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WESTERN MONTGOMERY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Monday, August 3, 2026

7:00 PM via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/91497808139?jst=3>)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- B. Attendance/Roll Call

_____ Konoplesky _____ Bieber _____ Grimm _____ Strunk _____ Thompson
_____ Hermans _____ Goldsmith _____ Weingarten _____ McCarrick
_____ Present _____ Absent _____ Quorum

- C. Agenda Items and/or Changes

2. Approval of Minutes

Is there a motion to approve the June 1, 2026, JOC Meeting Minutes, item A, as presented?

- A. Approval of the JOC Meeting Minutes from the June 1, 2026, Meeting.
([Attachment A](#))

A. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

_____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Motion passed

3. Presentations - None

4. Public Comment to Address Agenda Items Only

5. WMCTC Reports

A. Administrative Report

1. Administrative Director (Mr. David Livengood)
2. Business Manager (Mrs. Donna Wilson)
3. Principal (Dr. Robert Colyer)

B. Important Dates

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|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Aug 18 | In-Service - First Teacher Day |
| 2. Aug 19 | In-Service |
| 3. Aug 20 | In-Service |
| 4. Aug 21 | No 10-Month Employees |
| 5. Aug 24 | Trade-Off Day for November 23 |
| 6. Aug 25 | Trade-Off Day for November 23 |
| 7. Aug 26 | First Student Day |
| 8. Aug 28 | No 10-Month Employees |
| 9. Sept 7 | School Closed/Holiday |
| 10. Sept 14 | JOC Meeting via Zoom at 7:00 pm |

6. Additional Reports

- A. Superintendent of Record (Dr. Gregory Puckett)
- B. Solicitor's Report (Ms. Beth Shore, Esq.)
- C. Board Secretary's Report (Sarah Bieber)
- D. Other Advisory Group Reports
 - Personnel - Erica Hermans, Jay Strunk, Keith McCarrick
 - Policy - Patti Grimm, Heidi Goldsmith, Sarah Bieber
 - Facilities - Paige Konoplesky, Karen Weingarten, Bill Thompson

7. Old Business (Policy 2nd Reading) - None

8. New Business (Policy 1st Reading) - None

9. Personnel

Is there a motion to approve Personnel Items A-E as presented?

A. Medical Sabbatical

1. The Administration recommends approving the medical sabbatical of Barb Muller at 50% of her annual salary for the first semester of the 2026-2027 School year.

B. Employment

1. The Administration recommends approving the hiring of Erin Petters as Assistant Principal at \$113,300, with employment starting on July 27th, 2026.

2. The Administration recommends approving the hiring of Katie Blitzstein as Student Success Coordinator at Lane 4, Step 10, with an annual salary of \$81,790, starting on August 18, 2026.
3. The Administration recommends approving the hiring of Danielle Longacre as the Long-Term Substitute for Cosmetology for the first semester of the 2026-2027 school year or the return of the Cosmetology instructor at a pro-rated rate of Lane 1 Step 1 of \$50,077. Her Instructional Assistant will go unfilled until her return.

C. Mentoring

1. Approval is needed for the following mentors:
 - Andrew Klein will mentor Michael Bland at a rate of \$700.
 - Cindy Prindle will mentor Kate Blitzstein at a rate of \$700.
 - Heather Zornek will mentor Erica Scott at a rate of \$1500.

D. Supplemental Contracts

1. The Administration recommends approving Supplemental Contracts:
 - The Administration recommends approving the appointment of Dr. Gregory Puckett, Superintendent of Pottsgrove School District, to the position of Superintendent of Record for a one-year term starting in August 2026 for an \$8,400 stipend.
 - The Administration recommends approving the appointment of Mrs. Amy Thompson, Human Resource Director of Pottsgrove School District, to the position of Human Resource Liaison for a two-year term starting in August 2026 to July 2028 for a \$4,000 stipend per year.
 - Mrs. Angela Reichert and Ms. Jenni King, Cosmetology Instructors, for the Cosmetology Extended School Day Program, not to exceed 120 hours for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of **\$44.88/hr**. The \$50.00 student fee and revenue from the Salon will cover the cost.

- Commercial Art Instructor, for Commercial Art activities as needed, with Administration approval, not to exceed 50 hours for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of **\$44.88/hr.**

D. Conferences

1. The Administration recommends approving Dave Livengood to attend the ACTE's Career Tech Vision Conference, December 2-5 in New Orleans, Louisiana, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.

E. Hiring Authority

1. The Administration recommends that authority be granted to the Superintendent of Record of Western Montgomery CTC and the Executive Director to appoint qualified personnel to vacant teacher, support, and other positions as needed, effective on August 3, 2026, until the next regularly scheduled JOC meeting on September 14, 2026.

A. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

B. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

C. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

D. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

E. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

_____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Motion passed

10. Finance

Is there a motion to approve Finance Item A as presented?

A. Approval of Cash Receipts and List of Bills [\(Attachment B\)](#)

A. 1st _____ 2nd _____

_____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Motion passed

11. Other Action Items

- A. The Administration recommends approving the Student Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year. ([Attachment C](#))
- B. The Administration recommends approving the Staffing Agreement with GHR Education for nurse staffing, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. ([Attachment D](#))
- C. The Administration recommends approving the contract with Charlestown Landscaping beginning 7/1/2026. ([Attachment E](#))

A. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

B. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

C. 1 st _____ 2nd _____

_____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Motion passed

12. Board Comment

13. Public Comment

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to adjourn.

_____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at _____.