

MEETING OF THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

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1	Tuesday, May 6, 2025
2	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right. Good morning,
3	all. This meeting is called to order. Mr. Trobman, has anyone
4	signed up for public comment?
5	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you very much
6	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: The motion passes with the
7	exceptions noted. We'll take a short recess.
8	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right. This is Agenda
9	Item 9, funding for Chapter 133 Apprenticeship Training Program
10	for fiscal year 2026.
11	KERRY BALLAST: Good morning, Chairman
12	Daniel, Commissioner Treviño, Commissioner Esparza, and Mr.
13	Serna. For the record, Kerry Ballast, Workforce Development
14	Division. For your consideration today are the fiscal year 2026
15	planning estimates for the Texas Education Code Chapter 133
16	apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship training programs. Each
17	year the Texas Workforce Investment Council makes
18	recommendations regarding the Chapter 133 program. The fiscal
19	2026 recommendations and the funding amounts including a note
20	regarding general revenue amounts are listed in your notebook
21	materials. As required by TAC Rule 837.21, with the commission's
22	approval, staff will provide public notice of funding available
23	to support apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship training
24	programs for FY2026. This concludes my remarks. I'm happy to
25	answer any questions.

1	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any comments or questions?
2	COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.
3	COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No, chairman.
4	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?
5	COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
6	we approve fiscal year 2026 Texas Education Code Chapter 133
7	Apprenticeship Training Programs funding, planning estimates and
8	program parameters as described in the discussion paper and
9	presented today by staff.
10	COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.
11	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
12	seconded and the motion carries.
13	KERRY BALLAST: Thank you.
14	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you. Now, Jeff Peden
15	is sitting in Michael Britt's chair but he doesn't have a tie on
16	so I'm assuming you're not here, Jeff, to give a legislative
17	report.
18	JEFF PEDEN: No, sir.
19	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you. Is there is an
20	executive director's report?
21	MR. SERNA: Just one thing today. Uh,
22	Department of Labor's published a uh, grant opportunity for
23	workforce data quality initiative. Uh, they're going to-they're
24	going to be awarding five grants, each about 2.5 million
25	dollars, uh, for-to agent-for agencies to use to, uh, enhance

1	their, uh, data programs. We would like to submit an application
2	for that. I3 believes that we can use this for, uh, supporting
3	some of the, uh, improvements to our data availability as well
4	as, uh, upgrading some of our LMI tools and enhancements to the
5	state's longitudinal data system so if there's, uh, no issue
6	that I need to, uh, discuss with you all and bring this back,
7	applications are due May 27 th , uh, so unless I hear otherwise,
8	we're going to move forward with submitting an application, uh,
9	in order to bring these funds down. Hopefully we'll be one of
10	the, one of the states that receives them. That's all I have,
11	Mr. Chairman.
12	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right. Anything, any
13	other order of business to come before the commission?
14	COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No, not from me.
15	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: No? Is there a motion to
16	adjourn?
17	COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move to
18	adjourn.
19	COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.
20	CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
21	seconded to adjourn and we're adjourned.
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