

**Governor's State Workforce Development Board
July 31, 2025, Workforce Innovation Committee Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

Dr. Windsor Sherrill*, Chair
Ms. Susan H. Cohen
Col. Craig Currey
Dr. Tim Hardee
Mr. George Patrick "GP" McLeer, Jr.
Ms. Britt Vergnolle

Members Absent:

Mr. Jay Holloway
Ms. Felicia Johnson
Ms. Elaine Morgan
Mr. Tyler Servant
Sen. Ross Turner

Welcome and Opening RemarksDr. Windsor Sherrill, Committee Chair

Dr. Windsor Sherrill, Workforce Innovation Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

Dr. Sherrill welcomed new Committee members, Mayor GP McLeer, Jr. and Ms. Britt Vergnolle.

Approval of May 7, 2025, Meeting Minutes*Dr. Sherrill

Col. Craig Currey motioned to approve the May 7, 2025, meeting minutes. Ms. Susan Cohen seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved the meeting minutes.

SC Career Readiness Program Update..... Ms. Nina Staggars

To support the Innovation Committee's priorities to promote and develop the credential attainment goal for the SC Professional Skills Credential, awarded to jobseekers who successfully complete the WIN Learning Digital Skills and Essential Soft Skills assessment, Ms. Nina Staggars provided an overview of the SC Career Readiness Program. Launched in 2023 in partnership with WIN Learning, this program provides employers with credentials that validate employees' skills, streamlining the hiring process. It also provides jobseekers with a credential that showcases their abilities, making them more competitive in the job market.

Ms. Staggars explained the three (3) components of the SC Career Readiness Program:

- WIN Job Analysis, where independent contractors tour the work environment to help employers identify WIN Learning Work Ready Academic Skills, Digital Skills, and Essential Soft Skills needed by new and existing workers for job entry and advancement,
- WIN Courseware is available for jobseekers to learn the skills, and
- six (6) WIN Assessments and Credentials, Work Ready Math, Work Ready Reading, Work Ready Data, Digital Skills, Essential Soft Skills, and the custom solution, Professional Skills.

Discussion:

After the presentation, the Committee agreed to expand the scope of this priority so that instead of promoting and developing metrics for only the Professional Skills Credential, the Committee will promote and develop metrics for the SC Career Readiness Program in its entirety. It will analyze data during the Q3 meeting to set achievement goals.

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Other Business/Adjourn.....Dr. Sherrill

Dr. Sherrill encouraged committee members to participate in Workforce Development Month activities in September, a time to celebrate the SC Works system, including SC Workforce Professionals. Staff will communicate dates and locations of activities occurring in members' areas.

She also asked members to participate in choosing the [SC@Work](#): 2025 Photo Contest winner. DEW's Communication Department emailed SWDB members voting instructions. The voting period closes on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 11:59 pm.

Dr. Sherrill reminded members and guests that in place of the first-quarter's SWDB meeting, everyone is encouraged to attend the 2025 Workforce Development Symposium on September 17, 2025, at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Members were asked to reply to the communication from Staff or by emailing swdb@dew.sc.gov to be registered.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.