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Joint Operating Committee Notes

The Beaver County Career & Technology Center's Joint Operating Committee (JOC) held a regular meeting on Thursday, October 24, 2024, via Zoom/in-person/teleconference, was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Ms. Catherine Colalella; Aliquippa, Mrs. Mary Jo Kehoe; Ambridge, Ms. Merilu Hill; Beaver, Mr. Ron Miller; Beaver Falls, Mr. Dennis Bloom; Central Valley, Mr. Gerald Inman III; Freedom, Mrs. Carla Buxton; Hopewell, Mrs. Bernadette Mattica; New Brighton, Mrs. Christy Hughes; Riverside, Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins; Rochester, Mr. Michael Rounds; South Side and Mr. John Metzler; Western Beaver.

Members Absent: Mr. Andrew Huzyak; Blackhawk and Mr. Chris Becker; Midland.

The following items were ratified/approved on the agenda:

1. Approved the minutes of September 26, 2024, regular meeting.
2. Approved the Treasurers' Report for the various financial accounts of September 2024 and the listing of bills for the month of October 2024.
3. Approved the recording of the voting session only of the Joint Operating Committee meetings for the purpose of transcription. Recordings will be permanently deleted once the minutes are approved.
4. Approved Meghan McLaughlin as the BVIU Emergency Substitute teacher for the 2024-2025 School year.
5. Approved the following articulation agreements:
 - a. Rosedale Technical College to offer five (5) credits through Diversified Occupations for Course R-208, Get Employed/Stay Employed based on meeting the standard admission criteria. The applicant must have achieved a grade of "B" or better in their technical program of study and overall high school GPA of 3.00 and a 90% attendance rate. Effective date is retroactive to May 24, 2024, and may be terminated at annual review with written notice 90 days in advance.
 - b. Community College of Allegheny County and the Beaver County CTC Health Occupations to receive three (3) credits in First Aid and Athletic Injuries for graduates of 2024, 2025 and 2026 School Years. Agreement may be terminated if either party makes any changes in curriculum, standards, or CIP Codes in writing within thirty (30) days of the change. Student must meet the criteria for qualification under the terms and conditions of CCAC's STAR Articulation Agreement.

Participating School Districts

Aliquippa School District • Ambridge Area School District • Beaver Area School District • Big Beaver Falls Area School District • Blackhawk School District
 Central Valley School District • Freedom Area School District • Hopewell Area School District • Midland Borough School District • New Brighton School District
 Riverside Beaver County School District • Rochester Area School District • South Side Area School District • Western Beaver County School District

- c. Community College of Allegheny County and Beaver County CTC Culinary Arts to receive up to nine (9) credits in Food Service and Sanitation, Fundamentals of Culinary Skills and Introduction to Baking for 2024, 2025 and 2026 School Years. Agreement may be terminated if either party makes any changes in curriculum, standards, or CIP Codes in writing within thirty (30) days of the change. Student must meet the criteria for qualification under the terms and conditions of CCAC's STAR Articulation Agreement
- d. Community College of Allegheny County and Beaver County CTC Culinary Arts to receive up to twelve (12) credits in Introduction to Baking, Fundamentals of Culinary Skills and Basic Garde Manager Techniques for 2024, 2025 and 2026 School Years. Agreement may be terminated if either party makes any changes in curriculum, standards, or CIP Codes in writing within thirty (30) days of the change. Student must meet the criteria for qualification under the terms and conditions of CCAC's STAR Articulation Agreement.

6. Approved/ratified the following workshops/conferences/trips:

- a. Mrs. Elizabeth Lanshcak, Diversified Occupations Instructor, to attend the Cooperative Education Coordinator conference, October 16-18, 2024, at Penn State University, State College PA. Total cost of trip is \$909.12.
- b. Mr. Dominic Darenkamp, Cosmetology Instructor, to attend the Avtec "All About Nails" at the Admiral Peary Vocational Center, Ebensburg, PA on October 24-25, 2024. Total cost is \$377.44.
- c. Mr. Ben Piper, Culinary Arts Instructor, Mr. Jon Kaszer, Culinary Arts Instructional Assistant and Ms. Sue Chance, Learning Facilitator and forty (40) students to tour the Brighton Hot Dog Shop Commissary and Milk House Meats on Wednesday, October 30, 2024, full day. Total cost is \$400.00.
- d. Mr. David Liptak, Carpentry Instructor, Mr. Macuga, Electrical Occupations Instructor, Mr. Lehocky, Greenhouse/Landscape Instructor, Mr. Ostronic, HVAC Instructor, Ms. Kuriger, Learning Facilitator, Ms. Liller, School Counselor, Mr. Majors, Learning Facilitator and eighty (80) students to attend the Builder's Guild Build on Event on Friday, November 1, 2024. Total cost is \$870.00. Southwest Corner Workforce Development will reimburse for the cost of one bus which is not included in the above total.
- e. Mr. Ben Piper, Culinary Arts Instructor, Ms. Sue Chance and Mr. Jon Kaszer, and forty (40) students to tour Laurel Technical Institute on Wednesday, November 20, 2025, full day. Total estimated cost of trip is \$530.00.
- f. Ms. Nicole Todd, Health Occupations Instructor and, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitsch, Health Occupations Instructional Aide, Mrs. Elizabeth Lanshcak, Diversified Occupations Instructor, Mr. Dan LaRue, School Counselor and forty-five (45) students to visit Children's Hospital for career exploration, on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, full day. Total cost of trip is \$400.00.

- g. Mrs. Dolores Mason, Cosmetology Instructor, to attend the Integrated Learning Conference at Penn State University, State College, PA, November 5-8, 2024. Total cost is \$1,491.56.
- h. Mr. Dan Mengel, Automotive Instructor to attend the Integrated Learning Conference November 6-8, 2024 at Penn State University, State College. Total cost is \$1102.66.
- i. Mr. Dan Ostronic, SkillsUSA Advisor and Ms. Lauri Conti, SkillsUSA Advisor and twenty (20) students to attend the 2024 SkillsUSA Fall Leadership PA Western Region Leadership Training Workshop November 6-8, 2024, at Seven Springs, Champion PA. Total cost of trip is \$10,307.73.
- j. Mr. Albert Kollinger, Collision Repair Instructor, Mr. Nick Tisak, Collision Repair Instructor and forty-seven (47) students to visit Auto Illusions in Coraopolis, PA on Thursday, November 14, 2024, full day. Total cost is \$387.00.
- k. Ms. Nicole Todd, Health Occupations Instructor, Mrs. Stephanie Vuckovich, Veterinary Assistant Instructor, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitsch, Health Occupations Instructional Aide, and twenty-five (25) students to attend the HOSA Leadership Conference March 25- 28, 2025 in Lancaster, PA. Total cost of trip is \$13,875.00.

Laura DelVecchio

Administrative Director