

**ERIE COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL
PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM**

DATE: April 27, 2016

SUBJECT: Local Advisory Committee

CATEGORY: Operations

INITIATED BY: Aldo Jackson

DESCRIPTION:

Chapter 4.33 of the School Code requires area vocational technical schools to appoint a local advisory committee. Membership on the committee shall consist of business and industry representatives, public sector employers, agriculture, labor organizations, community organizations, postsecondary education institutions, and the general public. The appointed advisory committee shall meet at least once each year and give advice to the board and the administration concerning the program of the school, including its general philosophy, academic and other standards, course offerings, support services, safety requirements, and the skill needs of employers.

The school has not had a local advisory committee since 2005. The Bureau of Career and Technical Education has indicated a local advisory committee needs to be in place before the Bureau can reapprove the programs at the Erie County Technical School. Without reapproval, the programs are ineligible for state subsidy and other state and federal funding.

MOTION:

Motion to appoint the Local Advisory Committee as presented (see membership list).

**Erie County Technical School
Proposed
Local Advisory Committee**

Name	Position/Organization	Expertise	Industry
James Willats	President, Machining Concepts	Business Management/Training	Manufacturing
Felix 'Chip' Folletti	Business Manager, Carpenter's Union	Labor Organizations	Construction
Janet Anderson	Director, Partners for Performance	Workforce Development Board	Government
Jake Rouch	Vice-President, Erie Regional Chamber and Growth Partnership	Economic Development	Community Organizations
Tina Rudinski	Sr. Manufacturing Engineer, Lord Corporation	ECTS Graduate	Manufacturing
Andy Foyle	President, H&H Machining	Joint Operating Committee Small Business	Manufacturing
Dr. Sandra Myers	Superintendent, Union City Area School District	Superintendents	Education
Joelyn Bush 456-2937 ext. 224	Marketing & Communications Manager, United Way of Erie County	Communications/Social Media	Community Organizations
Dr. Katie Wolfrom 870-5812	Learning & Development Project Manager, Erie Insurance Group	Instructional Design	Insurance, Service
Dr. Denise Ohler 732-1399	Assistant Dean, College of Science and Health Professions	Post-secondary	Health
?		Legislative	
?		?	Transportation/Distribution
?		?	Tourism
?		?	Agriculture
?		?	
Confirmed	Invited, Interested, Pending	Invited	

Aldo Jackson

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Subject: Chapter 4 and Local Advisory Committee

Aldo:

Staff have indicated that during a recent on-site review of Erie CTC that evidence does not exist for a Local Advisory Committee. However, as we are reviewing materials in CATS for the reapproval of Erie CTC's career and technical education programs, the materials in CATS indicate a Local Advisory Committee exists.

From CATS

A. Local Advisory Committee The Operating Committee shall appoint a general advisory committee composed of representatives of business and industry and school administrators and, upon the request of the general advisory committee, shall appoint craft or course committees. The local advisory committee shall advise the Operating Committee on such matters as the need for a particular shop, laboratory, occupation, equipment, curriculum, labor management coordination, business and industrial requirements or selection of personnel. Chapter 4.33 mandates a Local Advisory Committee.

From Chapter 4

§ 4.33. Advisory committees.

(a) A school district or AVTS administering or planning to administer vocational-technical education programs shall appoint a local advisory committee. Membership on the committee shall consist of business and industry representatives, public sector employers, agriculture, labor organizations, community organizations, postsecondary education institutions and the general public. The appointed advisory committee shall meet at least once each year and give advice to the board and the administration concerning the program of the school, including its general philosophy, academic and other standards, course offerings, support services, safety requirements and the skill needs of employers. An advisory committee may serve multiple institutions where employment areas overlap.

Before the Department can reapprove the programs at Erie CTC, we will need a demonstration that this mandate is met.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss this.

Sincerely,

Lee

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