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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, September 28, 2023, via Zoom/ in-person/teleconference, called to order at 6:33 p.m.

**Members Present:** Ms. Catherine Colalella; Aliquippa, Mrs. Mary Jo Kehoe; Ambridge, Mr. Luke Berardelli; Beaver (zoom), Mr. Ron Miller; Beaver Falls, Mr. Dan Jones; Blackhawk, Mr. Dennis Bloom; Central Valley, Mr. Gerald Inman III; Freedom, Mrs. Carla Buxton; Hopewell, Mrs. Bernadette Mattica; New Brighton, Mrs. Christy Hughes; Riverside, Mr. Floyd Tame; Rochester, and Mr. John Metzler; Western Beaver and Mr. Robert Tellish; South Side (zoom).

**Members Absent:** Midland (Vacant)

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### **The following items were ratified/approved on the agenda:**

1. Approved the minutes of the August 24, 2023 meeting.
2. Approved the Treasurers' Report for the various financial accounts of August 2023 and the listing of bills for the month of September 2023.
3. Ratified a Memorandum of Understanding with the Center Twp. Police.
4. Approved the Pennsylvania Department of Education Comprehensive Plan for the 2021-2024 academic years.
5. Approved the settlement effective immediately and resignation of David Wytiaz effective September 29, 2023 and authorization to advertise and begin search for a new director.
6. Approved Ms. Kennedy Bonner as the Cosmetology Instructional Assistant at a salary of \$33,000.00 (pro-rated) effective Monday, October 2, 2023.
7. Approved Ms. Brandy Gallagher from part time Perkins to full time Perkins Instructional Assistant at a salary of \$39,280.00.
8. Rehired Mr. Alan Valasek through Express Employment as a day-to-day substitute at a rate of \$175.00 to serve as the Automotive Instructional Assistant.
9. Approved a salary adjustment for employee #202 at a rate of \$ 21.00/hour effective September 28, 2023.
10. Approved PSBA Election of Officers and authorized the Board Secretary to cast votes as designated by the JOC.
11. Approved Administration to provide notifications to listed member school districts for terms of office for Beaver Falls, Blackhawk, Midland, Riverside and Rochester.
12. Approved the Beaver County CTC School Counseling plan 2023-2027 in accordance with Pennsylvania Department of Education 339 guidelines.
13. Approved and Articulation Agreement in with Community College of Allegheny County and Beaver County CTC for the Health Occupations program.
14. Approved the BVIU Substitute for the 2023-2024 School year.

#### 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

15. Approved student driver parking permits for \$20.00 and replacement cars for \$10.00.
16. Approved/ratified the following workshops/conferences/field trips:
- a. Mr. Arnold Shaner, Masonry Instructor and forty (40) students, to attend the Bricklayer Competition at Highmark Stadium, Pittsburgh PA on Thursday, September 7, 2023, full day. Total cost is \$327.00.
  - b. Mr. Dan Ostronic, SkillsUSA Advisor, Ms. Laurie Conti, SkillsUSA Assistant Advisor and one (1) student to attend the SkillsUSA Western Region Planning Meeting at Forbes CTC, Pittsburgh, PA for half day (p.m.). September 14, 2023. There is no cost.
  - c. Mr. Albert Kollinger, Collision Repair Instructor, Mr. Dan Gallagher, Collision Repair Instructional assistant and forty-three (43) students to tour Copart in Ellwood City, PA, full day on Monday, October 11, 2023. Total cost is \$353.00.
  - d. Mr. George Metz, Machine Tool Instructor to attend the BotsIQ Teacher professional development Day September 19, 2023, full day, in Homestead, PA. Total cost is \$151.16.
  - e. Mrs. Stephanie Vuckovich, Veterinary Assistant Instructor and both sessions of students for a half day field trip to the Beaver County Humane Society on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. There is no cost.
  - f. Ms. Elizabeth Lanshcak, Diversified Occupations Instructor, to attend the Pennsylvania Cooperative Education Conference, October 18-20, 2023, at Penn State University Main Campus. Total cost is \$2,440.55.
  - g. Ms. Laurie Conti, SkillsUSA Assistant Advisor and one (1) student to attend the Region 1 State Officer Training in Portland, Maine from October 19- 22, 2023. Total cost is \$2,440.55.
  - h. Mr. Dan Mengel, Automotive Instructor and Mr. Alan Valasek , Automotive Instructional assistant substitute and thirty (30) students to visit Channel Lock in Meadville, PA on October 25, 2023, all day. Total cost is \$450.00.
  - i. Mr. Randy Reed, Cooperative Education Instructor to attend the Integrated Learning Conference at Penn State, Main Campus, from November 7-10,2023. Total cost is \$1,154.10.
  - j. Ms. Jamie Kuriger, Learning Facilitator, to attend the Annual Integrated Learning Conference for Special Education at Penn State, Main Campus from November 7-10,2023. Total cost is \$1154.10.
  - k. Ms. Renee DiGiacomo, Business Information Systems Instructor, Mr. Fran Mano, Commercial Arts Instructor, Ms. Nicole Demark, Graphic Arts Instructor and one hundred seventeen (117) students to tour Pittsburgh Technical College in Robinson Twp., PA on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, for a full day. Transportation paid for by PTC. Total cost is \$125.00 if a substitute is needed.
17. Approved a stipend for renumeration for the Acting Administrative Director of \$3,000.00/month until no longer in that role retroactive to June 6, 2023.

*Ms. Laura DelVecchio*

Acting Administrative Director