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AGENDA

Sacramento Works, Inc. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Regular Meeting

Thursday September 11, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

925 Del Paso Boulevard, Suite 100, Board Room,
Sacramento, CA 95815

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

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ROLL CALL	
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The next meeting will be held **Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 4:00 p.m., in-person.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Lisa Clawson, Kim Gusman, Anita Maldonado, Ron Ellis, David Gordon, Jamey Nye

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 Lisa Clawson (Chair), Kim Gusman (Vice Chair), and
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**SACRAMENTO WORKS BOARD
MEETING ATTENDANCE
FY 2024-2025**

(X-present; A-absent; *special meeting)

BOARD MEMBER	Represented Sector	9/25 2024	11/27 2024	1/22 2025	3/26 2025	5/28 2025	7/23 2025	# of meetings attended
Crystal Bethke	Economic Development	X		A	X	X		3
Lisa Clawson	Private Business	X		A	X	A		2
Ronnie L. Cobb	Private Business			X	A	X		2
Ronald Ellis	Private Business	X		X	X	X		4
David Gordon	Adult Education	X		X	A	X		3
Kim Gusman	Private Business	X		X	X	A		3
Vivian Hernandez-Obaldia	Vocational Rehabilitation	X		X	A	X		3
Lynn Hosokawa	Private Business	X		X	X	X		4
Michael Jasso	Economic Development	A		X	A	A		1
Frank Louie	Private Business	X		A	A	X		2
Anita Maldonado	Other	X		X	X	X		4
Jamey Nye	Higher Education	A		X	X	X		3
Johnny Perez	Private Business	A		X	A	A		1
Karl Pineo	Labor	A		A	A	A		0
Jeff Richard	Wagner-Peyser	X		X	X	X		4

Laurie Rodriguez	Private Business	X		X	X	X		4
Randy Rojas	Labor	X		X	A	X		3
Jennifer Saetern	Other	X		X	X	X		4
Fabrizio Sasso	Labor	X		X	A	X		3
Shelly Valenton	Private Business	X		X	X	X		4
May-Va Vang	Labor/Workforce					X		1
Kristin Gibbons	Other							
Sara Miles	Labor	A						

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Fabrizio Sasso	Labor							
Shelly Valenton	Private Business							
May-Va Vang	Labor/Workforce							

MINUTES/SYNOPSIS

Sacramento Works, Inc. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Regular Meeting

Thursday July 10, 2025, 4:00 p.m.
925 Del Paso Boulevard, Suite 100, Board Room,
Sacramento, CA 95815

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL

Ms. Clawson called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. The roll was called; quorum was achieved.

Members Present:

Lisa Clawson, Ron Ellis, David Gordon, Jamey Nye, Anita Maldonado

Member(s) Absent: Kim Gusman

Others Present:

Roy Kim, Lauren Mechals, William Walker, Phil Cunningham, May-Va Vang (*arrived at 4:05 a.m.*)

I. CONSENT ITEM:

A. Approval of Minutes of May 8, 2025, Regular Committee Meeting

The minutes were reviewed; there were no corrections.

Moved/Ellis, second/Nye, to approve the minutes of May 8, 2025, Regular Committee Meeting.

Roll call vote:

Aye: 5 (Clawson, Ellis, Gordon, Nye, Maldonado)

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Absent: 1 (Gusman)

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. July 23, 2025, Sacramento Works Board Agenda

Ms. Clawson reviewed the draft agenda for the Sacramento Works, Inc. Board meeting scheduled for July 23, 2025.

She asked the Committee members and support staff whether the meeting should be canceled. Mr. Kim advised that while the Sacramento Works Employer Outreach Committee had recently approved two items, they are both ratifications that the Board can address at a future meeting.

Moved/Gordon, second/Ellis to approve the cancellation of the Sacramento Works, Inc. Board meeting on July 23, 2025.

III. INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. Board Membership Updates: No questions

IV. STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Walker advised that Blue Diamonds Almonds Company is relocating from the Sacramento area and laying off its employees in phases. Their headquarters will remain in the area.

Ms. Mechals informed the Committee that the Youth Committee will hold its next meeting on July 16, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at Goodwill Industries' location.

Mr. Kim introduced Ms. May-Va Vang, the newest member of the Sacramento Works, Inc. Board.

He also shared that SETA is actively monitoring developments regarding the federal budget. Mr. Kim emphasized that funding allocations for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) have been received and show significant increases: Adult and Youth funding is up by 16%, while funding for Dislocated Workers has increased by 30%. All the Youth providers and job centers' funding was extended.

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) and Refugee Social Services programs, which SETA administers, continued to be proposed for elimination.

Mr. Kim noted that any proposed reductions will not have an immediate impact on the Agency.

Additionally, Mr. Kim advised that SETA signed a contract for a James Irvine Foundation grant that was recently awarded and is in the process of accessing the funds. He encouraged members to apply to become a member of the Cross-Advisory Board, one of the grant proposal initiatives, when recruitment begins.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

VI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Note: The minutes reflect the actual progression of the meeting.

AGENDA

Sacramento Employment and Training Agency SACRAMENTO WORKS, INC. BOARD Regular Meeting

Wednesday September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

925 Del Paso Boulevard, Suite 100, Board Room,
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Introduction of New Members

I. CONSENT ITEM:

- A. Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Ratification of Employer Outreach Committee (EOC) Budget, Program Year 2025-2026 (William Walker)
- B. Ratification of the Extension of the Agreement with EMRL for EOC Publicity/Public Relations Services (William Walker)
- C. Approval of the Appointment of Youth Voice Committee Member (Lauren Mechals)
- D. Approval to Transfer Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Dislocated Worker Funds to Adult Funds, Program Year (PY) 2025-26, and Authorize Staff to Submit a Request to the State of California, Employment Development Department (EDD) (Michelle O'Camb)
- E. Board Members Engagement on Committees, Committee Structure and Chair Assignments (Lisa Clawson)

III. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- A. 2nd Quarter Strategic Plan Report (Anita Maldonado)
- B. Dislocated Worker Report (William Walker)
- C. Employer Recruitment Activity Report (William Walker)
- D. Unemployment Update/Press Release from the Employment Development Department (Cara Welch)
- E. Committee Updates:
 - ✓ Youth Committee (David Gordon)
 - ✓ Planning/Oversight Committee (Jamey Nye)
 - ✓ Employer Outreach Committee (Ron Ellis)
- F. SETA Governing Board Agenda

IV. OTHER REPORTS:

- A. Chair
- B. Members of the Board
- C. Counsel
- D. Deputy Director
- E. Staff
- F. Public Participation

V. ADJOURNMENT

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SACRAMENTO WORKS, INC. BOARD

Board member	Sector Represented	Committee
Crystal Bethke Director of Economic Development	<u>Economic Development</u> County of Sacramento	Represented at Employer Outreach
Lisa Clawson Human Resources Leader	<u>Private Business</u> Kaiser Permanente	Planning, Executive, Youth
Ronnie Cobb Director of Employee Relations	<u>Private Business</u> SearchPros Staffing	Employer Outreach
Ronald J. Ellis Managing Director/Owner	<u>Private Business</u> 2SS.com LLC	Employer Outreach, Executive
David W. Gordon Superintendent	<u>Adult Education</u> Sacramento County Office of Education	Youth, Executive
Vivian Hernandez-Obaldia Regional Director	<u>Vocational Rehabilitation</u> <u>California Department of Rehabilitation</u>	Represented at Employer Outreach
Kim Gusman President	<u>Private Business</u> <u>California Employers Association</u>	Executive
Lynn Hosokawa HR Manager	<u>Private Business</u> Villara Corporation	Employer Outreach
Michael Jasso Assistant City Manager	<u>Economic Development</u> City of Sacramento	Represented at Employer Outreach, Planning
Frank A. Louie Chief Operating Officer	<u>Private Business</u> Sacramento Asian Chamber of Commerce	Planning
Anita Maldonado Executive Director	<u>Other</u> <u>Sacramento Employment and Training Agency</u>	Executive
Jamey Nye Deputy Chancellor	<u>Higher Education</u> Los Rios Community College District	Planning, Executive
Johnny Perez Director of Client Services	<u>Private Business</u> Clutch	Youth
Karl Pineo Business Manager, Financial Secretary, Treasurer	<u>Labor</u> Ironworkers Local 118, JATC Member	Planning
Jeff Richard Deputy Division Chief	<u>Wagner-Peyser</u> Employment Development Department	Employer Outreach

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John Randall “Randy” Rojas Business Representative	<u>Labor</u> District Council 16 of Northern CA and Nevada	Planning
Jennifer Saetern Human Services Division Manager	<u>Other</u> County Department of Human Assistance	
Fabrizio Sasso Executive Director	<u>Labor</u> Sacramento Central Labor Council	
Shelly Valenton Deputy General Manager/CEO	<u>Private Business</u> Sacramento Regional Transit	Planning
May-Va Vang Business Engagement Manager	<u>Labor/Workforce</u> Sacramento Job Corps Center	Represented at Employer Outreach

COMMITTEES OVERVIEW

Board/Committee Name	Description	Composition	Terms	Meeting Dates
Sacramento Works Executive Committee	Consists of the Sacramento Works Board leadership. Develops policies and operational procedures of the Sacramento Works Board.	7 Members: Chair Vice Chair Secretary/Treasurer 3 Subcommittee Chairs 1 At-Large Member appointed by the Chair and confirmed by the SWB (All members must be SWB members) There are currently 6 members due to one member holding Secretary/Treasurer and Other position.	No time limit as long as they are members of the SWB, hold an office, or appointed At-Large Member.	Every other month, 2nd Thursday at 4 p.m. Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov

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Sacramento Works Youth Committee (YC)	<p>The Sacramento Works, Inc. Board has an active federally mandated Youth Committee which is responsible for WIOA youth funds for Sacramento County.</p> <p>YC coordinates and recommends to the Board the strategic planning process for youth employment programs. It recommends the process to select youth providers and makes funding recommendations. The YC conducts oversight and evaluation of youth providers, and coordinates with youth education and workforce development initiatives in the region.</p>	<p>Members of the YC are appointed by the SWB and SETA Governing Board. Members of YC may, but are not required to be members of the SWB.</p> <p>There are currently 13 voting members.</p>	No time limit, annual chair rotation.	<p>Every other month, 2nd Thursday at 2:45 p.m.</p> <p>Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov</p>
Sacramento Works Planning/Oversight Committee (POC)	<p>POC coordinates WIOA planning process; identifies critical industries and occupations in the region; provides a forum for identifying and responding to community issues, as well as developing and recommending career pathways; coordinates oversight and evaluation of the Job Center System; develops partnerships and MOUs for the Job Center System.</p>	<p>Members of POC shall be appointed by the Committee Chair in such number as the Committee Chair deems advisable. Members of POC may but are not required to be members of the SWB.</p> <p>There are currently 8 members.</p>	No time limit, annual chair rotation.	<p>Every other month, 3rd Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov</p>

Board/Committee Name	Description	Composition	Terms	Meeting Dates
Sacramento Works Employer Outreach Committee (EOC)	<p>EOC identifies the needs of local employers, including demand occupations, skill gaps, and training needs. Increases employer involvement and satisfaction. Increases visibility in the business community. Develops a public relations plan to reach out to employers. Quantifies and promotes success of employer involvement. Develops strategic alliances with business associations. Supports efforts to coordinate employer symposiums regionally.</p>	<p>Members of EOC shall be appointed by the Committee Chair in such number as the Committee Chair deems advisable. Members of EOC may, but are not required to be members of the SWB.</p> <p>There are currently 12 members.</p>	<p>No time limit, annual chair rotation.</p>	<p>Quarterly, 2nd Tuesday at 3 p.m. Jan, Apr, July, Oct</p>