

**MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

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

November 8, 2023

The meeting of the State Board of Career and Technical Education (Board) was convened on Wednesday, November 8, 2023. Public notice of the meeting was made in accordance with the Sunshine Meeting Act of 1986. The meeting was called to order at 2:26 p.m. by Chair Karen Farmer White.

Attending:

James Agras	Aarushi Dedhiya	Hon. Pedro Rivera
Hon. Carol Aichele	Sandra Dungee Glenn	Monica Taylor
Hon. David Argall	Ernest Hadrick	Karen Farmer White
Nathan Barrett	Amanda Hetrick	Lee Williams
Brenna Chernich	Jeffrey Keeling	Hon. Lindsey Williams
Claire Chi	Maureen Lally-Green	Benjamin Wilson
Katherine Christiano	Robert Mitchell	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 13, 2023, meeting of the Board were approved on a **Lee Williams/Hetrick** motion.

**COMMITTEE REPORT
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

Mr. Ernest Hadrick, the new Co-Chair of the Career and Technical Education Committee (Committee), reported that the Committee met earlier in the day to consider an application for accreditation of the postsecondary programs at Schuylkill Technology Center (STC). Mr. Hadrick said the Department of Education presented its findings on the application and that the Committee agreed with the Department's recommendation to grant re-accreditation to STC for a five-year period. He noted that the Department evaluated the application against the established accreditation guidelines, conducted a site visit at the school, and engaged the Institutional Accreditation Advisory Group (IAAG) as external advisors to formulate a recommendation on the application. Mr. Hadrick requested that Chair Farmer White place STC's application before the Board for action later in the meeting.

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

Mr. Judd Pittman, Director of the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (BCTE), provided a report on activity related to career and technical education within BCTE, including updates on monitoring of Perkins recipients, updates to program of study task grids, and the forthcoming release of competitive equipment grants. Mr. Pittman also discussed the status of

the new Program of Study in Education and the number of applicants seeking approval to offer the program. Mr. Pittman concluded his remarks to the Board by providing a detailed briefing on Perkins V to provide background to the Board on the federal requirements that must be addressed in the state's Perkins Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEM

Application for Accreditation of Schuylkill Technology Center

A motion to grant Schuylkill Technology Center re-accreditation for a five-year period was made by Ernest Hadrick and seconded by Dr. Monica Taylor.

VOTE: All were in favor as indicated by unanimous voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. on an **Aichele/Wilson** motion.

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