



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD PROGRAM & EVALUATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Baerg-Chair, Rodney Wilson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Gamaliel Aguilar, Sandra Bullard, Jeffery Hudson-Covolo

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Chair Randy Baerg called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chair Randy Baerg called for public comment. No public comments were received.
3. **CONSENT ITEMS:**

- a. Program & Evaluation Committee Meeting Minutes
Approve February 2, 2026, Program & Evaluation Committee Minutes

A quorum was not met; no action was taken.

4. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION:**

- a. Review State and Local Performance and Expenditure Reports Card (PY 25-26 July-February) WIOA Youth Services by Subrecipient

WIB staff provided an overview of the following items:

- i. Performance and expenditures for Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for West Region-Visalia, Balance of County
- ii. Performance and expenditures Proteus, Inc. for East Region-Porterville, Balance of County

- b. Review State and Local Performance and Expenditure Report Card PY 25-26 July-February) WIOA Career Services by Subrecipient.

WIB staff provided an overview of the following items:

- i. Performance and expenditures for Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for West Region-Visalia, Tulare and rural communities
- ii. Performance and expenditures for Proteus, Inc. for East Region-Porterville, Dinuba, and rural communities

c. Review Mid-Year Assessment of PY 2025-2026 WIOA Title Career & Youth Services Contracts

i. Strategies Driving Success

Staff highlighted:

- Increased enrollments, including dislocated workers,
- Successful youth transitions to OJT
- Growth in subsidized employment and scholarships
- Improved CalJOBS referrals
- Stronger team coordination
- Increased employer engagement and service access, including rural areas.

ii. Challenges-Priorities for Growth

Staff identified:

- Inconsistent policy application
- Limited work-based training for adults and dislocated workers
- Data entry issues impacting performance outcomes
- Communication gaps across teams
- Limited rural services and employer engagement
- Need for stronger alignment between youth and career services.

d. Review Proposed Shifts for PY 2026-2027 WIOA Contract Redesign

i. Training the Trainer for Leaders

Proposal to strengthen leadership capacity, improve training consistency, and reinforce understanding of policies and data entry requirements.

ii. Structured Communication System

Proposal to implement a structured communication process with designated leads to ensure timely and consistent sharing of information.

iii. Rural Service Strategies

Proposal to enhance rural services through clarified roles, increased training, expanded service hours, and strengthened partnerships.

iv. Service Delivery Gaps

Staff identified gaps in work-based training for Adults and Dislocated Workers and proposed:

- Expanding work-based training
- Standardizing work-readiness curriculum
- Reducing policy barriers.

5. **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURN:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Randy Baerg at 9:30 a.m.