

AREA 15 Council of Governments Meeting

Date: November 3rd, 2025, **Time:** 12:00pm-2:00pm **Location:** Lori's Restaurant, Caldwell Ohio

Commissioner Allen Fraley, COG Chair, **Commissioner Cecil Mayle**, COG Vice-Chair
Janell Comstock, Executive Director

Agenda:

The pledge of allegiance to the flag

Welcome - introductions made by everyone in attendance.

Draft meeting minutes (handout #1) *motion

Consent agenda (sent out by email prior to meeting; not copied for meeting) *motion

- Area 15 WIOA & CCMEP PY23 Adjusted Annual Performance Report
- Area 15 WIOA & CCMEP PY24 Unadjusted Qtr4 Performance Report
- One-stop counts July-September 2025
- One-stop report July-September 2025
- Combined county report July-September 2025
- GRIT and DOL WORC report July-September 2025
- UI report July-September 2025

Financials *motion

- OVER Revised Budget and Expenditures Report-(**handout #2**)
- County WIOA Allocations Report-(**handout #3**)
- Grant Budget Reports-(**handout #4**)
- Accept the State Special Project award of \$100,000.00

Executive director's reports and updates

- Incumbent Worker Training- (**handout #5**)

Workforce Development Board Reports:

- Report on Workforce Development Board Meeting
- Recommendations from Workforce Development Board

Strategic discussion/Grants

- Government Shutdown and Implications
- Tri State ARC Arise Grant: Apprenticeship Summit November 7th, 2025
- POWER OU Upward Mobility Grant Partnership
- Ohio to Work Connectors Grant

Action items and approvals

- OVER Staff update: ***motion**
 - Janell Comstock-Executive Director, \$36.00 (exempt)
 - Amber Peck, Fiscal Manager, Review and Evaluation submitted for a 90day raise, new hourly rate \$25.00 (exempt)
 - Hiring of Unemployment Personnel
 - Washington County Unemployment Customer Service Rep-Cheri Colvin, \$17.50
 - Monroe County Unemployment Customer Service Rep -Jayme Stiver, \$17.50
 - Noble County Unemployment Customer Service Rep -Amanda Spencer, \$17.50
- Health Insurance: ***motion**
 - Health Insurance Increase (**handout #6**)
- Policies Update: (**handout #7**) ***motion**
 - Government Shutdown Contingency Plan
 - Cybersecurity Policy
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Partner spotlight

County Partner Updates

Items for next meeting:

- Annual Growing Workforce in Southeast Ohio Event, with Participant Awards Banquet

Future meeting dates: (These dates and times are subject to change based on COG Discussions and Needs)

February 9th, 2026 @12:00pm, Location TBD; May 11th, 2026 @12:00pm Location TBD; August 10th, 2026 @12:00pm, Location TBD; November 9th, 2026 @12:00pm, Location TBD

Adjournment