



**RCT Quarterly Meeting Agenda  
May 2-3, 2024  
4100 Troup Highway  
Conference Room 4  
Tyler, TX 75703  
VIA Zoom**

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The following items may not necessarily be considered in the order they appear.

**Thursday May 2, 2024**

- 12:00 p.m. Welcome and Introductions, Gennadiy Goldenshteyn, RCT Chairman
- 12:10 p.m. TWC Commissioners Remarks
- 12:20 p.m. TWC Update, Ed Serna, TWC Executive Director
- 1:00 p.m. TWC VR Budget, Cheryl Fuller, VR Director
  - FY24 Status (additional funding and distribution plan)
  - FY25 Additional Funding
  - FY26-27 Legislative Appropriations Request
- 2:00 p.m. Break
- 2:10 p.m. VR Division Report, Cheryl Fuller, VR Director
- 3:30 p.m. Break
- 3:40 p.m. VR Performance Update, Geoffrey Miller, Director of Analytics and Evaluation (A&E), and Christopher Speckhard, Manager VRGIS Team, Information, Innovation, and Insight (I|3) Division
- 4:30 p.m. Council Business
  - New Council Business
    - Approve February Minutes
    - RCT Budget Report
    - Announce Election Nomination Due COB June 21
    - Meeting Location - August Austin
    - Meeting Location - November Dallas/Fort Worth Region

- 4:45 p.m. Public Comment  
5:00 p.m. Recess for the day

### **Friday May 3, 2024**

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions, Gennadiy Goldenshteyn, Chair
- 9:10 a.m. Overview VRD Region 4 and Introductions  
Dennis Kutach, Regional Director, Malcolm Ifoezeh, Deputy Regional Director, Doug Shryock, Director of Workforce and Economic Development, Carolyn Garrett, Area Operations Manager, Angelia Snow, Executive Director Career Team, Cheryl Newton, Deputy Director Career Team, Region 4 VR Staff in Attendance
- 9:20 a.m. VRD Region 4: Project Search Presentation  
Jennifer McCurley, Transition VR Counselor  
Susan Nabi, Director, Winning Edge Employment Services  
Mendy Ritchie, Job Skills Trainer, Winning Edge Employment Services  
DJ Warren, Project Search Instructor, Tyler ISD  
Abby Dominy, Transition Specialist, Tyler ISD  
Wendi Tuz, Business Liaison, CHRISTUS  
Current and Former Project Search Interns
- 9:40 a.m. VRD Region 4: Region Updates  
Brandi Clark, VR Manager, MU 4-2, Steve Lynch, Community Affairs Director, Harold Whitfield, VR Manager, MU 4-3, Karen Givens VR Supervisor for Donna Dounley, VR Manager, MU 4-1
- 10:00 a.m. VRD Region 4: Customer Success Stories  
Justin Collier, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor  
Kel Cates, Restoration Specialist and Alicia Milliard, VR Counselor for Blind/Visual Impairments
- 10:20 a.m. Statewide Job Club, Paid Work Experience, Region 4 Programs  
Jacki Everhart-Thompson, Business Relations Coordinator  
Christina Ward, Business Relations Coordinator
- 10:35 a.m. VRD Region 4: Q and A
- 10:50 a.m. Break
- 11:05 a.m. RSA Monitoring Report, Cindy Geisman
- 11:20 a.m. PCG Rate Study Follow Up/Implementation Plan
- 11:40 a.m. Committee Reports
- Policy, Procedure & Personnel Development, Karen Stanfill, Chair

- Education and Membership, Emily Robinson, Chair
- Customer Satisfaction & Needs Assessment, Lisa Cowart, Chair
- Ad-Hoc Public Engagement Committee, Gennadiy Goldenshteyn
- Ad-Hoc Strategic Planning Peggy Schmidt

12:10 p.m. NCSRC/CSAVR Report Out

12:20 p.m. Liaison Reports – Full reports are included in the binder

- Client Assistance Program (CAP), Karen Stanfill
- Community Rehabilitation Provider (CRP), Peggy Schmidt
- Partners Resource Network (PRN), Lisa Cowart
- State Independent Living Council (SILC), Patrick Sturdivant
- Texas Education Agency (TEA), Emily Robinson
- Texas Workforce Investment Council (TWIC), Michele Harper

12:45 p.m. Public Comment

1:00 p.m. Adjourn

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