

**EASTERN WESTMORELAND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER**  
**4904 ROUTE 982, LATROBE, PA 15650-2399**  
**JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE**  
**APRIL 27, 2022**  
**MINUTES**

Mrs. Kozar called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

I. Pledge of Allegiance

- II. Roll Call
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| Present:        | Kevin Liberoni, Heidi Kozar, Dean Reed, Kevin Mack, Jason McIntosh  |
| Absent:         | Jennifer Krome!. Joshua Campbell, Merle D. Musick, Dr. Rhonda Laughlin  |
| Administration: | Todd Weimer, Chris Campbell, Nicole Zavatsky, Eric Curry  |
| Solicitor:      | Nakles and Nakles- Ryan Cribbs  |
| Other:          | Student of the Month, Colton Elliott, Mr. Keith Tuk (Welding Instructor), Skills USA place winners, parents/guardians, Ms. Dane Zimmer (Skills USA Advisor) |

III. A. Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Jason McIntosh to approve the Minutes for March 23, 2022.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

IV. A. Motion by Dean Reed, seconded by Kevin Liberoni to approve the General Fund Treasurer's Report for March 2022.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

B. Motion by Jason McIntosh, seconded by Kevin Mack to approve the Activity Fund Treasurer's Report for January through March 2022.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

V. A. Motion by Kevin Liberoni, seconded by Dean Reed to approve the General Fund bills for April 2022 in the amount of \$108,842.95 Check #4221-#4280.

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Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

VI. A. Comments from those in attendance on agenda items only-None.

VII. Reports:

- A. Superintendent of Record-No Report
- B. Solicitor-No Report

### C. Administrative Director- Director's Report for April 27, 2022

**Student of the Month - Colton Elliott** is a first-year student at Eastern Westmoreland CTC. Colton, a Ligonier Valley High School senior, decided that he should learn a trade during his last year of high school, so he enrolled in Welding Technology. His decision changed his life! Colton found that he has an aptitude and interest in welding that has inspired him to interview for the Plumbers and Pipefitters' Local #354. He hopes to be accepted into their apprenticeship, embark on a career as a union welder, and eventually open his own weld shop when he retires. Though these plans are long-term, the staff at EWCTC has no doubt that he will fulfill his dreams. His instructor, Mr. Tuk, said, *"Although he's only been in the program for a year, Colton has proven himself to be an excellent welder, a good problem-solver, and conscientious student who has a true interest in learning his craft. He has earned the honor of being EWCTC's Student of the Month April 2022."* Colton is a member of the National Technical Honor Society and SkillsUSA. He is also a volunteer fireman in Ligonier.

**Competitions-** EWCTC had 17 students qualified to compete in the SkillsUSA State Competition this year. We are proud to announce the following placements:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Technical Computer Applications -**Shane Tomb** (Greater Latrobe)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Computer Programming- **Brandon Kuhns** (Derry Area)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Carpentry- **Hunter Meneer** (Greater Latrobe)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Digital Cinema - **Ceili Kail** (Greater Latrobe) & **Emily McMillen** (Derry Area)

Our 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner, Shane Tomb, will be moving on to National Competition in Atlanta, Georgia. Excellent work, SkillsUSA Team, and best of luck to Shane in June.

On March 31 our Culinary Team competed in Greater Johnstown CTC's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chopped Competition Challenge and walked away with 1<sup>st</sup> Place. Our Team had to prepare an appetizer, main course, and a dessert from "mystery" boxes of ingredients under strict time constraints. Well done, Team! Congratulations!

**Excellence in Education** - Every year the Chamber of Commerce recognizes the top graduating seniors from local high schools and honors them at a Banquet held at DeNunzio's Chophouse. These scholars have to rank in the top 5% of their graduating class. This year, the Chamber Banquet date coincides with EWCTC's Senior Recognition Ceremony so our outstanding seniors will not be attending the banquet. However, we would like to pay them special recognition for their outstanding academic excellence. Listed in alphabetical order, congratulations to:

- James Goshorn** - Greater Latrobe -Josh plans to attend St. Vincent College to study Computer Science
- Alyssa Jordan** - Derry Area - Alyssa plans to continue working as a designer in marketing
- Autumn Pavlik**- Greater Latrobe -Autumn plans to continue working as a stylist for B & B Beauty Bar and to attend WCCC in pursuit of her Associate's Degree in Business

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**Marissa Weimer-** Derry Area - Marissa plans to pursue her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing then her Master's Degree as a Nurse Practitioner

**Field Trips** - On April 19, students from our Construction Trades, Masonry, and Plumbing/HVAC programs toured PNC Park. On April 25, 50 students from Automotive Technology and Collision Repair traveled to New Village Institute in Blairsville for post-secondary exploration. On Friday, April 29, students from Allied Health will be visiting Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh for career exploration. Also on April 29, our Bots IQ Team will be competing at Cal U Convocation Center - good luck Team!

**National Nurses' Day** - Every year National Nurses' Week begins on May 6 and ends on May 12 - the birth date of Florence Nightingale. We would like to send our most heart-felt appreciation to all nurses for their tireless commitment and especially to EWCTC's Health Occupations Instructors, Mrs. Lindsey Smetak and Mrs. Susan McCreery, who also fill the role of "School Nurse" for EWCTC. We are grateful for their dedication to their profession, their immediate responses, and their meticulous attention to details.

**Blood Drive** - Our annual blood drive sponsored by our Health Occupations program was held on Friday, April 22. Twenty-five units of blood products were collected which will, in turn, help save up to 75 lives! Thank you to everyone who participated, and a special thanks to our double RBC donor, Keith Tuk, Welding Technology instructor for EWCTC.

**Donations** - PPG Chapter Foundation donated \$800 to our Bots IQ Team; The Fastener Stop donated nuts, bolts, washers, and sundry parts, with an estimated value of \$101.34, to our Bots IQ Team; Jeff Rosensteel donated a 2007 Nissan Maxima, with an estimated value of \$500, to our Automotive Technology and Collision Repair programs.

**Upcoming Events-** Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events at EWCTC:

**Car Show-** Saturday, May 14 - all proceeds will benefit our Automotive and Collision Repair programs

Car Registration opens at 11:00 a.m. (\$10 per vehicle)  
Free admission for all spectators (donations appreciated)  
Awards, raffles, food, drinks, and more  
Come enjoy the day at EWCTC!

**Senior Recognition Ceremony-** Monday, May 23 - held at Greater Latrobe Senior High School

Ceremony begins in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

VIII. Business:

**DISPLAY 1**

A. Motion by Jason McIntosh, seconded by Kevin Mack to approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar, as presented.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No 0

B. Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Jason McIntosh to approve a one-year agreement for July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit for accounting software, at a cost of approximately \$9,524 an increase of \$215.00 from the current year.

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Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

- C. Motion by Jason McIntosh, seconded by Kevin Mack to approve a one-year agreement for July I, 2022, through June 30, 2023, with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit for student information software, at a cost of approximately \$8,675 an increase of \$116 from the current year.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

- D. Motion by Dean Reed, seconded by Kevin Liberoni to approve Eastern Westmoreland Career and Technology Center to participate in the joint purchasing activities of the Westmoreland County Schools Natural Gas Consortium and to authorize the Consortium, in association with KeyTex Energy, to act as the Center's agent during the procurement process.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

- E. Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Jason McIntosh to approve Nicole Zavatsky, Business Manager, as the authorized representative and Todd Weimer, Administrative Director, as the alternate representative for the Westmoreland County Schools Natural Gas Consortium.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

- F. Motion by Kevin Liberoni, seconded by Dean Reed to approve continued membership in the Pennsylvania School Board Association which includes Policy Maintenance, effective July I, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

**DISPLAY2**

- G. Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Jason McIntosh to approve the list of items for disposition consisting of obsolete inventory items by offering them to EWCTC students, member districts, or private disposal.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

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H. Motion by Dean Reed, seconded by Kevin Liberoni to renew a three-year agreement with Republic Services for the period May 1, 2022, through April 30, 2025, at a cost of \$500 per month for waste pick-up and \$517 per call for roll-off services.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

I. Motion by Jason McIntosh, seconded by Kevin Mack to use 21-22 Contingency Funds at an approximate cost of \$21,000 for boiler repairs.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

J. Motion by Kevin Liberoni, seconded by Dean Reed to use Capital Reserve funds at an approximate cost of \$8,000 for Air Conditioning installation in newly remodeled Special Education office.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

**DISPLAY 3**

K. Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Jason McIntosh to approve By-Laws for the Eastern Westmoreland Career and Technology Center's Occupational Advisory Committees, as presented.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

**DISPLAY 4**

L. Motion by Jason McIntosh, seconded by Kevin Mack to accept the 2021-22 Perkins Secondary Local Application Compliance Review Report as presented.

Voice Vote: Yes 5 No0

IX. Personnel:

A. Motion by Dean Reed, seconded by Kevin Liberoni to approve the following resignation:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Date</b>
James Shawley	Custodian	Retirement	July 1, 2022

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Voice Vote:        Yes 5                                No0

X.    Other Business

Comments from those in attendance on non-agenda items-None.

Board Member Comments-None.

Next Joint Operating Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 7pm.

A.    Motion by Kevin Mack, seconded by Dean Reed to adjourn the meeting-Time 7:37pm.

Voice Vote:    Yes 5                                No 0

Respectfully Submitted,

*Nicole L. Zavatsky*

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