

**MINUTES  
KANSAS POSTSECONDARY  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY  
MEETING**

The February 23, 2011 meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was called to order by Chairman Joe Glassman at 10:04 a.m. The meeting was held at in the Kansas Board of Regents Boardroom located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas.

**Members Present:**

Joseph Glassman, Chairman	Sheila Frahm
Heather Sovern (Designee for Karin Brownlee )	Pat George/Keith Myers
Wayne Carter	Jim Grier
Diane DeBacker	Steve Kearney
Eddie Estes	William Quattlebaum

**Members Absent:**

Kathy Howell  
Jack Wempe

**Regents**

Regent Jarold Boettcher

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** Member Grier moved to approve the minutes of January 12, 2011. Following a second by Member Frahm, the motion carried.

**REPORTS****Introductions:**

Chair Glassman introduced and welcomed new member Pat George, Secretary of Commerce, Keith Myers, from the Department of Commerce, and Heather Sovern designee for Secretary Karin Brownlee.

Chair Glassman introduced Ann Wick, State Director for SkillsUSA Kansas and the Postsecondary SkillsUSA State Officers. Ms Wick reported this organization now has 3,559 members across the state of Kansas and include 93 high schools, community and technical colleges. Members dialogued briefly with each student as the students shared information about their programs and future goals. Case Clough, Pittsburg State University student and officer team manager, extended an invitation to attend the State Conference in Wichita on April 27-29, 2011 to Authority members. He announced the National Conference is held the third week of June in Kansas City and encouraged members to attend if possible.

**Chair Report**

Chair Glassman thanked Cloud County Community College for hosting the January 12, 2011, Authority meeting Concordia, KS. Chair Glassman also expressed his appreciation to everyone for receiving the Award of Merit for Workforce Development during Kansas Workforce Summit in January.

**Member Liaison Reports**

No reports given.

**Vice President for Workforce Development Report**

Vice President Flanders introduced new staff members Zoe Thompson and Mari Tucker Associate Directors for Perkins.

Vice President Flanders attended a recent meeting of the Kansas Council for Workforce Education (KCWE). He reported the purpose of the KCWE is to provide postsecondary with faculty and conduct faculty education workshops.

Vice President Flanders provided professional development a Summary of Key Points of the Kansas Workforce Summit which focuses on ways to grow the Kansas economy with a skilled workforce and technical education. He thanked Member Estes for collecting the information from the Summit. Member Kearney pointed out the two main points resonating with Legislators are Return on Investment (ROI) for funds expended for technical education and the retention of residents who become tax payers.

Chair Glassman reported the “Keeping Kansas Competitive Concept” paper has been released to Senator Moran’s office with a follow-up visit scheduled for Friday, February 25, 2011.

### **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **Approval of New Program**

**Kansas City Kansas Community College** requests approval for the following new program:

Automotive Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Program (CIP 47.0614) at the Technical Certificate level (40 credits).

The proposed program would benefit first responders, vehicle salvage technicians, tow truck operators and vehicle owners that focus on electrical vehicle safety. There are currently no other programs in the state to prepare individuals for this emerging occupational category. No letters of objection were received in response to the proposed program.

Chuck Kater introduced Tamara Agha-Jaffar, Provost for Academic Affairs/Chief Academic Officer and Cliff Smith, Interim Dean of Technical Education/Director of Technical Programs from Kansas City Community College and commended Kansas City Kansas Community College for their excellent work in preparing the new program proposal for this program. He also noted the proposal information inclusion of seven letters of support from area businesses that specifically indicated the types of support to be provided.

**Motion:** Member Quattlebaum moved to approve the Automotive Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Program technical certificate (40 credits) program submitted by Kansas City Kansas Community College. Following a second by Chair Glassman, the motion passed unanimously.

### **CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA**

#### **Approval of the Aligned Medical Coding – Healthcare Coding and Physician Coding (51.0713)**

Technical Program and Curriculum Chair Quattlebaum recognized Chuck Kater who in turn introduced Don Richards to present this newly aligned program. Mr. Richards gave a brief overview of the two proposed alignment maps for the Medical Coding (51.0713) program (AAS and technical certificate) for approval. Mr. Richards explained that the two medical coding maps were designed to facilitate dual career tracks for entry-level employees within the field of medical coding: Physician Coding and Healthcare Coding. The Physician Coding track addresses the training needs of individuals serving in a physician office setting. In comparison, the Healthcare Coding track addresses the training needs of individuals serving in a hospital setting. Industry-recognized credentials for each of the career tracks are indicated on each of the alignment maps. Each of the two credentials is supported by industry for employment as a medical coder in either of the two respective practice settings. The same CIP code would be assigned with the name of the track distinguishing between the programs.

**Motion:** Chair Quattlebaum moved to approve the aligned Medical Coding Program and the program map for each of the career tracks as indicated. Following a second by Chair Glassman, the motion passed unanimously.

**PR Marketing Committee Report****PR Marketing Committee Report**

Vanessa Lamoreaux reported the Marketing Committee members selected the first group of student to be selected for the “CTE Success Stories” campaign. The monthly honorees are:

January – Ryan Konen, Graduate of North Central Kansas Technical College

February – Will Gold, Graduate of Manhattan Area Technical College

March – Emma Banuelos, Graduate of Garden City Community College

An event is being planned to honor these recipients at the March Authority meeting. Ms. Lamoreaux encouraged colleges to continue submitting student success stories. Nominations can be sent to [vlamoreaux@ksbor.org](mailto:vlamoreaux@ksbor.org). Student success stories submitted should include nominee’s name, program, and an explanation of why the student is being nominated. There is no limit on the number of nominees submitted by any one institution. Nominations from the bioscience, STEM, healthcare, energy, and other critical industries are especially desirable.

**Report from Workforce Investment Boards**

Chairman Glassman introduced Mike Fleming, Chair of KANSASWORKS State Board and Keith Lawing, Executive Director of Workforce Alliance of South Central Kansas. Mr. Fleming stated the most important functions of the local boards are to identify demand occupations in the various regions and then provide training scholarships to eligible participants. The ultimate goal is having skilled workers ready for employment. He voiced his support for the work being done by the Technical Education Authority to improve and enhance technical education and training programs in Kansas.

Mr. Fleming and key elements employers are looking for from a technical education and training system include:

- Industry recognized credentials aligned with academic certificate and degree programs
- Recognition of work experience or on the job training that can count toward credit for an academic certificate or degree;
- Less redundancy or duplication of degree programs; and
- Funding formulas or incentives encouraging or rewarding colleges collaborating together to better serve both employers and students.

Mr. Fleming stated it is well documented that a growing number of jobs and professions require education and training beyond high school. Mr. Fleming gave a presentation entitled, “A Look at the Workforce Investment Act in Kansas.” The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) emphasizes employers as customers as well as job seekers and in Kansas is delivered through One-Stop Workforce Centers in the five local areas to serve both. A copy of the presentation is filed with the original minutes.

The Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) members are elected by local government officials who are accountable for the federal dollars. Keith Lawing introduced Ernie Layman, CEO of Midwest Energy and past Chair of Area I. Mr. Layman reported the locals are placing more emphasis on retention strategies and maintaining employees.

In response to a question regarding how the WIA funding is used in Kansas, Mr. Fleming explained the formula funding supports core services; displaced workers returning to the workforce; workshops; transportation; child care; employee related activities; training; tuition and support costs.

Keith Myers commented the \$6 million “State Energy Partnership Training Grant”; the \$15 million “KHPOP Grant”; and the \$2 million “Community Based Job Training Grant” (a corrections grant awarded to Hutchinson Community College and Barton County Community College) are examples of competitive grants.

Chair Glassman requested additional information be provided to the Authority regarding the budgeting process, current and upcoming projects, and how colleges have benefited from WIA funds.

### **Budget Finance Committee Report Governor's Budget Recommendation**

Budget and Finance Chair Grier introduced Diane Duffy who gave a summary of the Governor's budget recommendation. Ms. Duffy referred to the January 13, 2011 memo sent to the Authority summarizing the Governor's recommendation for higher education. She reported State General Funds (SGF) for colleges and universities is recommended to stay flat. She reported Governor Brownback also recommended an additional \$500,000 in EDIF funds to the Department of Commerce for community and technical college competitive grants.

Ms. Duffy shared that the Legislature is currently considering the Rescission Bill, including a provision that would suspend 7.5% of pay for the last five pay periods of the fiscal year for certain State Officers and Directors. The House Appropriations Committee concurred with the Governor's recommendations for the FY 2012 Budget. The Senate Ways and Means Committee is scheduled to work on the budget in March.

### **Legislative Update**

Vice President Flanders reported SB13, a structural clean-up bill, passed the Senate and is going to the House. SB143, the tiered technical education funding bill, was approved by the Senate Education Committee and final action should take place February 24, 2011.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

#### **2010 Fall Enrollment Report**

Chair Glassman introduced Dawn Ressel who gave a presentation on the 2010 Fall Enrollment Report for the higher education system. Ms. Ressel explained three data snapshots in time which include: Preliminary Enrollment; Fall Census Day Collections; and Academic Year Enrollments. She stated the three year plan for future reporting goals include an annual publication (Databook); standardization of reports; and enhanced research and reporting website. Members requested that the information be revised to reflect a breakdown of the 2-year sector specifically for technical education percentages. The PowerPoint presentation is filed with the original minutes.

### **OPEN COMMENT PERIOD**

Chair Glassman recognized Brian Inbody, President/CEO of Neosho County Community College. Dr. Inbody invited the Authority to join the new campus opening and to tour the "Simulated Hospital" on May 5, 2011.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Glassman adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by  
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