

# PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Best Western Premier, Harrisburg PA

**December 7, 2023**

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

## PUBLIC AGENDA

**10:00 - 10:15** **Welcome & Opening Remarks**, Nancy Walker, Secretary, Dept. of Labor & Industry

- Introduction of Board Members
- **ACTION:** Approval of Agenda
- **ACTION:** Approval of Minutes, **September 14, 2023**
- **ACTION:** Approval of 2024 Dates & Locations

**10:15 - 10:45** **Executive Director's Remarks**, Ryan Hyde, Executive Director, OVR

**10:45 - 11:00** **State Board Task Force Committee Update**, Michael Kiel, Board Member

## STAKEHOLDER REPORTS

**11:00 - 11:10** **PA Rehabilitation Council**, Paul Fogle, Chair

**11:10 - 11:20** **Statewide Independent Living Council**, Matthew Seeley, Executive Director

**11:20 - 11:30** **Office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing**, Melissa Hawkins, Director

**11:30 - 11:40** **Client Assistance Program**, Steve Pennington, Director

## BUREAU DIRECTOR REPORTS

**11:40 - 12:00** **Bureau Director Report Follow-Up**, Jill Moriconi, HGAC Director; Marci Katona, BVRS Director; Dawn Sokol, BBVS Director; Ryan Hyde, BCO

**12:00 - 1:00** **LUNCH**

## TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

**1:00 - 1:20** **VR Portion of the Combined State Plan**, Jim Whitonis, VR Specialist

**1:20 - 1:25** **Update on OVR Audiological Services Policy**, Russ Goddard, VR Specialist

**1:25 - 2:15** **Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) & Managed Care Organizations (MCO)**, Juliet Marsala, OLTL Deputy Secretary

**2:15 - 2:45** **Board Discussion/Debate**, Jill Moriconi & Board Members

- **Benefits and drawbacks to HGAC's programs being accredited by ACCSC**

**2:45 – 3:00**

**Public Comment**

**3:00**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING: TBD**