
Sponsor: Workforce Solutions

Meeting Date: 12/2/2025

Title: Appointment to the Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County

File Number: 2025-451

Background and Rationale:

Local workforce development boards are required entities under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to provide oversight for the public workforce system. The Workforce Innovation Board (WIB) serves as the local workforce development board for Ramsey County. The 33 WIB members represent business, community-based organizations (CBO), one-stop center partners, organized labor, economic development, education and elected officials. Eighteen of the members are appointed by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners and 15 are appointed by the Mayor of Saint Paul for two-year terms.

Currently, there are one Education and one CBO openings on the WIB. An application has been received from Sharon Blomgren of Saint Paul College to serve the remainder of the term of the Education seat, beginning December 2, 2025, and ending July 31, 2027.

At its November 18, 2025 meeting, the WIB's Executive Committee voted to recommend approval of this appointment. On November 19, the application and recommendation were forwarded to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners for review.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Appoint the following individual to serve on the Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County for a term beginning December 2, 2025, and ending July 31, 2027:

- Sharon Blomgren Education

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McMurtrey, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Jebens-Singh, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

Excused: - 1: McGuire

By: _____



Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board