

PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION QUARTERLY MEETING

VIRTUAL with on-site access at:
The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf - Auditorium
300 East Swissvale Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15218

March 11, 2025

MISSION STATEMENT: To assist Pennsylvanians with disabilities to secure and maintain employment and independence.

PUBLIC AGENDA

<p>10:00 - 10:45</p>	<p>Wellcome & Opening Remarks, Bill Trusky, Executive Deputy Secretary, Dept. of Labor & Industry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call of Board Members • ACTION: Approval of March 11 Meeting Agenda • ACTION: Approval of Minutes, December 19, 2024 • ACTION: Discussion and approval of the Financial Needs Test Policy #25-200.XX • ACTION: Discussion and approval of appointing a State Board Executive Advisory Committee • UPDATE: Review of the 2-year modification to the State Plan • UPDATE: Review of Audiological Services procedures • UPDATE: Review of archiving Low Vision Services Policy #17-200.01
<p>10:45 – 11:05</p>	<p>Executive Director’s Remarks, Ryan Hyde, Executive Director, OVR</p>
<p>11:05 – 11:20</p>	<p>State Board Task Force Committee Update, Michael Kiel, Board Member</p>

STAKEHOLDER REPORTS

11:20 – 11:30	PA Rehabilitation Council , William Paz De Melo, Council Chair
11:30 – 11:40	Statewide Independent Living Council , Matt Seeley, Director of SILC & Jeff Iseman, Public Policy & Outreach Coordinator
11:40 – 11:50	Office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing , Melissa Hawkins, Director of ODHH
11:50 – 12:00	Client Assistance Program , Steve Pennington & Andrew Pennington, Directors of CAP

12:00 – 1:00 **LUNCH**

BUREAU DIRECTOR REPORTS

1:05 – 1:15 **Bureau Director Report Follow-Up**, Jill Moriconi, CTI at HGAC Director; Marci Katona, BVRs Director; Dawn Sokol, BBVS Director; Denise Verchimak, BCO Director

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

1:15 – 1:45 **Partnership with Envision Blind Sports**, Wendy Fagan, Founder of Envision Blind Sports

University of Pittsburgh Partnership with Commonwealth Technical Institute at the Hiram G. Andrews Center, Jill Moriconi, Director of CTI at HGAC, Dr. Jamie Kulzer, University of Pittsburgh

Evolve Coaching Partnership and College Resources for Success,
Heather Conroy, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Evolve Coaching

Public Comment

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: June 10, 2025 – Harrisburg Area