

# Office of Workforce Strategy and Development

Where we are, where we're going: 100-day recap

# Meet the Board

Member	Organization	Seat/Sector
Chair: Jay Bellows	KORE Power, Waterbury	Business
Chris Loso	Loso's Professional Janitorial Services, So. Burlington	Business
Amanda Shangraw	Bergamot + Amor, Williamstown	Business
Rebecca Kapsalis	UVM Health, Burlington	Business
Jill Mazza Olson	Visiting Nurses of Vermont, Montpelier	Business
Derrick Martens	Brothers Building, Waitsfield	Business
Bill Cunningham	Tri-Valley Transit, Middlebury/Randolph	Business
Betsy Bailey	Little Dippers Doodle Children's Center, St. Johnsbury	Business
Rob Terry	Merck Forest and Farmland, Rupert	Business
Michael Hulbert	HP Cummings, Waterbury	Business
Valerie White Beaudet	Ladder 1 Grill, Barre	Business
Mark Dessureau	Dessureau Machines, Barre	Business
Scott Giles	VSAC, Winooski	Workforce Partner
Jeremy White	Orange East Supervisory Union, Bradford	Workforce Partner
Rhoni Basden	Vermont Works for Women	Workforce Partner
Aron Tomlinson	Hartford Career and Tech Center, White River Junction	Workforce Partner
Philip Knolling	SerVermont, Waterbury	Workforce Partner
Tiffany Walker	Community College of Vermont, Rutland	Workforce Partner
Mike Doneges	Mayor, Rutland City	Local Elected Official
Jim Sullivan	Bennington Select Board	Local Elected Official
Michael Marcotte	State Representative, Coventry	State Legislator
Alison Clarkson	State Senator, Windsor	State Legislator
Michael Harrington	Department of Labor	State Government
Zoie Saunders	Agency of Education	State Government
Lindsay Kurrle	Agency of Commerce and Community Development	State Government
Jenney Samuelson	Agency of Human Services	State Government

## What does the Office do?

**Connect,  
convene,  
collaborate and  
be a clearing  
house for  
workforce  
strategy**

## Meetings held:

VT National Guard

Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund

US Department of Labor – Boston regional office

Adam Grinold, former SWDB chair and executive director, BDCC

Vermont Economic Conference

Maine Department of Labor, State Workforce Development

Courtney Harrness, VAMHAR

Diane Dalmasse, HireAbility

Mary Anne Shehan, Vermont Talent Pipeline

Susan Evans McClure, Vermont Arts Council

NGA Service-to-Career Pathways Policy Academy

UVM's PACE program

Serve, Learn and Earn

Nolato

Leahy Institute/UVM partners

Afterschool and Summer Learning Council

Apprenticeship Advisory Board

BETA Technologies

Vermont State University Workforce Development ED

VSC Chancellor Mauch

Vermont Outdoor Business Alliance

Jenna's Promise

Copley Hospital

UVM Health Network President & CEO

Stowe Ski Resort

MSI

Vermont Adult Education Learning

VT-POC

VSAC

Northland Job Corps

Mack Molding

## And more to come:

- Hire an assistant (in May) with onboarding and training through the summer
- Create new bi-weekly OWSD communication for board members and the website
- Begin implementation concepts for creating the OWSD “clearinghouse” at the website to braid all workforce development efforts and partners throughout the state
- Continue partner outreach across the state, with upcoming events already scheduled:
  - Southern VT Economic Conference – 5/20
  - Bring Back the Trades Event – 5/20
  - SkiVermont Annual Meeting – 6/5
- Work with ADS and other state agency partners to draft Data Trust report due to the Legislature in December (May-October meetings)
- Create the Workforce Strategy Roadshow to visit regional economic development organizations and employers (June-October)