



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Connecticut Apprenticeship and Education Committee  
February 10, 2020  
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Connecticut Department of Labor  
200 Folly Brook Boulevard  
Wethersfield, CT 06109

The meeting for Apprenticeship and Education was held on February 10, 2020. The meeting convened at 1:06 p.m. and the following members were present:

Present: Dr. James Lombella, Co-chair, Northwest Regional President, CT Community Colleges  
Dr. Melissa Hickey, Co-chair, Connecticut State Department of Education  
Margaret Van Cott, Executive Assistant to the Three Regional Presidents  
Richard Dupont, Housatonic Community College  
Kathy Marioni, CETC  
Todd Berch, Connecticut Department of Labor  
Alyce Stiles, CCAT  
Cristina Stisser, CTECS  
Juliette Khan, CT Department of Labor  
Cyndi Zoldy, Small Manufacturers Association of CT and Women in Manufacturing  
Cliff Thermer, Goodwin University

Phone: Dr. Karen Birch, State Director, Connecticut College of Technology  
Mary Bidwell, Interim Dean of Advanced Manufacturing, Asnuntuck

Absent: Tracy Ariel, Manchester and Middlesex Community Colleges

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Approval of Minutes from January 29, 2020**

Motion to approve the minutes with no changes, edits, or deletion done by Todd Berch, seconded by Rich Dupont. All in favor. No abstained. 8-0 Vote.

**III. Membership**

Discussion of members needed and names that were put forth to the committee. The committee voted on three names. Motion was made by Todd Berch to accept the three people discussed. Seconded by Cyndi Zoldy. All in favor. No abstained. 10-0 vote.

**IV. Other Topics:**

- A. Memberships-discussion of members that need to be invited to the meetings. People were asked to follow up with members they thought should be invited. We will follow-up on this topic at the next meeting.
- B. Discussion on the agenda for the next meeting
- C. Dates for next two meetings
  - 1. February 28, 2020, 2 p.m.-4 p.m. at Tunxis Community College
  - 2. March 10, 2020 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55p.m. Rich Dupont motioned the adjournment and Todd Berch seconded the motion. All in favor, no abstained. Vote 8-0.