MINUTES STATE BOARD OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

333 Market Street | 1st Floor Harrisburg, PA 17126

March 10, 2021

The meeting of the State Board of Career and Technical Education was convened virtually on Wednesday, March 10, 2021. Due to public health measures being implemented across the Commonwealth to address COVID-19, members of the Board and members of the public participated in the meeting virtually via webinar and teleconference. Public notice of the meeting was made in accordance with the Sunshine Meeting Act of 1986. The meeting was called to order at 3:13 p.m. by Chair Karen Farmer White.

Attending:

James Agras Carol Aichele Nathan Barrett Jamie Bracey-Green Nicole Carnicella Sandra Dungee Glenn Anne Griffin Pamela Gunter-Smith Jeffrey Keeling Hon. Maureen Lally-Green Hon. Mark Longietti Jonathan Peri Eva Rankin Hon. Curt Sonney Taiba Sultana Karen Farmer White Lee Williams Hon. Lindsey Williams

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the November 18, 2020, meeting of the State Board of Career and Technical Education were approved on an **Agras/Lee Williams** motion.

<u>REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR</u> BUREAU OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Dr. Lee Burket, Director of the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (BCTE), reported that the Department plans to revise the Perkins V state determined performance levels due to the unanticipated circumstances brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. She was joined by Kevin Springman, Education Research Association in BCTE, who presented a detailed overview of the proposed updates to five of the Perkins indicators.

Due to state and federal waivers for the 2019-2020 school year of assessment, accountability, and school identification and reporting requirements, schools did not assess students academic levels of achievement or technical skill achievement for CTE students. As a result of the waivers, the 2019-2020 data reported by Perkins did not include data on indicators for Academic Proficiency in Reading Language Arts, Academic Proficiency in Mathematics, and Program Quality – Other Technical Skill Attainment. As a result of school closures due to the pandemic that caused students not to be able to sit for credentialing exams and earn recognized postsecondary credentials during spring 2020, Perkins recipients submitted limited data on two indicators for Program Quality – Attained Recognized Postsecondary Credential and Earned Recognized Postsecondary Credential. BCTE also anticipates that schools will take advantage of a wavier of technical assessments for CTE students in the 2020-2021 school year that was

authorized by the Pennsylvania General Assembly in Act 136. Therefore, BCTE is proposing that the performance level for the five indicators impacted by the unanticipated circumstances be set at zero for the FY 2021 only.

The proposed updates to the Perkins V state determined performance levels will be reviewed for input by stakeholders before the updated plan is submitted to the U.S. Department of Education.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 p.m. on an **Agras/Barrett** motion.

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