

HARFORD COUNTY  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL  
ON CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**March 21, 2017**

**8:00-10:00 a.m.**

Members Present:

Joan Betzold, Mikale Brutus, Katie Campbell, Denise Carnaggio, Jeanne Donlick, Karen Goodison, Bill Grzanowski, Chas Hagan, Tom Kraft, Rob Limpert, Kay Malone, Joy Pelt, Patrice Ricciardi, Linda Siegel, Dave Thomey, Mike Svezese, Ben Hamann, Bruce England

Robert Limpert called the meeting to order and briefly reviewed the agenda.

AGENDA ITEMS

- **Administrative Matters**

Patrice Ricciardi reviewed the minutes and the minutes were approved.

- **CTE CAC Applications and Terms**

Robert Limpert announced the application closes on April 4, 2017. Currently we have three applications from individuals that are interested. We will continue to follow the same format that we have used for several years when selecting applicants for this committee. In May, once applicants have been selected for the committee, Mr. Limpert will submit their names to the Superintendent. Then the Superintendent will present them to the Board of Education in May or early June and then in June the Board of Education will accepted those members.

- **CTE Updates – Patterson Mill HS / IMP**

At the last Citizen Advisory Council committee meeting Mr. Limpert mention Patterson Mill regarding Interactive Media Production. At this point Mr. Limpert has met with the principal and the teacher. They have discussed it and are proceeding with the program of study proposal to the Maryland State Department of Education this summer. The teacher, Mr. Craig Llewellyn who is currently an art teacher at Patterson Mill has a tremendous background in interactive media.

It will be phase-in starting in school year 2018-19 with the program being completely phased-in in three years. We have also targeted an art teacher named Kathy Reynolds who is gifted in Adobe Suite and in the third course of the program there is a tremendous amount of Adobe Suite work so we will be using her as well for this program.

There was some question/concern about the impact on staffing with adding a new program by Dr. Able. Looking at programs that are phasing out while this is phasing in, there is an old-fashion programing course that is being eliminating next year. They have a teacher that is teaching it full time and we think that there will be an absorption of that position right into the new program of study so there should not have any impact to his staffing.

- **Labor Market Study Results**

Mr. Bruce England from the Susquehanna Workforce Network presented the Labor Market Study results. The Labor Market Study is done every three to five years.

For more information on the Labor Market Study Results please see Mr. England's complete presentation, which is included as an attachment.

- **Company/Business Presentation**

Mr. Bill Grzanowski from AutoPlus gave brief presentation about the company. AutoPlus started out as Kunkle's Service Company, which was established in 1941. As a family owned business, they grew to fifteen locations. They have been sold several times but the last time was in June of 2015 by Icon Enterprises. Since then they have been operating under the name of AutoPlus. Icon Enterprises also owns Pep Boys, Federal Mogul, and Just Brakes.

AutoPlus is strictly a parts supplier. They don't do any on car services, but Icon Enterprises is building there portfolio to do both the manufacturing, distributing and sale of auto parts as well the service part or the industry.

AutoPlus was located in Bel Air until October 2016. They are now in the industrial airpark in Forest Hill. At their current location they employ 36 full and part time employees. They also operate a wholesale call center so not only do they handle the incoming calls for their local customers but they also support three other locations (Aberdeen, Abingdon, and North East in Cecil County).

The store is divided into two sections. Most of their business is wholesale, but they also have a retail showroom. They have never done a lot of advertising but they invite the do it yourselfers to come into the showroom where they can find just about everything they are looking for. Parts, Paints, tires, detailing supplies, batteries.

Behind the storefront there is a 16,000 sq. ft. of warehouse space. They have everything you can ask for related to automotive repair. About 80% of their business is wholesale. On a daily basis they deliver to dealerships, garages, and construction companies in the area. They also sell to local municipalities, and Harford Technical High School.

- **Open Dialogue**

We went around the room and gave everyone a chance to make comments, ask questions or give an update on anything that relates to the CTE programs.

- **Closing Comments/Adjourn**

We adjourned the meeting at 9:53.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 4, 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.