



MassHire Greater New Bedford Workforce Board
Executive Committee
Thursday, September 19, 2019 @ 12:00pm
Quest Center 2nd floor conference room (center large room)

AGENDA

1. Greetings and Call to Order
2. Introductions / Announcements
 - Jacqueline Sylvia, Website Designer – new employee to MassHire Workforce Board
 - The Workforce Board – received a thank you letter from NorthStar Learning Center (letter attached)
3. Consent Agenda (Votes)
 - August minutes for approval - attached
 - Treasurer's Report (no changes from last meeting)

4. Report outs
 - Executive Director – Jim Oliveira
 - Performance & Oversight – Ron Melbourne
 - Business Development - Rick Kidder
 - Youth Committee – Jeff Pelletier
 - MassHire Career Center – James Daniels

5. IRS Releases 2019 Standard Mileage Rates

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) released Notice 2019-02 providing the 2019 standard mileage rates. Beginning January 1, 2019, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car (vans, pickups or panel trucks) will be:

- 58 cents per mile for business miles driven, up from 54.5 cents for 2018

Notice 2019-02 contains the standard mileage rates, the amount taxpayers must use in calculating reductions to basis for depreciation taken under the business standard mileage rate, and the maximum standard automobile cost that may be used in computing the allowance under a fixed and variable rate (FAVR) plan.

The workforce board is recommending an increase to the new rate of 58 cents which requires a vote. If yes, we will bring before the full board for ratification.

6. Workforce Board amended their WIOA local policy to not restrict customers from other areas with a stipulation that reads; we are open and amenable to this practice as long as funding is available. WIOA reads that we cannot turn applicants away based upon where they live. Revision pages attached and highlighted.
7. After an open discussion at the August 18 meeting a unanimous decision was reached to amend the By-Laws dated April 10, to read that the Executive Committee will meet at least 6 times per year ensuring a quarterly rather than locking in to monthly meetings or at least 9 times per year. Revision page attached and highlighted.
8. Other Business
 - Schedule of subsequent Ex-Comm meetings all held at the Quest Center @ noon – please save the dates on your calendars
 - Thursday October 24
 - Thursday November 21
 - Thursday December 19
 - Thursday January 23
9. Adjourn