

## February 23, 2021

### Virtual [WebEx] Meeting

Join By Phone: 1-415-655-0003

Meeting Number Access Code: 145 716 1438

10:00AM-12:00PM

### CWI Board Meeting

10:00 a.m.	Welcome, Opening Remarks
10:05 a.m.	State of the State Updates
11:00 a.m.	Corrections + Job Center Partnerships
11:50 a.m.	Looking Forward
12:00 p.m.	Adjournment

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**Governor's Council on Workforce Investment**

**CWI Board WebEx Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

**10:00AM-12:00PM**

**Participant Call-In Number: 1-415-655-0003**

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**AGENDA**

- I. Welcome, Opening Remarks
  - a. CWI Chair Mark Tyler
  
- II. State of the State Updates
  - a. Secretary's Office
    - i. DWD Secretary-designee Amy Pechacek introduction
  - b. State of the State Budget Address Briefing
    - i. DWD Asst. Dep. Secretary Danielle Williams
  
- III. Special Topic Presentation + Discussion
  - a. Job Centers + Corrections Partnerships
    - i. Dr. Silvia Jackson, Becky Kikkert
  
- IV. Other Business
  - a. Next CWI Board Meeting – **May 18, 2021**
  - b. Approval of the 11.17.2020 Meeting Minutes – **ACTION REQUIRED**
  - c. Looking Forward
    - i. Working Group Projects
    - ii. 2022-2026 Strategic Plan
    - iii. CWI Staffing Updates
  - d. Public Comment
  
- V. Closing Remarks
  
- VI. Adjournment

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**Governor's Council on Workforce Investment  
Virtual Board Meeting (WebEx)  
Joining By Phone: 1-415-655-0003  
Meeting Number Access Code: 145 216 3468  
Meeting Password: 8u6Hjz9yyG6  
Tuesday, November 17, 2020  
9:00AM-12:00PM**

***DRAFT MEETING MINUTES, PENDING OFFICIAL APPROVAL***

**Members Present:** Mark Tyler, Rolf Wegenke, Pravin Raikar, Carolyn S Taylor, Terrance McGowan; Sachin Shivaram; Janis Ringhand; Nora R Schmidt; Sara Rogers; Citlali M, Dr. Morna Foy; Corey Zetts; Colleen McCabe; Dan Mella; Andrew Disch; Cedric Ellis; David Brukart; Michele Erikson; Delora Newton; Kathi Seifert; Sharon Wendt; Sheila Briggs; Scott Bertschinger; Sen Andre Jacque; Betsey Harries; Becky Bartoszek; Alan Petelinsek; BJ Dernbach; Rep. Warren Petyrk; Ann Franz; Rodney Ferguson; Katrina Shankland.

**Others Present:** Governor Tony Evers; Bruce Palzkill; Michele Carter; Annette Meudt; Bryan Albrecht, Anny Maribel Sosa; Steve Laesch; Margaret McMahon; Bryan Huebsch; Danielle Williams; Nik Rettinger; Tommy Thompson; Laura Dunek; Kimberly Will; Layla Merrifield, Tierney Gill.

I. Welcome, Opening Remarks, Day's Overview  
a. CWI Chair Mark Tyler

Chair Tyler welcomed everyone to the meeting, introduced Governor Evers, and thanked him for attending the CWI's meeting and being involved in their work.

II. Special Guest Address  
a. Governor Tony Evers

Governor Evers thanked Chair Tyler for his work leading the Council, and for inviting him to participate. He shared he was grateful for the Council's budget recommendations, and their ongoing work in the workforce space, as he was a former member of the Board and knew the sorts of problems they faced. Governor Evers touched on how different the process looked this year with COVID and would look different in the eventual post-COVID world, but that he was pleased that this group was connecting the dots between workforce and workforce development, and recognized higher education's commitment and input. He thanked the Board for the work they were doing to help with current and future workforce needs.

III. Public Records Training  
a. Pam McGillivray, DWD Chief Legal Counsel

Pam provided training to members on public records, working from the premise that work being done in government should be open to the public. She covered open meetings requirements, public postings,

walking quorums, among other topics, and encouraged members to reach out if they had any compliance questions.

#### IV. Higher Education Presentations

##### a. UW System

i. Interim President Tommy Thompson

ii. VP of Academic/Student Affairs Anny Morrobel-Sosa

Tommy thanked the Council for their work and the direction they were headed in, and Chair Tyler for his leadership of the body as well as the invite to speak. He introduced Anny, and the two jointly presented on efforts to change and transform the UW System into one which is more nimble, responsive, and efficient, including their robust testing rollout and safety protocol implementation which the federal government planned to observe and potentially implement; the Wisconsin Tuition Promise program to provide free tuition to families making less than \$60,000; plans to reach the 815,000 Wisconsinites who had not completed their degrees; addressing declining enrollment problems, demographic shifts, and consolidation/accreditation proposals; partnerships with the Department of Corrections; and a future freshwater collaboration initiative.

##### b. WTCS

i. WTCS President Morna Foy

Morna introduced her partners, who jointly shared information with the Board about how the tech college system is currently contributing to the education and training of the workforce. Bryan and John also shared best practice examples from different regions across the state, including partnerships with Corrections; employers offering training on-site; growth in hybrid and remote service delivery; program alums returning to assist in training new classes of apprentices, and more. WTCS expressed appreciation in being asked for input during the budget process, and shared that they would continue to seek funding for helping reach additional students and provide them the resources they needed to be successful along their career pathways.

ii. Gateway Tech College President Bryan Albrecht

iii. Wisconsin Indianhead College President John Will

##### c. WIACU

i. President Rolf Wegenke

Rolf presented on "What You Don't Know About Wisconsin's Private Colleges", sharing employment sector data, training and education goals including that of 60% of Wisconsinites having some post-secondary degree, challenges facing the tech sector, upcoming budget requests, and work around credit transfer opportunities so that the educational institutions aren't stealing from each other's labor base.

#### V. Discussion on Higher Education Presentation

Members thanked the presenters for their breadth of information and knowledge. Questions and follow-up discussion centered on credit transfer programs between 2-and 4- year degrees; how the tech college system was pivoting to meet the immediate needs of their communities; employers offering classes on site instead of splitting time between the classroom and the workplace; and ongoing work around stackable credentials, expanding the workforce pipeline instead of competing for the same students.

#### VI. BREAK

#### VII. Working Group Report Outs

##### a. Executive Committee

i. Submission of Recommendations, Press Release

Chair Tyler shared that he was happy to have the attention of the Governor with the budget recommendations, and that that was the first time in recent memory he could recall that the CWI was actually able to provide them. He briefly mentioned the request from the Legislative Council that DWD was helping to work on, and that he was looking forward to seeing what the outcome would be going forward.

b. Growing Workforce Opportunities

Kathi provided a brief overview of her working group's meeting, Pravin's ideas on potential asset mapping and cohort projects, and provided him an opportunity to share some information with the Board. Pravin provided history and context on the ongoing struggle to attract talent to Wisconsin especially in the face of COVID, and the need for alternative solutions such as telecommuting and remote work to connect demand to an upskilled workforce. Bruce shared about upcoming working group meetings discussing asset mapping, critical sector identification, and ongoing upskilling efforts to help Wisconsin's workforce meet the challenges of today and tomorrow. Kathi thanked Pravin for his expertise in this arena, his interest in the topic, and his passion for assisting the group with it.

c. WIOA – WIOA Annual Report - **ACTION REQUIRED**

Sachin turned the discussion over to Bruce, who shared about the WIOA working group meeting the previous week, and provided an overview of the WIOA Annual Plan. The WIOA working group was bringing the Plan to the Board today for a vote of approval before submitting it to DOL. Chair Tyler expressed his appreciation for WIOA working group's oversight of fed monies to support workforce programs, and that he was glad to see Wisconsin having success performing on all their metrics. The Plan was put to a vote, unanimous approval.

VIII. Looking Forward – CWI Chair Mark Tyler

a. Next Meeting – February 16, 2021

b. Other Business

i. Approval of the 8.18.2020 CWI Meeting Minutes – **ACTION REQUIRED**

The minutes were approved as submitted.

ii. Proposed 2021 CWI Meeting Dates

1. February 16, 2021
2. May 18, 2021
3. August 17, 2021
4. November 16, 2021

c. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

d. Closing Remarks

e. Adjournment

Chair Tyler thanked everyone for their work, and for a productive and informative meeting before adjourning.

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