



# WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS MIDDLE RIO GRANDE

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## Agenda

### Workforce Solutions Middle Rio Grande In-person Board Meeting

Thursday, August 10, 2023 @ 5:30 PM

Workforce Solutions – Board Room – Second Floor  
216 West Main Street  
Uvalde, Texas 78801

Board of Directors  
Executive  
Committee

Laura Lopez  
Chairperson  
Private Sector

Mario Obregon  
Vice Chairperson  
Private Sector

Alfredo Hesles  
Secretary  
Private Sector

Arturo Sanchez, Jr.  
Treasurer  
Labor

Rodrigo Jaime  
Parliamentarian  
Private Sector

Elizabeth Sifuentes  
Executive Director

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- I. Call Meeting to Order.
- II. Invocation
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Introduction of guests
- V. Approve June 8, 2023 Minutes.
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business

**Special Presentation: The Rising Star Initiatives (Marisa Cervantes, Director of Child Care Services/Assessor; Julie Hernandez, Mentor; and Rachel Martinez, Child Care Business Services Specialist)**

**A. Executive Committee (Laura Lopez, Board Chairperson/Myrta Garcia, Child Care Committee Chair)  
Action Item(s):**

1. Joint Committee Recommendation for four (4) year Contract Award to Top Bidder Responding to Child Care Services Request for Proposals (RFP) with term period beginning October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027, subject to annual evaluation and extension and available funding.

2. Ratification of Workforce Solutions Middle Rio Grande Board Audit completed by Garza/Gonzales & Associates CPA firm for FY 2022 Audit (October 1, 2021-September 30, 2022).
3. Review and approval of Department of Veteran Affairs, NW San Antonio Vet Center #729 and Workforce Solutions Middle Rio Grande Board.

**Information Items:**

1. Update on Board Membership
2. Child Care Report –
  - a. Child Care Report
    - Contractor (MRGDC) YTD Enrollment
    - Waitlist Update
    - Child Care Enrollment Comparison Chart – June 2023
    - Monthly Childcare Reimbursement Chart – June 2023
  - b. Information on Allocation for FY' 24
  - c. Update on Corrective Action Plan (CAP)
  - d. Update of Board Child Care Support staff.

**B. Finance and Audit Committee (Arturo Sanchez, Jr.)**

**Action Items:**

1. Review and approve of June 30, 2023 WFSMRGB Fiscal Agent Expenditure Report and approve proposed tentative special work sessions with the Executive Committee and the Finance and Audit Committee mid-August through mid-September 2023.
2. Review and Approve New Contracts – for a total of \$13,446,118.
  - a. Child Care Provider Services (5104) – May 31, 2023 through December 31, 2024 – for a total of \$10,280,067.
  - b. CCDF Quality Improvement Act (5252) – May 31, 2023 through October 31, 2024 for a total of \$538,863.
  - c. Rapid Response Grant (5414) – July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 for a total of \$16,803.
  - d. Summer Earn and Learn Grant (SEAL) (5438) – October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023 in new funding of \$533,291.
  - e. WIOA Adult Grant (6122) - July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 for a total of \$741,013.
  - f. WIOA Youth Grant (6223) – July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 for a total of \$798,812.

- g. WIOA Dislocated Worker (6323) – July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 for a total of \$537,269.

**Information Items:**

None

**C. Monitoring and Oversight Committee (Juan Martinez)**

**Action Items:**

1. Approval of status of Contractor and Workforce Solutions Middle Rio Grande Team Performance Report.
2. Workforce Program Board Monitoring Reports
  - a. SNAP – April and May 2023.
  - b. Choices – April and May 2023.
  - c. WIOA – April and May 2023.
  - d. Child Care – May and June 2023.
3. Corrective Action Plans
  - a. WIOA Employed/Enrolled Q2 – Youth
  - b. WIOA Credential Rate – Youth
  - c. Measurable Skills Gains – Youth
  - d. Credential Rate C&T Participants
  - e. Employed/Enrolled Q2-Q4 C&T
3. Equal Opportunity Policies
  - a. Admin01 - Change 1 Equal Opportunity (EO) Policies and Procedures
  - b. Admin05 – Equal Opportunity (EO) Monitoring Policy
  - c. Admin06 – Babel Notice
  - d. Admin07 – Alternative Dispute Resolution
  - e. ALL13 – Limited English Proficiency
  - f. ALL14 – Priority of Service
4. Risk Assessment Sept 2022 – July 2023

**Information Items:**

1. June 2023 VOS Greeter Report.
2. Student HireAbility Navigator Report.
3. Education Outreach Specialist Reports Del Rio & Eagle Pass

**D. Economic Development Committee (Laura Lopez)**

**Action Items:**

1. Approve the topics on an agenda with recommended speakers, establish tentative dates and a venue for the 1<sup>st</sup> Middle Rio Grande Workforce Board Economic Development Summit

**Information Items:**

1. Middle Rio Labor Local Area Unemployment Statistics Report.

2. Labor Market Information for Middle Rio Grande.

**E. MRGDC Executive Director's Report – Nick Gallegos.**

**F. WFSMRG Executive Director's Report – Elizabeth Sifuentes.**

**G. Other Business**

**VIII. Adjourn**

**Note: Committee Meeting Schedule and Agendas at the end of packet.**

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- c) Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
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