SOUTHWESTERN OHIO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MEETING MINUTES
June 24th, 2026
SWOCOG Office
Time: 9am-10am

Board Attendance: Lee Ann Emmons, Megan Manuel, John LaRock, Kamarr Gage (Virtually Until 9:20 AM), Leia Snyder, Dan Ottke.
Attendees: Sharon Travis, Amy Pond, Megan Hoying, Sheila Bloom, Shelly Palumbo, and Lindsay Morrison.

I. Call to Order: Lee Ann Emmons called the meeting to order at 9:06am.

II. Approval of Agenda
Resolution 26-06-01 Megan Manuel motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Dan Ottke seconded; motion carried.
Roll Call: Lee Ann Emmons-yes, Megan Manuel-yes, Kamarr Gage-yes, John LaRock-yes, Leia Synder-yes, Dan Ottke-yes.

III. Discussion with DCY on Contracting With SWOCOG: Shelly Palumbo and Lindsay Morrison presented on the regional approach DCY is utilizing with other COG's providing assessment, evaluation, and early intervention services. Sharon expressed concern about the turnaround time for reimbursement of payments, which is why two other COGs no longer provide the service.

9:20 Kamarr Gage Arrives at Meeting

IV. Review/Approve Minutes of the May Board Meeting.
Resolution: 26-06-02 John LaRock motioned to approve the minutes of the May Board Meeting as presented. Dan Ottke seconded; motion carried.

V. Financial Report
A. **May Financial Report**
Amy reviewed the financial report that was emailed to the board.

B. **COG Financial Statement: January-May 2026.**
Resolution: 26-06-03 Megan Manuel motioned to approve the COG Financial Statement as presented. Leia Snyder seconded; motion carried.

VI. Executive Director's Report
Sharon Travis reviewed the report that was emailed to the board.

VII. Old Business:
A. DCY Contract: Butler would be interested in the COG contracting with DCY and receiving the services. Sharon Travis stated she is concerned about getting reimbursed for the service. The other counties weren't interested at this time. No resolution was made.

VIII. New Business:
A. **2026 HCBS Conference Baltimore:** The 2026 Home and Community-Based Services Conference will be held August 23 - 27, 2026 at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront in Baltimore, Maryland.
Resolution: 26-06-04 Leia Snyder motioned to approve Sharon Travis to attend the 2026 HCBDS Conference in Baltimore, Kamarr Gage seconded; motion carried.

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IX. Executive Session:
No executive session was held.

X. Adjournment: Lee Ann Emmons adjourned the meeting at 10:15am.