



CONNECTICUT TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CAREER SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

PLATT TECHINCAL HIGH SCHOOL, MIFORD, CT

Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2023

Attendees

Present	Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Chairperson; Jeff Auker, Board Member; Christine Benz, Board Member; Todd Berch, Proxy for Dante Bartolomeo; Jim Gildea, Board Member; Lance Hall, Board Member; Paul Lavoie, Proxy for Alexandra Daum; Kathy Dempsey, Proxy for Charlene M. Russell-Tucker
Not Present	Karen Wosczyzna-Birch, Board Member; Kelli-Marie Vallieres, Board Member

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
I. Call to Order	Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca called the meeting to order at 9:10am and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
II. Public Participation	There was no public participation.
III. Trade Programming Spotlight	<p>Dr. Justin Lowe, Platt Tech Principal, introduced students (Brain and Natalie) to share their experience at Platt Tech and future educational goals.</p> <p>Mr. Pasquale Ciarleglio, Ms. Jen Jennings (Executive Director of CHCC) and Joe Pleckia (Education Chairman of CHCC) presented the Connecticut Heating and Cooling Contracting Association (CHCC) Timothy G. Davenport Scholarship awards to the 5 recipients.</p> <p>The Board recognized the culinary students for the breakfast that was prepared for the meeting. Students shared their future career goals after graduation.</p>
IV. CTECS Teacher of the Year Recognition	<p>Dr. Ellen Solek, Ms. Ronke Stallings and the SVFT leadership presented the CTECS Teacher of the Year Recognition Awards to faculty.</p> <p>CTECS Teacher of the Year Award: Mr. Derrick Nadeau, Emmett O'Brien Tech, Electrical Trade.</p>
V. Committee Reports	
A. Outreach and Partnership Committee	Mr. Paul Lavoie gave an update from the last Outreach and Partnership Committee meeting to the Board.
Connecticut Workforce Summit Report	Dr. Ellen Solek presented the Connecticut Workforce Summit Report to the Board.

<p><i>Emmett O'Brien Machining Equipment Follow Up</i></p> <p>B. Policy Review Committee</p> <p><i>CTECS 2023-2024 School Calendar</i></p> <p><i>CTECS 2023 Graduation Dates</i></p> <p><i>CTECS 2023-2024 Healthy Food Certification (HFC)</i></p>	<p>Mr. Lawrence Pomerleau and Ms. Ronke Stallings updated the Board on the Emmett O'Brien Machining Equipment needs.</p> <p>Mr. Todd Berch gave an update from the last Policy Review Committee meeting to the Board.</p> <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned, Board Member Hall moved, and Board Member Benz seconded approval of the CTECS 2023-2024 School Calendar as presented.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Benz, Berch, Gildea, Lavoie, Vallieres, Dempsey, Hall Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Vallieres, Wosczyrna-Birch Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned, Board Member Berch moved, and Board Member Benz seconded approval of the CTECS 2023 Graduation Dates as presented.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Benz, Berch, Gildea, Lavoie, Vallieres, Dempsey, Hall Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Vallieres, Wosczyrna-Birch Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca recommended that Board members volunteer to attend graduation ceremonies by signing up with Ms. Ronke Stallings.</p> <p>Mr. Paul Lewis and Mr. Benjamin Slogesky presented the CTECS 2023-2024 Healthy Food Certifications to the Board.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pursuant to C.G.S Section 10-215f, the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System Board of Education certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2023 through June 20, 2024. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups. <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned, Board Member Gildea moved, and Board Member Berch seconded approval of the committee recommended vote of No, as presented.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Benz, Berch, Gildea, Lavoie, Vallieres, Dempsey, Hall</p>
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<p>C. Finance and Facilities Committee <i>CTECS Financial Report</i></p> <p><i>Safety and Security Facilities Update</i></p>	<p>Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Vallieres, Wosczyrna-Birch Motion carried unanimously</p> <p>2. The Connecticut Technical Education and Career System Board of Education will allow the sale to students of beverages not listed in Section 10-211q of the Connecticut General Statutes provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; 3) the beverages are not sold from the vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regular scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. The “school day” is the period from midnight before and to 20 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the beverage sales.</p> <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned, Board Member Gildea moved, and Board Member Hall seconded approval of the committee recommended vote of Yes, as presented. Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Benz, Berch, Gildea, Lavoie, Vallieres, Dempsey, Hall Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Vallieres, Wosczyrna-Birch Motion carried unanimously</p> <p>Ms. Kisha Richardson presented the CTECS Financial Report Overview to the Board.</p> <p>Mr. Richard Cavallaro, Mr. John Woodmansee and Mr. Donald Poulin presented the Safety and Security Facilities Updates to the Board.</p>
<p>VI. Items Requiring Action</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>CTECS 2023-2024 School Calendar</i> 2. <i>CTECS 2023 Graduation Dates</i> 3. <i>CTECS 2023-2024 Healthy Food Certification (HFC)</i> 4. <i>April 19, 2023 Minutes</i> <p>Due to unexpected staff shortages, minutes are not available.</p>
<p>VII. Report of the Executive Director</p> <p>A. <i>Talent Development Report</i></p> <p>B. <i>Statewide Advisory Committee Meeting Outcomes</i></p>	<p>Mr. Robert Sartoris and Ms. Erin Ryan presented the Talent Development Report to the Board.</p> <p>Mr. Marc Hussey reviewed the Statewide Advisory Committee meeting outcomes with the Board.</p>

<i>C. Work Based Learning Report</i>	Ms. Patricia King presented the Work Based Learning Report to the Board.
<i>D. Program Expansion Initiatives</i>	Dr. Ellen Solek looks forward to discussing future initiatives that are underway.
<i>E. Interim Superintendent Appointment</i>	Dr. Ellen Solek advised that the Board will be meeting on May 22, 2023 to finalize the appointment of the interim superintendent, which she has a strong candidate for recommendation.
VIII. Report of the Chair	Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca stated that the PAC meeting, Bullard-Havens ceremony and Teacher of the Year Award are examples of excellence within the system and our adherence to our goals to ensure that CTECS is a premier school system in the state of Connecticut that provides a well-educated and extremely skilled workforce.
IX. Adjournment	<p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned, Board Member Berch moved, and Board Member Benz seconded to adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Benz, Berch, Gildea, Lavoie, Vallieres, Dempsey, Hall</p> <p>Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Vallieres, Wosczyzna-Birch</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:05am.</p>

Transcribed by: Andreesa Gidi, Executive Secretary, CTECS