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

MINUTES

March 2, 2026

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. Neely called the meeting to order at seven o'clock (7:00) p.m.

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

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

Roll Call: Present: Justin McFall, Mark Marterella, Ben Carbaugh, Dennis Baker, Cheryl Ferry (Zoom), Lynn Cressman (Zoom), Monica Chatham (Zoom), Cindy Swendsen, Shari Neely

Absent: Troy Johnston

Also Present: Mr. Bob Moore and Dr. Lynda Weller

Mrs. Neely stated the Joint Committee members had received copies of the Minutes of the February 2, 2026 meeting.

Mr. Marterella, seconded by Mr. Carbaugh, moved to approve the Minutes of the February 2, 2026 meeting as submitted.

Roll Call: Ayes: Justin McFall, Mark Marterella, Ben Carbaugh, Dennis Baker, Cheryl Ferry, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Cindy Swendsen, Shari Neely

Nayes: None, motion carried.

The Treasurer and Secretary's Report as of 3/2/26 was submitted for information.

Mr. Marterella, seconded by Mr. McFall, moved to accept the Treasurer and Secretary's Report as of 3/2/26.

Roll Call: Ayes: Justin McFall, Mark Marterella, Ben Carbaugh, Dennis Baker, Cheryl Ferry, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Cindy Swendsen, Shari Neely

Nayes: None, motion carried.

A list of bills from 2/3/26 – 3/2/26 in the amount of $419,965.91 was presented for approval.

Mr. Carbaugh, seconded by Mrs. Swendsen, moved to approve the list of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Justin McFall, Mark Marterella, Ben Carbaugh, Dennis Baker, Cheryl Ferry, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Cindy Swendsen, Shari Neely

Nayes: None, motion carried.

Under Communications, Mr. Moore discussed the Professional Advisory Committee. Mrs. Neely questioned the difference in tuition between Point Park University and IUP. Mr. Moore explained that the rates were comparable and the choice of attendance would be at the discretion of the instructor.

Mr. Moore reported that two Culinary Arts students attended the ProStart Cake Decorating competition in Hershey last week and won first place. That competition does not advance into a national competition.

Mrs. Swendsen asked about the Service Occupations program discussed at the February meeting. Mr. Moore noted that at this time, information is being gathered but there are no immediate plans to open this program. It would be at least three years before it could receive approval and open to students.

The Enrollment Report as of 3/2/26 was submitted.

Mr. Marterella, seconded by Mr. Carbaugh, moved to approve action Item 8. a) i. – vii. in one motion, as follows:

i. Approve changes to OAC members.
ii. Approve school calendar for 2026-2027.
iii. Approve Cindy Cornelius to attend the PAPNA administrators conference in State College May 14-15, 2026 at a cost not to exceed $1,000.00. Funding – Practical Nursing
iv. Approve Julie Cartney, Leslie Davis, Megan Emerson, Heidi Steger, and Kelly Weaver to attend the PAPNA conference in State College May 13, 2026 at a cost not to exceed $2,400.00. Funding – Practical Nursing
v. Approve advertising for maintenance technician position.
vi. Approve advertising for instructional aide position.
vii. Approve Scott Jordan as the successful candidate for the Culinary Arts Instructor position, salary prorated for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year and pending receipt of clearances. Start date to be determined.

Roll Call: Ayes: Justin McFall, Mark Marterella, Ben Carbaugh, Dennis Baker, Cheryl Ferry, Lynn Cressman, Monica Chatham, Cindy Swendsen, Shari Neely

Nayes: None, motion carried.

Mrs. Neely asked if there was any old business.

None was noted.

Mrs. Neely asked if there was any new business.

Upon motion by Mr. Carbaugh, seconded by Mr. Marterella, the meeting adjourned at six minutes past seven (7:06) p.m.

Recorded by

Melissa Sharp

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Secretary, Joint Committee