## Regional Workforce Education Alliance (RWEA) August 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes

#### REGIONAL WORKFORCE EDUCATION ALLIANCE

The City of New Braunfels City Council and the City of Seguin City Council have established the Regional Workforce Education Alliance ("RWEA") as a strategic group for clear communication, aligned efforts, collaboration, and targeted support for workforce education efforts. The vision of the RWEA is to capitalize on opportunities that support industry and lead to an increased quality of life and positive generational change.

NEW BRAUNFELS REPRESENTATIVES			SEGUIN RÉPRESENTATIVES		
Х	Bret Bradberry		Х	Joshua Beck	
		Term ends 5/31/26			Term ends 12/31/27
	Lucas Conder		Х	Jason Dinscore – Vice Cha	ir
		Term ends 5/31/27			Term ends 12/31/26
Х	Dr. Christopher Dayley		X	Travis Martinez	
		Term ends 5/31/27			Term ends 12/31/26
	Shane Hines – Chair		Х	Carlos Moreno	
		Term ends 5/31/26			Term ends 12/31/27
	Christy Fischer -Rohlf		Х	Gilberto Ortiz	
		Term ends 5/31/27			Term ends 12/31/25
Х	Rachel Behnke		Х	Melissa Gossett	
		Ex-Officio Status- New Braunfels ISD			Ex-Officio Status- Navarro ISD
Х	Renee Martinez		Х	Sergio Juarrieta	
		Ex-Officio Status- Comal ISD			Ex-Officio Status-Seguin ISD
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#### **OTHER MEETING ATTENDEES:**

Mike Anderson, TSTC
Rusty Brockman, Cemex
Jessica Dersen, City of Seguin
Josh Schneuker, City of Seguin
Sharon Nittinger, NLC
Shannon Gildea, City of New Braunfels
Jeff Jewll, City of New Braunfels

- 1. Call to Order at 7:48am
- 2. Roll call; Quorum established
- 3. No Citizen's Communications presented
- 4. Introductions and Welcome
  - Introduction of all members, welcome to the newly appointed representatives. Briefing on purpose of committee and review of By-Laws, including attendance requirements. Overview of where to locate By-Laws online, will be shared via email as well.
- 5. Minutes from June 10 2025 regular meeting were reviewed and approved
- 6. Reports
- 15Ds
  - Comal ISD added 25 industry certificates once students turned 18; still need an Engineering teacher at SVHS; new IBC list will allow us to review offerings; will be posting for a part-time electrician and plumber at all 5 high schools

- NBISD opening Long Creek CTE facilities, will look forward to industry input on IBCs, up to 54 teachers in CTE department
- Seguin open Ag, AAVTC, Comp Sci at computer science at middle school, fully staffed at high school; doubled their industry certifications; looking to focus on manufacturing
- Navarro added a few new teachers; took business to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, added NLC as a PTECH partner and dual credit partner; new Ag teacher is adjunct; November will move items into new school

#### TSTC

- welding program is robust and full, Kim was promoted a new hire, Robin, will be at the front desk starting soon
- FAME Lone Star Chapter
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> cohort starts soon, 13 spots are filled, 8/26 from 5-7pm is signing day
- NLC at New Braunfels
  - classes start 8/25 there is a 25% increase in enrollment from Spring 25 to Fall 25, two
    new science FT staff, IT Lab is up and active, Specialist coming soon, new admin starting
    soon, Bio/A&P models have been purchased, Evening CNA & Med Tech programs
    starting soon \*attachment\*, NLC move/expansion
- Chamber of Commerce
  - No report at this time
- Industries
  - Overall Needs are soft skills and critical thinking skills for new hires, industrial/facilities
    maintenance, tuition reimbursement opportunities & problem solving, carpentry intro
    level skill needed, CNAs and RNs in need at GRMC, HS Internship opportunities and
    creative strategies, operator-focused skills and training
- City of Seguin
  - Real estate closing soon on 133 acres off 46 and Cordova for the TSTC Campus, TX
     Proposition 1 will be addressed by the Legislature this Fall regarding endowment funds to TSTC for projects, career exploration flyer \*attachment\*
- City of New Braunfels
- Council approved additional funding from the NBEDC to NLC at New Braunfels to help fund their expansion to a new campus location off Sundance & Old FM 306

#### 7. Committee Updates

- A) Facility Naming & Signage Committee: no update at this time
- B) Workforce and ISDs Committee: presented document looking at the current landscape of programs offered in secondary schools; what programs each district offers so that we can determine which industries to narrow in on we know Manufacturing, IT, Health Science and Construction are high demand. Request from industries what are you looking for? If you are hiring out of high school, what do you want students to know and have what are realistic expectations?

#### 8. Presentation and Discussion

- A) Josh presented on a study Pflugerville recently completed to address workforce needs in their community, this could be a potential partnership between Seguin and New Braunfels, there is grant funding available through Texas Workforce, cost estimate is around \$150,000, will bring more information forward to the board for potential action/support in the Fall, the study could drive data and decisions for the communities and counties
- B) Will discuss at future meetings

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# Seguin Career Events

OCT

## Made In Seguin Day/MFG Month

28

**Sophomores, juniors, and seniors** enrolled in pathway related CTE programs are invited to explore Seguin's leading manufacturing companies through guided industry tours that showcase local career opportunities.

NOV

## **Seguin Youth Career Expo**

19

An interactive, one-day event at the Seguin Coliseum where **eighth-grade students** explore diverse career pathways and programs of study through hands-on exhibits and employer engagement.

FEB-MAR multiple dates

## Seguin Job Shadow Program

A one-day immersive experience connecting **junior and senior students** with local employers to explore real-world careers and job opportunities.

APR

## **CTE Advisory Committee**

A collaborative forum bringing together CTE educators, employers, and community leaders to align career and technical education with local workforce needs.

MAY

## **Navarro Industry Signing Day**

A recognition event honoring Navarro **high school graduates** who have secured employment with regional industry partners.

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## **Seguin Industry Signing Day**

A recognition event honoring Seguin **high school graduates** who have secured employment with regional industry partners.

SUMMER

## **Summer Educator Externship Program**

TBD This und

This program places **local educators** inside businesses to better understand industry expectations and bring real-world relevance back to the classroom.

\*All event dates and times are subject to change.



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