



**Washoe County School District
Career & Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills
Committee
Meeting Minutes**

May 14, 2018

1. OPENING ITEMS

1.01 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Robin Tanner at 5:35 P.M. in the Board Room of the WCSD Administration Building, 425 East 9th Street, Reno, Nevada.

1.02 Roll Call

Members Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Josh Redding, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox were present. Members Christie Gescheider, Ila Atchabowski, Matt MacKay, and Tracie Monserrate were absent. Committee liaison Dr. Dana Ryan was present.

1.03 Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

1.04 Action to Adopt the Agenda

On motion by Dr. Diane Nicolet, second by Edward Jensen, the Career & Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee approved the agenda (Yea: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Josh Redding, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 9-0

2. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, PRESENTATION AND/OR ACTION

2.01 Discussion and Possible Action to Select a Chair of the Career and Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee for a term beginning May 14, 2018 through June 30, 2019 from the current committee members: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Christie Gescheider, Ila Atchabowski, Jay Rathman, Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Matt MacKay, Denise Castle, Josh Reddig, Tracie Monserrate, Debbie Biersdorff, and Sydney Fox (For Possible Action)

On motion by Denise Castle, second by Jay Rathman, the Career & Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee elected Josh Reddig for Chair. (Yea: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 8-0

- 2.02 Discussion and Possible Action to Select a Vice-Chair of the Career and Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee for a term beginning May 14, 2018 through June 30, 2019 from the current committee members: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Christie Gescheider, Ila Atchabowski, Jay Rathman, Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Matt MacKay, Denise Castle, Josh Reddig, Tracie Monserrate, Debbie Biersdorff, and Sydney Fox (For Possible Action)**

On motion by Denise Castle, second by Jay Rathman, the Career & Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee elected Edward Jensen for Vice-Chair. (Yea: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 8-0

- 2.03 Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Career and Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee from November 21, 2017 (For Possible Action)**

On motion by Robin Tanner, second by Edward Jensen, the minutes were approved with the changes of grammatical errors on items 2.05, 2.07 and 2.09. (Yea: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Josh Reddig, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 9-0

- 2.04 Discussion and Possible Action to approve the meeting dates for the 2018-19 school year, to include a proposal to conduct Career and Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee and Council for Career and Technical Education on the same date for future meetings (For Discussion and Possible Action)**

On motion by Angie Hernandez, second by Jay Rathman, the committee agreed to hold the meetings on the same date. (Yea: Robin Tanner, Edward Jensen, Jay Rathman, Dr. Diane Nicolet, Angie Hernandez, Denise Castle, Josh Reddig, Debbie Biersdorff and Sydney Fox). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 9-0

- 2.05 Report on the College and Career Ready High School Diploma requirements and corresponding opportunities for earning college-ready and career-ready endorsements (For Discussion Only)**

For the specific College and Career Ready High School Diploma requirements please refer to the available handouts on committee website at <https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/10760>. The new diploma honors the coursework students have been taking which meet either diploma criteria. The diploma will send a clear signal to colleges and employers that they have the knowledge and skills to be ready for the next level. Promotion will be done district wide as well as outside the Washoe County

School District. Schools will have the support they need to get the information to parents and students on why the College and Career Ready High School Diploma is a good option.

2.06 Report on the Washoe County School District's state of Career & Technical Education to include State Assessment Outcomes, Quality Program Standards Review Outcomes; Community Outreach Activities; Student Competition Results; and District Goals for Career and Technical Education. (For Discussion Only)

With new facilities being built, more opportunities are being created for students. Overall enrollment has gone from 24% in 2012 to 36% in 2017. Program completion has gone from 112 to 905 students from 2012 to 2017. CTE students have a higher graduation rate. Advanced placement options are being added to the CTE coursework to validate that some CTE work is rigorous. Community outreach is done throughout the year with annual events such as *Passport to High School Success*, *Business of Education Luncheon* and *Salute to Signatures and CTE*. Sparks High School met many standards on the Quality Program Standards Review Outcome. The review resulted in a positive outcome.

2.07 Report on progress of work-based learning implementation to include community partnerships, student impact and implementation plans for 2018-19 (For Discussion Only)

Work-based learning will be expanded to career exploration in elementary school to applied in high school. The CTE Department is collaborating with Denise Castle at JOIN to create a variety of opportunities to students. A more defined model will be available in September.

2.08 Discussion and Possible Action to provide recommendations to the Superintendent to improve curriculum, design, content and operation of future career and technical education programs to ensure graduates are appropriately trained to enter and succeed in the regional workforce. Discussion will be focused on ways to strengthen and improve career and technical education programs (CTE) in Washoe County School District to include suggestions for the types of CTE programs to be offered at new high schools and potential for CTE programs in the middle schools (For Possible Action)

The legislator approved funding for CTE programs in the middle schools. Currently, work is being done, with input from middle school principals, to put together the standards for those programs. The Department of Education approved ROTC as a CTE program this year. Reed High School will be the pilot for the 18-19 school year. Once the new high school at Wild Creek opens, Hug will become a CTE school due to open Fall of 2023. The current facilities will be left at Hug High School with the addition to new one to meet the regional growth for the next 20 years. No final determination will be made for either school until we are closer to the

opening date. The committee requested more data before taking action. Since no recommendations were made, this agenda item has been tabled for the next meeting.

3. CLOSING ITEMS

3.01 Announcement of Next Regular Meeting

The next meeting of the Career & Technical Education Advisory Technical Skills Committee will be on Monday, September 10, 2018.

3.02 Public Comment

Chris Vicencio, a partner with JK Architecture Engineering, was present. He thanked the committee for the work they are doing to get students thinking about different career opportunities and getting ready to start a career right out of high school.

3.03 Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business, Chair Josh Reddig adjourned the meeting at 7:17 P.M.