

PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION QUARTERLY MEETING

VIRTUAL with on-site access at:
Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network
6340 Flank Drive, Cambria Conference Room
Harrisburg, PA 17112

March 12, 2026

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

PUBLIC AGENDA

- 10:00 – 10:30** **Welcome & Remarks**, Bill Trusky, Executive Deputy Secretary, Dept. of Labor & Industry
- Roll Call of Board Members, Chris Harbert, Administrator to the OVR State Board
 - **ACTION:** Approval of March 12 Meeting Agenda
 - **ACTION:** Approval of Minutes, **December 9, 2025**
 - **DISCUSSION:** Request from PA Rehabilitation Council (PaRC) to support and sign the advocacy letter to Senator Warren & Members of Congress regarding USDOL policy changes which threaten employment rights of persons with disabilities.
 - **DISCUSSION:** Review draft letter to Speaker of the House of Representatives Joanna McClinton requesting to meet regarding direct/attendant care crisis impacting Pennsylvanians.
- 10:30 – 10:50** **Executive Director's Remarks**, Ryan Hyde, Executive Director of OVR
- 10:50 – 11:00** **Regional District Office Pilot Overview**, Marci Katona, Bureau Director, BVRS & Dawn Sokol, Bureau Director, BBVS
- 11:00 – 11:15** **State Board Executive Advisory Committee Update**, Michael Kiel, OVR Board Member

STAKEHOLDER REPORTS

- 11:15 – 11:25** **Statewide Independent Living Council**, Matt Seeley, Director of SILC & Jeff Iseman, Public Policy & Outreach Coordinator
- 11:25 – 11:35** **Client Assistance Program**, Andrew Pennington, Director of CAP
- 11:35 – 11:45** **PA Rehabilitation Council**, Michelle Mitchell, Council Chair
- 11:45 – 11:55** **Office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing**, Melissa Hawkins, Director of ODHH & Gerald Penna, ACDHH Chair

12:00 – 1:00

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TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

1:05 – 1:10

Bureau Director Report Follow-Up, Jill Moriconi, CTI at HGAC Director; Marci Katona, BVRS Director; Dawn Sokol, BBVS Director; Denise Verchimak, BCO Director

1:10 – 1:30

Updates from the Bureau of Special Education, Carole Clancy, Director of BSE

1:30 - 1:50

Updates from the Office of Long-Term Living, Juliet Marsala, Deputy Secretary, OLTL

1:50 – 2:20

Digital Accessibility Across the Commonwealth, Kris Adams, Chief Accessibility Officer, OA

2:20 – 2:45

Sheetz Employer Partnership Appreciation, Alexandra Oles, Senior Manager of Inclusion & Diversity, Sheetz & Dana Barone, VR Specialist Supervisor, BCO

2:45 – 3:00

Public Comment

3:00

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday June 9, 2026 – Philadelphia Area