

**THE SUMMIT AND MEDINA WORKFORCE AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FOR OHIO LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA 2
RESOLUTION 2024-01**

A Resolution of the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments appointing Ms. Amy Lane, Director of Career Services and Workforce Development at Stark State College, as a representative of higher education to the Summit Medina Workforce Development Board in Ohio Workforce Area 2.

WHEREAS, Section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (“WIOA”) requires the membership of local Workforce Development Boards (“WDB”) to be representative of the workforce area’s businesses, governmental, economic and community development entities, education and training institutions, and labor organizations;

WHEREAS, in Ohio Local Workforce Area 2 (“Area 2”), the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments (“SAMWA COG”) is responsible for appointing and/or reappointing WDB members who represent the sectors required under WIOA Section 107, as recommended by the Area 2 WDB and/or its Executive Committee;

WHEREAS, former Area 2 WDB member Ms. Amanda Hinkel resigned from the WDB effective 10/5/2023, leaving vacant an appointment for a representative from an institution of higher education with a term ending June 30, 2025, that now must be filled;

WHEREAS, in a letter addressed to Ms. Ilene Shapiro, Summit County Executive, hereto attached as “*EXHIBIT A*,” Dr. Para Jones, President of Stark State College, nominated Ms. Amy Lane, Director of Career Services and Workforce Development at Stark State College, for appointment to the WDB representing an institution of higher education located in Area 2, and;

WHEREAS, upon reception of Stark State College’s nomination, Executive Shapiro determined Ms. Amy Lane to be an appropriate representative of an institution of higher education located in Area 2, and recommends her appointment to the WDB;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the SAMWA COG that:

SECTION 1

The appointment of Ms. Amy Lane, Director of Career Services and Workforce Development at Stark State College, to the Summit Medina Workforce Development Board as a Summit County appointee who represents an institution of higher education located in Ohio Local Workforce Area 2, to assume and complete Ms. Hinkel’s term, in alignment with the Area 2 WDB’s Bylaws for Summit County appointments, is hereby confirmed.

SECTION 2

This Directive shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes: 11
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0

ADOPTED, this 28th day of March, 2024.



Summit County Executive


Medina County Commissioner

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EXHIBIT A



Office of the President

March 6, 2024

The Honorable Ilene Shapiro
County Executive
County of Summit
175 S Main St, 8th Floor
Akron, OH 44308

Dear Executive Shapiro:

I am pleased to nominate Amy Lane to serve as the higher education representative to the Area 2 Workforce Development Board.

Ms. Lane serves as Stark State College's Director of Career Services and Workforce Development, and she would bring to the Area 2 Board a strong background in serving employers' needs in Summit and surrounding counties. In her former workforce leadership role with Kent State University, Ms. Lane built working relationships with many of Summit County's communities, leaders, businesses, industries and institutions. She has a strong grasp of national best practices in recruiting, hiring and meeting local workforce needs.

Ms. Lane's role at Stark State is critical to our College's workforce mission. She meets regularly with businesses, industries and organizations in the region to understand and address their workforce education and training needs. She also works closely with regional economic development, chamber of commerce and workforce partners, including ConxusNEO, to understand and respond to workforce needs.

Given Ms. Lane's deep understanding of workforce and economic development and her critical role at Stark State, I am confident that she will work effectively with Director Christine Marshall and the Workforce Development Board to connect unemployed and underemployed citizens with career opportunities and to meet the workforce needs of business and industry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Para M. Jones".

Para M. Jones, Ph.D.
President