

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

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**May 3, 2023**

The meeting of the State Board of Career and Technical Education (Board) was convened on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. Public notice of the meeting was made in accordance with the Sunshine Meeting Act of 1986. The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chair Karen Farmer White.

**Attending:**

James Agras	Pamela Gunter-Smith	Hon. Pedro Rivera
Hon. Carol Aichele	Amanda Hetrick	Monica Taylor
Hon. David Argall	Natalie Imhoof	Karen Farmer White
Nathan Barrett	Sarah Jordan	Lee Williams
Sandra Dungee Glenn	Jeffrey Keeling	Hon. Lindsey Williams
Reva Gandhi		

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 8, 2023, meeting of the Board were approved on an **Agras/Lee Williams** motion.

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

Chair Farmer White announced the pending retirement of Dr. Lee Burket, Director of the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (BCTE). Ms. Farmer White thanked Dr. Burket for her service to the Commonwealth and for the responsiveness she had shown to Board members over her nearly 20 years with the BCTE. Ms. Farmer White said she planned to introduce a resolution honoring Dr. Burket after receiving her final Director's report.

Dr. Burket presented a written report to the Board on activity related to career and technical education (CTE). Dr. Burket highlighted the following items from her written report:

**Perkins State Determined Performance Levels (SDPL)**

Dr. Burket noted that states are required to establish meaningful levels of performance under the Perkins Act and that the time has come for the state to determine new performance levels consistent with federal regulations. She said the Department of Education (PDE) engaged stakeholders to review and submit comment on preliminary draft State Determined Performance Levels (SDPLs) prior to finalizing performance levels. Dr. Burket further noted that, during summer 2023, PDE will develop a baseline for an indicator on secondary-level academic proficiency in science as the state needs to start reporting performance on the Keystone Biology exam. She said PDE also will revise other

SDPLs for the 2024-25 Perkins plan submission and shared that new performance levels will be brought to the State Board of Career and Technical Education for approval no later than March 2024. New performance levels must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Education by May 2024.

### **Programs of Study**

In the Pennsylvania Perkins V State Plan, all Perkins-allocated postsecondary institutions must align at least three programs of study in three different career clusters to satisfy the requirements. As of March 2023, Dr. Burket said BCTE holds 404 statewide agreements on the College Transfer website ([www.collegetransfer.net](http://www.collegetransfer.net)). She shared that 64 new or updated statewide agreements were approved and noted that statewide agreements must award a minimum of nine technical semester credits to meet the requirements of the Perkins V Statewide Articulation Agreement.

Dr. Burket also reported that there are 11 schools seeking PDE approval to offer the newly-developed Program of Study in Education that was created under Act 55. Schools will be able to offer the program to students beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Burket said gaining PDE approval for this program means the schools will be eligible for the secondary CTE subsidy which reimburses schools based on the average daily membership of students enrolled in a PDE-approved CTE program.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **ACTION ITEM**

#### **Resolution Honoring Dr. Lee Burket**

A motion to approve a resolution honoring Dr. Lee Burket was made by Dr. Lee Williams and seconded by James Agras.

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 1:46 p.m. on an Aichele/Hetrick motion.

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