



MEETING OF THE
TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

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1 Tuesday, July 8, 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 MR. TROBMAN: No, sir.

6 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you. We'll take a
7 short recess.

8 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: This is Agenda Item 9,
9 fiscal year 2026 TANF and child care allocations. Ah, here he
10 comes.

11 CHRIS NELSON: Good morning, chairman,
12 commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, Chris Nelson, chief
13 financial officer. This morning you have before you the fiscal
14 year 2026 TANF and child care allocations in accordance with
15 Chapter 800 of the TWC rules regarding allocations. The TANF
16 allocation is in the amount of \$74,404,408 and includes a small
17 board distribution of 289,877, and the child care allocation is
18 in the amount of \$1,436,029,277. This amount includes a required
19 two percent quality funds for the local workforce areas. Also
20 included in the packet is a four percent distribution of quality
21 funds in the amount of \$59,834,553 and mentor distribution of
22 31,000,000 and a board strategic planning funds distribution of
23 98,000 based on previously approved commission action. That
24 concludes my remarks and I'd be happy to answer any questions.

25 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Comments or questions?

1 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.

2 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

3 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

4 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
5 we adopt the fiscal year 2026 Temporary Assistance for Needy
6 Families and child care allocations as recommended today by
7 staff.

8 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

9 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
10 seconded and the motion carries. Thank you.

11 CHRIS NELSON: Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: This is Agenda Item 10,
13 uh, BCY2026 child care performance measures and targets.

14 ALLISON WILSON: Good morning, chairman,
15 commissioners, and Mr. Serna. For the record, Allison Wilson
16 with Child Care & Early Learning. In addition to the child care
17 allocations and distributions that you just approved, you also
18 have before you today the board contract year 2026 child care
19 performance measures and targets for the average number of
20 children served per day. These targets were developed based on
21 the methodology approved by the commission last fall to set
22 child care minimum payment rates thresholds beginning with
23 BCY25. Based on the available funding and updated cost and
24 casemix data we are projecting to serve over 148,000 children
25 per day on average in BCY26. The materials in your notebook

1 outline the individual targets for each board. Staff recommends
2 the commission approve the BCY26 child care performance measures
3 and targets as outlined. That concludes my remarks. Happy to
4 answer any questions.

5 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Comments or questions?

6 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.

7 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

8 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

9 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
10 we approve the board contract year 2026 child care performance
11 measures and targets for average number of children served per
12 day as recommended today by staff.

13 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

14 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: The motion carries. This
15 is Agenda Item 11, 2025 RESEA state plan submission.

16 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Good morning, chairman,
17 commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, I'm Suzette Robinson
18 with the Workforce Development Division. Staff is seeking
19 approval of the 2025 RESEA state plan before you which was
20 prepared in line with U.S. Department of Labor guidelines. The
21 state plan details the program's budget for the coming board
22 contract year which includes 25,266,504 in grant funds for
23 BCY2025 as well as \$15,262,408 in carryover funds from prior
24 grant years. The RESEA department plans to use these funds to
25 grow the size of the team, help streamline the pro, program

1 process for RESEA customers, and expand the use of evidence-
2 based services like subsequent meetings in line with DOL
3 requirements. Staff projects that a combined 159,450 customers
4 will be provided RESEA services in initial and subsequent
5 meetings over the course of the next year. Staff has prepared
6 this state doc-state plan document through a collaborative
7 drafting effort including the RESEA department, workforce
8 development, UI, and finance departments. Staff has also
9 incorporated advanced feedback from the Department of Labor on
10 an earlier version and we thank you for your consideration, and
11 I'm happy to answer any questions that you may have.

12 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any comments or questions?

13 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.

14 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

15 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: I have a couple questions.

16 What-what's the due date of this report?

17 SUZETTE ROBINSON: It is July 10th.

18 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: July 10th is the due date?

19 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Did DOL point out anything
21 specific on their advanced review that has been incorporated
22 into this report?

23 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Uh, in one of the tables
24 we had a, uh, the cost of services. There was a, a math error in
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1 the hourly wages, and then a couple of minor narrative comments
2 which we highlighted.

3 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Very good. Um, a couple
4 more things. So I noted in the report there's a reference to
5 commission rulemaking. Is that rulemaking that we've already
6 undertaken or rulemaking that will have to be undertaken
7 somewhere in the future?

8 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Rulemaking that will be
9 undertaken in the future.

10 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: OK. And, so otherwise,
11 does that then otherwise mean that parts of this report are
12 subject to that rulemaking?

13 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Yes. So we have—yes, the
14 eight mil—8.8 million in contingency funds is conditioned upon
15 rulemaking and an ability to implement whatever rules are
16 established.

17 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: And, OK, I got it. And
18 there's quite a few misspelled words. Y'all are going to come
19 back through this before you send it in. I found like three
20 misspelled words.

21 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Yes. I believe those were
22 already captured.

23 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right.

24 SUZETTE ROBINSON: Yes.
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1 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right. Is there a
2 motion?

3 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
4 we approve the 2025 Reemployment Services and Eligibility
5 Assessments state plan for submission to the U.S. Department of
6 Labor as recommended today by staff.

7 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

8 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
9 seconded and the motion carries. This is Agenda Item 12, RESEA
10 fiscal year 2024 supplemental distribution. That's been
11 postponed to a future meeting. We'll move then to Agenda Item
12 13, RESEA FY2024 outcome payment incentive distribution.

13 SUZETTE ROBINSON: So Texas has earned a
14 performance outcome payment every year since 2022. The
15 commission has approved to distribute these funds to local
16 Workforce Development Boards as performance and training
17 incentives based on how well, uh, they provide services to
18 customers. The discussion paper for your consideration
19 distributes roughly 1.6 million of the 2.89 million performance
20 outcome payment awarded to TWC by USDOL as incentives to
21 encourage boards to continue improving their performance.

22 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any comments or questions?

23 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, no comments.

24 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

25 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

1 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
2 we approve the fiscal year 2024 Reemployment Services and
3 Eligibility Assessment performance outcome payment incentive
4 distribution plan as described in the discussion paper and
5 recommended today by staff.

6 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
8 seconded and the motion carries. This is Agenda Item 14, RESEA
9 fiscal year 2023 performance incentive reallocation.

10 SUZETTE ROBINSON: For your consideration is
11 a discussion paper to reallocate FY2023 performance incentive
12 balances for Panhandle, Concho Valley, and Deep East Texas as a
13 contract amendment to BCY2025 and require funds to be spent by
14 February 28, 2026.

15 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any comments or questions?

16 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.

17 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

18 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

19 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
20 we approve the Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment
21 fiscal year 2023 board contract year 2024 performance initiative
22 reallocation as described in the discussion paper and
23 recommended today by staff.

24 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

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1 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
2 seconded and the motion carries. Thank you. This is Agenda Item
3 15, board nominations.

4 PATRICIA MARTINEZ: Good morning, chairman,
5 commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, Patricia Martinez,
6 Workforce Development Division. Today for your consideration we
7 have Workforce Board nominations for the following Workforce
8 Solutions: Brazos Valley; North Central Texas; South Texas;
9 Middle Rio Grande; Central Texas; Panhandle; and Permian Basin.
10 Staff recommends approval on the presented nominees, and I'm
11 here to answer any questions you may have.

12 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Comments or questions?

13 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, none here.

14 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

15 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

16 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move that
17 we approve the local Workforce Development Board member nominees
18 presented today for the following: Workforce Solutions Brazos
19 Valley; North Central Texas; South Texas; Middle Rio Grande;
20 Central Texas; Panhandle; and Permian Basin.

21 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

22 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
23 seconded and the motion carries.

24 PATRICIA MARTINEZ: Thank you.
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1 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: An executive director's
2 report. Nothing? Is there any other order of business to come
3 before the commission?

4 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, nothing here.

5 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No, chairman.

6 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion to
7 adjourn?

8 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Uh, chairman, I move
9 to adjourn.

10 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

11 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and
12 seconded to adjourn and we're adjourned.

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