

MINUTES



Executive Standing Committee

Monday, September 15, 2025

1:30 pm

Mid-Region Council of Governments
809 Copper Ave. NW, Albuquerque, N M
Hybrid

Call to Order – 1:47 pm – Vaadra Chavez, Chair-Elect

Member

- **Karla Causey**, Treasurer, Finance Standing Committee Chair
- **Vaadra Chavez**, Chair-Elect, Operations Standing Committee Chair
- **Gabriel Esparza**, Youth Standing Committee Chair
- NP - Antoinette Holmes**, Disability Standing Committee Chair
- **Honorable Gregg Hull**, CEO
- **John Mierzwa**, Past -Chair
- NP - Debbie Ortiz**, Torrance County Rep.
- NP - Stacy Sacco**, Chair
- **Susan Yasenka**, Valencia County Rep
- Vacant**, Bernalillo County Rep.
- Vacant**, Sandoval County Rep.

• <i>In-Person</i>	○ <i>Virtual</i>	<i>NP – Not Present</i>
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Approval of Monday, September 15, 2025 Agenda

- Ms. Vaadra Chavez, Chair-Elect, presented the September 15, 2025, Agenda:
“Without objection, I move that the September 15th, 2025 WCCNM Agenda be approved.
Since, there is no objection the September 15th, 2025 WCCNM Agenda is approved.”

Tab 1: Approval of WCCNM Minutes for September 16, 2024

- Ms. Vaadra Chavez, Chair-Elect, presented the September 16th, 2024, Minutes
“Without objection, I move that the September 16th, 2024, Minutes be approved.
Since, there is no objection the September 16th, 2024, Minutes is approved.”

ACTION ITEMS

Tab 2

Approval of America’s Job Centers Recertifications

By: Tawnya Rowland, Program Manager

- Ms. Rowland presented the American’s Job Centers Recertification.
- WCCNN is required to certify the one-stop centers at least once every three years. It's a requirement for continued infrastructure funding for the centers. and the one-stop delivery system as a whole.
- In your packet. You have a one-stop recertification application for each one of the four America's Job Center's locations. Each one of them is an attempt to measure the effectiveness, physical and programmatic accessibility, and continuous quality improvement offered from each one of the four centers.
- Then center in Albuquerque is the comprehensive one-stop, and then the other three, Sandoval, Valentine, and Torrance, are the affiliate centers, Offering all of the services that are available within the Central Region.
- Each application gives you an overview of the one-stop partners, their contact information, what their participation looks like, whether they're co-located within the America's Job Center, or if they're off-site. Talks about number of full-time equivalent staff, whether there's MOUs in place. And it provides, a description of each one of the partners.

No questions

Motion: Gregg Hull

Second: John Mierzwa

No Discussion

Action: Passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

	Yes In- Person/Virtual	No In- Person/Virtual	Abstain In- Person/Virtual
Karla Causey	I		
Vaadra Chavez	I		
Gabriel Esparza	V		
Antoinette Holmes	NP		
Gregg Hull	V		
John Mierzwa	V		
Debbie Ortiz	NP		
Stacy Sacco	NP		
Susan Yasenka	V		

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Tab 5 **WIOA Updates –**

- Mr. Maritnez talked briefly about the budget. Not really sure what's going to happen, there are 15 days for the Congressional group has to come up with something in

order to fund the government. And, as far as WIOA is concerned, or for the board, we have funding till next June. Although, it can be pulled back.

- It would take presidential and congressional actions to do that, but it's not unreasonable to see if something like that would happen.
- He stated Gabriel Esparza created a great presentation for us during the Operations Committee, regarding Job Corps, and he will have a similar presentation, for the full board meeting, and we really appreciate it. the information you provided.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT

Public Comments – None

Adjournment – 1:58 pm

**Next Meeting: WCCNM Joint CEO Board/Executive Standing Committee,
November 17, 2025, 10:00 am**

*A more detailed account of the meeting and discussions are available for review at the MRCOG
offices at:
809 Copper NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102*

Approved at the XXXX

Stacy Sacco, WCCNM Chair-Elect

ATTEST:

Secretary

“Equal Opportunity Program”