



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Manufacturing Committee

June 9, 2017

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU) Board of Regents

61 Woodland Street

Hartford, CT 06105

The meeting for the education in manufacturing committee meeting was held on June 9, 2017.
The meeting convened at 8:35 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
Susan Palisano, CCAT, Education & Workforce Development
Kathy Marioni, Connecticut Department of Labor
Todd Berch, Connecticut Department of Labor
Cliff Thermer, Goodwin College
Paul Murphy, Mallory Industries
John Murphy, CTHSS
John Dague, Enfield Public Schools
Margaret Van Cott, Asnuntuck Community College
Kelli-Marie Vallieres-Eastern Advanced Manufacturing Association
Christine Mahoney, East Granby Public Schools
Tracy Ariel-Director, Advanced Manufacturing & CT ECO Program
Gillian Rondinone, East Hartford Public Schools
Richard Dupont, HCC Foundation
Louis Manzione, University of Hartford
Jamison Scott, Air Handling System
Andrea Comer, CBIA Education and Workforce Partnership
Howard Jenkins, Electric Boat

Absent: Chris Foster, Asnuntuck Community College
Robert Segal, Aerospace
Emma Durao, East Granby Public Schools
Pamela Tonello, Capital Workforce Partners
Frank Gulluni, AMSC

Robert Michalik, Department of Economic and Community
Chris DePentima, Pegasus Manufacturing and Chair of ACM

I. Call to Order:

II. Approval of Minutes from March 17, 2016:

Minutes were so moved by Todd Berch, accepted by Paul Murphy and seconded by Tracy Ariel. All approved.

III. Introductions:

Introductions around the table as we had new members joining us: Kelli-Marie Vallieres, Howard Jenkins, and Jamison Scott. James Lombella also announced that joining the committee will be Cynthia Zioli who could not attend the meeting this morning.

IV. Discuss Committee Membership and Welcome New Members:

Discussion on committee commitment. In August or September 2017, all committee members will be asked to commit again for another year.

V. Organize for Next Steps (Part II)

Discussed the organizer, the Public Act, and committee expectations. Also, discussed the summary sheet of the ideas from the committee. Still looking for new ideas.

Discussion was had regarding splitting into workgroups. Each workgroup will have a chair person and someone to take notes. Each workgroup will meet once every other month and the main committee will also meet once a month. The workgroups will switch on the months.

Workgroup One-The Intro Program

Todd Berch
Rich Dupont
Sue Palisano
Andrea Comer
Lou Manzione
Jamison Scott
Gillian Rondinone
Christine Mahoney
Cliff Thermer

Workgroup Two-Best Practices

Kelli-Marie Vailleres
Howard Jenkins
Sue Palisano

Tracy Ariel
John Dague
Cliff Thermer
Christine Mahoney
Paul Murphy

Some members elected to be on both workgroups.

Rich Dupont and Christine Mahoney are the co-chairs of the workgroup one (the Intro Program). Gillian Rondinone is will be scribe for the workgroup. Their next meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2017 at BOR at 8:30 a.m.

Sue Palisano is the chair for workgroup two (Best Practices) with Tracy Ariel being the scribe. Their meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2017 at CCAT at 8:30 a.m. Tracy Ariel is sending invites to the workgroup.

VI. Other Topics

- a. Todd Berch discussed the importance of career and technical classes in the high schools. He shared the certificate he created that honors students taking manufacturing classes in high school.
- b. Tracy Ariel handed out a draft summary of credit-bearing programs in Connecticut high schools and in colleges available for high school students.

Next full committee meeting will be August 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at the BOR.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. to have workgroups meet. Rich Dupont motioned it, Christine Mahoney seconded the motion.