



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Manufacturing Committee
March 17, 2017
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT)
222 Pitkin Street, East Hartford, CT

The meeting for the education in manufacturing committee meeting was held on March 17, 2017.
The meeting convened at 8:42 a.m. and the following members were present:

Present: James Lombella-co-chair, Asnuntuck Community College
Melissa Hickey-co-chair, Connecticut State Department of Education
Cliff Thermer, Goodwin College
Robert Michalik, Department of Economic and Community Development
Todd Berch, Connecticut Department of Labor
John Dague, Enfield Public Schools
Susan Palisano, CCAT, Education & Workforce Development
Margaret Van Cott, Asnuntuck Community College

Absent: Chris Foster, Asnuntuck Community College
Frank Gulluni, Director of AMTC, Asnuntuck Community College
Gillian Rondinone, East Hartford Public Schools
Robert Segal, Aerospace
Emma Durao, East Granby Public Schools
John Murphy, CTHSS
Richard Dupont, HCC Foundation
Chris DePentima, Pegasus Manufacturing and Chair of ACM
Kathy Marioni, Connecticut Department of Labor
Pamela Tonello, Capital Workforce Partners
Paul Murphy, Mallory Industries
Rich Dupont, Executive Director of HCC Foundation/Director Manufacturing Technology

Via Phone: Christine Mahoney, East Granby Public Schools
Louis Manzione, University of Hartford

Audience: Tracy Ariel

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes from January 9, 2017: Todd Berch moved the motion to accept and Rob Michalik seconded the motion. All agreed.

III. Introductions

IV. Review “Careers in Manufacturing” Document: Committee discussed document and suggested changes. All changes will be captured by Margaret Van Cott and will be disseminated at the next meeting for further discussion.

Todd Berch offered to design a flow chart to help keep things organized and for everyone to better understand.

V. Discuss Committee Membership: Committee agreed to add additional members. We are looking for employers at manufacturing companies. Tracy Ariel volunteered to contact employers to gauge interest and inform committee of the results. There was discussion on including more K-16 educators. A suggestion was made by Sue Palisano to invite a Hartford Public Schools principal to join. A motion was made by Rob Michalik to invite at least three (3) manufactures and one (1) educator to join the committee and seconded by Todd Berch. All agreed. Todd Berch made a motion to ask Tracy Ariel to join the committee as a higher education representative and seconded by Clifford Thermer. All agreed and Tracy Ariel accepted. Committee discussed ways in which to capture educators opinions and voices in the work of the committee. They may not all join the committee but will be in the audience with hopefully some great ideas. An email will be sent by Jim and Melissa asking everyone that is on the committee to confirm their membership and commitment to the committee.

VI. Organize for Next Steps

- a. Committee reviewed Manufacturing Committee Advanced Organizer.
- b. Sue Palisano presented on Dream It. Do It. She provided handouts and her power point presentation will be emailed to the committee at a later date.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.