

**MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

**333 Market Street | 1st Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126**

January 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Chairman Larry Wittig.

Attending:

James Agras <i>(via phone)</i>	Maureen Lally-Green <i>(via phone)</i>	Justin Reynolds
Carol Aichele	Teresa Lebo	Colleen Sheehan <i>(via phone)</i>
Jay Badams	Donald LeCompte	Craig Snider <i>(via phone)</i>
James Barker <i>(via phone)</i>	Francis Michelini	Karen White <i>(via phone)</i>
James Grandon <i>(via phone)</i>	Jonathan Peri	A. Lee Williams
Kirk Hallett	Mollie Phillips <i>(via phone)</i>	Larry Wittig

The minutes of the November 13, 2014 meeting of the State Board for Vocational Education were approved on a **Peri/Lally-Green** motion.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

Dr. Lee Burket, Director, stated that the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (BCTE) filed its annual report on time with the United States Department of Education (USDE) and met all of the indicators associated with the Perkins reporting requirements. For many years, Pennsylvania did not meet the non-traditional indicators at the secondary level. A detailed report and data will be made available to Board members at the March 2015 meeting.

Dr. Burket also reported that, in January, representatives of the Commonwealth participated in a meeting with International Baccalaureate (IB) program staff. A new career-related program was discussed that would make schools such as comprehensive Career and Technical Centers (CTC) and part-time Career and Technical Centers eligible to become IB schools. Instead of offering six or more IB courses, the CTC IB career-related program would offer two IB courses that must relate to a given career field. IB hopes to have this program in place by 2016.

Finally, Dr. Burket reported that a petition for the Board to continue being recognized as a reliable accrediting authority is under development and is due to the USDE by June 2015. BCTE currently is working on the petition and will present the final draft to the Board in March 2015. BCTE will ask for approval of the petition in May 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. on a **Williams/Michelini** motion.



Stephanie Jones
Administrative Assistant