

HARFORD COUNTY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
ON CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

MINUTES OF MEETING

May 23, 2017

8:00-10:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Joan Betzold, Katie Campbell, Donald Coulter, Bill Grzanowski, Chas Hagan, Rob Limpert, Kay Malone, Joy Pelt, Patrice Ricciardi, Linda Siegel, Stacie Umbarger

Robert Limpert called the meeting to order.

AGENDA ITEMS

- **Administrative Matters**

Minutes from the April 4, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Linda Siegel made a motion to approve, Joan Betzold second the motion and the committee approved them.

- **CTE CAC Election Results**

The election results are also in the minutes from the May 8 Board of Education meeting.

The results are Denise Carnaggio, Matthew Hargrove, Mike Svezese, Ben Hamann (the student representative), Joan Michel and Jeanne Donlick.

Terms are ending for Tom Kraft from J. Vinton Schafer & Sons, and Dave Sergio from Vehicle Service Plus. Uyesh Bhatti is also being remove for not attending any meetings in during the year.

- **CTE Updates – MSDE Program update**

There are several MSDE Programs of Study updates. The Business Management and Finance program of study needs to have the Entrepreneur piece added to it. The Academy of Finance has some title changes that need to be submitted to MSDE. We will be updating the AutoTech program as well as the Cyber Security program. The Teacher Academy of Maryland we are waiting to hear how staffing and registration at the comprehensive schools works out. It has been shared with the Executive Director as well as the Superintendent the decision to try to consolidate the program to one location to try to keep it alive. We are battling two things. One is staffing and the other is interest. The interest in the comprehensive high schools has been about 8 to 10 per school. We are going to be pushing forward to try to consolidate in one location. We are looking at several locations. Edgewood and North Harford High Schools that both have an elementary and a middle school within walking distance as well as Harford Technical High School that has an elementary and a special education school in walking distance and Aberdeen High School. Mr. Limpert mentioned that he feels that Harford Technical High would be the most marketable school for the program but we are still in the discussion stages.

Kay Malone mentioned that Human Resources has just organized a GETS scholarship. Mr. Limpert said he sits on the committee for this scholarship and that they just awarded five

scholarships to students who are pursuing education degrees in critical shortage areas. GETS stands for Growing Exceptional Teachers. There is no requirement to stay in Harford County but they will come in at step 2 and given a priority over student teachers. There were eight applicants, seven qualified and five scholarships were awarded.

- **HSEP Update (2)**

As he shared in the handouts, Mr. Lovelace was recognized. He is one of the co-coordinators for the program.

- **Perkins and Reserve Grants Update**

The Federal government has still not made a decision or move on Perkins. Normally the Perkins grant is due May 15, 2017. Ms. Garrett always use to ask for an extension so that she could share with the committee and get your feedback with regards to the directions we are heading. When Mr. Limpert asked for an extension this year he was informed that they were giving everyone an extension until May 30, 2017 because Maryland had not received their dollar amount. All along we were told that the grant was going to be the same as last year. Unfortunately, we received word last week that now the state is being told that the projection is all Perkins funding is going to be cut fifteen percent. We are now in the process of going back and looking at where we can take out about \$40,000 from our request for Perkins Funding.

On a positive note, Mr. Mohlhenrich who is the CAM teacher here at Harford Tech has been working with Southwest Industries, which is a Lathe and Mill company out of Delaware. Both Mr. Mohlhenrich and Mr. Limpert touched based with the sales representative and local manager and went to an open house. Mr. Limpert was in conversations with the owner of the company who lives in California and found out that they have a program where they donate two machines annually to a school system that he feels is deserving and moving in the direction that he views Machining and CAM. After a couple of conversations with the gentleman, we were told that they were donating two machines to us. Which will now allow us to take Mr. Mohlhenrich request for one machine out of the grant request.

We did hear back on the six reserve grants. Three of them were fully funded and three were not. We only received dollar amounts so we do not know exactly what they cut from the three that were only partially funded.

- **Company/Business Presentation**

Patrice Ricciardi gave a brief overview of what she does at Freedom Federal Credit Union. She talked about the differences between credit unions and banks as well as the partnerships, that Freedom Federal Credit Union has with Harford County Public Schools and how they support several of the schools in this county.

Ms. Ricciardi also included information regarding credit cards and credit scores as well as how you can easily increase or decrease your credit score by the decisions make.

- **Meeting dates and times for 2017-18**

Meeting dates for the 2017/18 school year.

September 19th

November 7th

January 23rd

March 20

April 3rd

May 29th

Board of Education presentation is the second Board meeting in October.

- **Open Dialogue**

We went around the room and asked if anyone had questions or comments on anything that relates to the CTE programs.

- **Closing Comments/Adjourn**

We hope everybody has a good summer and we will see you all in the fall. Meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 19, 2017**, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Cobra's Cove, Harford Technical High School.

*Inclement weather policy: if schools are delayed or closed the meeting will be canceled.