

Board Report

August 2026

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Transition Planning with Amy Wood

Amy and I met continuously throughout the summer in preparation for my August 1 start date. Amy will remain a technical resource for me and my Career Connection Team this year.

Educator Bootcamps

The Educator Bootcamps concluded in June with 30 participants from various school districts across our service region. Positive feedback was received from the participants with several indicating they would return next year. We have also already received a request from a new individual to attend the 2027 program.

Business Advisory Council (BAC)

Meeting dates and times are scheduled for this year's BAC. All meeting times are 7:30 a.m.

- September 30th - Richland County focus. Meeting location is Charter Next Generation in Lexington, Ohio.
- November 18th - Crawford County focus. Location TBD. Coordinating with Crawford Partnership.
- February 24th - Morrow County focus. Location TBD. Coordinating with the Morrow County Development Office.
- April 21st – Location and topic TBD.

TurboCert

ODEW is implementing a shift in funding for its Innovation Workforce Incentive Program (IWIP) and has revamped the list of certified credentials based upon feedback from a workforce-centered committee. The new credential list will be phased in for full implementation of the new credentials starting with the class of 2030. Our 2026-2027 programming will occur in Crawford, Morrow, and Richland counties and will include the programs of Phlebotomy, Drone Operations and Safety, Manufacturing – FANUC Robotics and NIMS, and OpTIC Fiber Splicing. We will continue to plan for additional programs as well.

Career Pathway Support Network (CPSN)

The CPSN is an initiative managed by ODEW and ODHE. It is designed to strengthen career-technical education across the state of Ohio. It operates via seven regional networks, comprised of regional subcommittees and cluster areas. MOESC leads the cluster area comprised of Ashland, Richland, and Wayne counties within the Northeast Region, and I will serve on this region's steering committee. I have submitted a required cluster plan focusing on Professional Development, which will allow us to provide key updates from the ODEW and the overall CPSN to those within our cluster. Our work will continue to evolve in this space as the CPSN develops additional guidance and resources.