

ILLINOIS WORKFORCE INNOVATION BOARD

Bylaws

Synopsis of Changes

Following are the significant changes to the IWIB By-Laws as outlined by the Executive Committee and prepared for final review and approval by the IWIB at the February 25, 2016 meeting.

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Article IV - Membership

(A)(2) – Illinois Workforce Investment Act requires 2 members of the House of Representatives and 2 members of the Senate be appointed. It is expected that this will not change with updates to the Act.

(A)(3) – The board membership requirements have been updated to reflect the requirements of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) including a majority of business representation and minimum of twenty percent workforce (labor) representation. Also, the requirement for the Illinois Workforce Partnership representative be someone that is local board staff has been added. (These changes begin on page 1 and continue to page 4.)

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Article V - Officers

The Co-Chairs have been more specifically identified as being a business representative on the board AND the director of the state agency designated as the administrator of WIOA in Illinois.

Article VI - Staff Support

Staff support has been more specifically identified as individuals under the direction of the director of the state agency designated as administrator of WIOA in Illinois.

<u>Page 6</u> Article VII – Quorum

(F)(i) – Updated to indicate that a quorum shall consist of 40 percent of the membership of the Board AND at least 50 percent of those present being from business.

(H) – Attendance has been removed. While the board is not indicating attendance by its members is not important or is optional, there are many reasons for acceptable absence and the board does not want to be out of compliance with a provision of its By-Laws that might be jeopardized. The Executive Committee has asked that the staff to the board maintain a log of all membership attendance and identify individuals that may routinely be absent. As the normal appointment process to the board is occurring, those members unable to meet a consistent attendance to the board will be considered for replacement by new members.

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Article VIII – Committees

(A)(vi) – Addition of the requirement that all committees (and task forces) are subject to the Illinois Open Meetings Act (OMA) including the requirement to announce all regularly scheduled meetings and make them accessible to the general public. IWIB staff to the board will work with all committee/task force chairs to ensure compliance with OMA.

(B) – The Executive Committee, as adopted by the Board at its September 2015 meeting, has been added to the committees section of the By-Laws as indication it will be a permanent body with specific composition consisting primarily of business members and having specific duties as outline in these By-Laws.

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Article IX – Conflict of Interest

(B)(2) – To assure objective management and oversight, IWIB members are to identify any real or perceived conflict of interests. These new provision also require public disclose of such conflicts prior to discussion on the matter in addition to not voting on such matters. A member with a conflict may remain a part of the discussions.

Article X – Rules of Order

The IWIB will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order rather than the Sturgis Standard Cod of Parliamentary Procedures. Robert's Rules are more universally known and followed in the United States and many board members have indicated they are more familiar with them.