

Business Employment Skills Team, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2025

The Business Employment Skills Team, Inc. Board of Director's Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Co-Chair James Duffy. Roll call was taken.

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Daisha Boehm	X		Keane Hudson	X	
Gary Camarano	X		Michael McEmery	X	
James Duffy	X		Kerwin Paris		X
Kathy Enbom	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Chris Flikkema	X		Jamey Sulser	Proxy	

PROXIES: Jamey Sulser to Wayne Reising

OTHERS PRESENT: Carrie Folken, Jo Ann Johnson, Jessica Green

Approval of Minutes

Wayne Reising motioned to approve the June 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Keane Hudson. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
Daisha Boehm	X		Keane Hudson	X	
Gary Camarano	X		Michael McEmery	X	
James Duffy	X		Kerwin Paris		
Kathy Enbom	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Chris Flikkema	X		Jamey Sulser	X	

Motion carried.

Public Comments

None

Executive Director Report

Carrie informed members that President Donald Trump signed Executive Orders aimed at ending cashless bail policies. She said that these orders could threaten federal funding to States that have eliminated cash bail. Carrie told members that she has a meeting scheduled for September 8 to discuss this matter, but she wanted to give members a heads up in case they heard it through the news media. Carrie shared with members that in 2022, the State of Illinois received \$42.6 billion dollars in federal dollars, which is 36.3% of their general revenue.

Carrie referred members to the Fourth Quarter Performance Report (Page 13) and the Year-to-Date Manager's Report (Page 14) that were included with the meeting materials. She said that the Quarterly Performance Reports are usually included with the meeting materials, but she included the Year-to-Date Manager's Report as it reflects that BEST, Inc. has either exceeded or met each of the Performance

Measures. Carrie said that staff will be negotiating Performance Measures for PY 25/PY 26 relatively soon. Carrie also pointed out that with the Statistical Adjustment Model our performance is good.

Referring to the NCI Works Customer Satisfaction Survey (Page 17), Carrie explained that this is a new survey that came out of the One Stop Partner Committee to assess the services being offered through the One Stop System. She said that starting on April 1 each Partner was given a poster and palm cards that contained a QR Code. Staff from each of the One Stop Partners, Carrie said, are asked to give this information to their customers asking them to log on to the survey and complete it. Carrie reviewed some of the results of the survey that were included with the meeting materials.

Finance Director Report

Jessica provided the Finance Director Report. She told members that BEST, Inc. received the PY 25 WIOA Grant last week and those funds are available to us. All other grants have not been executed yet.

Gary Camarano motioned to approve the Fiscal Reports ending June 2025. Motion was seconded by Wayne Reising. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
Daisha Boehm	X		Keane Hudson	X	
Gary Camarano	X		Michael McEmery	X	
James Duffy	X		Kerwin Paris		
Kathy Enbom	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Chris Flikkema	X		Jamey Sulser	X	

Motion carried.

Business Meeting

None

Other Business

Jim informed members that the next meeting will be on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

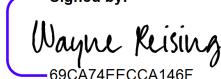
Adjournment

With there being no further business, Chair Duffy adjourned the meeting until October 27, 2025. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Jo Ann Johnson

Approved by:

Signed by:

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Wayne Reising for
Jamey Sulser, Secretary