

**Lorain County
Workforce Area #4
Workforce Development Board Meeting
August 28, 2025 | 9:00 a.m.
Agenda**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approve Past Meeting Minutes

Guest Speaker: Chief Fiscal Officer, Shawn Roeder

WDB Chairperson Report

- Acknowledgement of Chris Brown's resignation from the Board to accept a position with the state of Ohio.
- Updates on the New Growth Partnership.
- **Workforce Development Update:** Discussion on the continued progress of workforce initiatives, including developments at the Lorain County mega-site and collaboration with Lorain County Community College and JVS.
- **Strategic Planning and Metrics:** Report on the implementation of a "community scoreboard" to track key metrics such as certificates, degrees, and job placements, as discussed with Lt. Governor Tressel.
- **Financial Update:** Overview of the impact of the **9% budget cut** and strategies for resource allocation and cost optimization.

Workforce Development Agency -Director's Update

- **Local & Regional Plan Updates:**
- **Electronic Files Transition:** Update on the progress of transitioning to electronic files and records, and the timeline for completion by the 2026 deadline.
- **Youth Workforce Initiatives:** Report on efforts to engage out-of-school youth, including new partnerships with school superintendents and juvenile detention centers.
- **JVS and Institutional Collaboration:** Progress report on improving collaboration with JVS and other educational institutions to align with county-wide workforce goals
- **Lorain County Community College:** Updates on Bridges to Success Program.

Partner Updates /Board Discussions

Public Comments

Adjournment

Next Meeting - November 20, 2025