**VENANGO TECHNOLOGY CENTER**
**JOINT COMMITTEE**
**1 Vo-Tech Drive**
**Oil City, Pennsylvania 16301**

# MINUTES

**April 7, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Venango Technology Center Joint Committee was held this evening in the Cafeteria of the Venango Technology Center, 1 Vo-Tech Drive, Oil City, PA 16301. Mrs. Ferry called the meeting to order at seven o'clock (7:00) p.m.

Mrs. Ferry asked the members to pause for a moment of silence.

Mrs. Ferry asked the members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**: Present: Shari Neely, Ben Carbaugh (Zoom), Troy Johnston, Andy Boland, Justin McFall, Lynn Cressman (Zoom), Monica Chatham (Zoom), Todd Carson, Cheryl Ferry.

Absent: Mark Marterella

Also Present: Mr. Mario Fontanazza, Dr. Eugene Thomas

Mrs. Ferry stated the Joint Committee members had received copies of the Minutes of the March 3, 2025, meeting. She asked if there were any additions, corrections or deletions.

Mrs. Neely, seconded by Mr. McFall, moved to approve the Minutes of the March 3, 2025, meeting as submitted.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Shari Neely, Ben Carbaugh, Troy Johnston, Andy Boland, Justin McFall, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Todd Carson, Cheryl Ferry.

Nayes: None, motion carried.

The Treasurer and Secretary's Report as of 4/7/25 were submitted for information.

Mrs. Neely, seconded by Mr. McFall, moved to accept the Treasurer and Secretary's Report as of 4/7/25 as submitted.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Shari Neely, Ben Carbaugh, Troy Johnston, Andy Boland, Justin McFall, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Todd Carson, Cheryl Ferry.

Nayes: None, motion carried.

The motion was unanimously approved.

A list of bills from 3/4/25 – 4/7/25 in the amount of $763,287.78 were presented for approval.

Mrs. Neely, seconded by Mr. McFall, moved to approve the list of bills as presented.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Shari Neely, Ben Carbaugh, Troy Johnston, Andy Boland, Justin McFall, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Todd Carson, Cheryl Ferry.

Nayes: None, motion carried.

Under Communications, Mr. Fontanazza discussed the Professional Advisory Committee. There has been ongoing discussion regarding the busing reimbursement that the sending schools receive from the state. Since Oil City does not bus students to the VTC, they do not receive any reimbursement; however, they do contribute to the overall payment of transportation costs with their ADM percentage. The Eighth Amendment to the Articles of Agreement, included in the action items, below, addresses allocation of transportation subsidy amongst the sending school districts in order for each school to receive its share of reimbursement.

Also discussed was the Calendar of Events for the month of April. The Monthly Enrollment Report as of 4/7/25 was submitted.

Mr. Carson, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve action items 8. a) i. - ix. in one motion as follows:

i) Approve additions to the Occupational Advisory Committees.
ii) Approve advertising for the Director position.
iii) Approve textbook for Machine Tool Technology, "Precision Machining Technology" 4th Edition by Peter J. Hoffman and Eric S. Hopewell. Funding – NTMA
iv) Approve Diana Braun retroactively as bus driver for Forest Area Schools, effective 3/20/25.
v) Approve Cindy Cornelius to attend the PAPNA conference in State College on May 7-8, 2025, at a cost not to exceed $800.00. Funding – Practical Nursing.
vi) Approve Julie Cartney, Leslie Davis, Heidi Steger, and Kelly Weaver to attend the PAPNA Faculty Conference in State College on May 7, 2025, at a cost not to exceed $1,500.00. Funding – Practical Nursing.
vii) Approve Letter of Resignation of Robert Nurss, Electronics Technology Instructor.
viii) Approve advertising for Electronics Technology Instructor.
ix) Approve Eighth Amendment to Articles of Agreement – Allocation of Transportation Subsidy amongst sending school districts, effective with the 2025-2026 school year.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Shari Neely, Ben Carbaugh, Troy Johnston, Andy Boland, Justin McFall, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Todd Carson, Cheryl Ferry.

Nayes: None, motion carried.

Mr. Fontanazza discussed his activities for March.

Mrs. Ferry asked if there was any old business.

None was noted.

Mrs. Ferry asked if there was any new business.

None was noted.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Carson, the meeting adjourned at nine minutes past seven (7:09) p.m.

Recorded by

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Secretary, Joint Committee