

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Peterborough, New Hampshire
CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Applied Technology Center (ATC) Committee

June 13, 2017

SAU Office
7:00 PM

Minutes

Committee Members:

- Dick Dunning
- Jim Fredrickson
- David Martz
- Stephan Morrissey
- Pierce Rigrod

Committee Members Present: Dick Dunning, Stephan Morrissey, Pierce Rigrod

Others Present: Kimberly Saunders, John Reitnauer, Gib West, Janine Lesser, Myron Steere, Kristen Ingram, John Jordan (SAC), Bob Edwards

1. Accept Minutes of May 11, 2017

Dick Dunning moved to accept the minutes of May 11, 2017. Pierce Rigrod second. Stephan Morrissey and Pierce Rigrod abstained. Motion carried.

2. ATC 2017-2018 offerings

John Reitnauer shared nine programs currently offered under the ATC. They included: Building/Construction trades, Business Management/Marketing, computer networking, computer programming & Software Development, Digital Photography and Video Arts, Engineering/Mechanical Design, Fire Science/Emergency Technician (EMT), graphic design, and early childhood education. Do we need to give more thought into bringing current programs off-site back onsite? No, we have transportation that transports students to Jaffrey every day. Some students self-transport. Typically, juniors and seniors take ATC courses. Freshmen and sophomores are not considered in the completer categories. There is a Senate Bill promoting the opportunity for underclassmen. Mr. Reitnauer reported that 453 requests for CTE courses have been made for the 2017/2018 year. What type of opportunities might avail ConVal students if Nashua Community College (NCC) comes to Peterborough?

3. Internships – Janine Lesser

Kimberly Saunders will have a presentation prepared on the difference between internships, apprenticeships and co-ops. Community Ed classes were discussed as a potential.

4. Community/Business Outreach

Dick Dunning reported on a meeting scheduled for June 20th at NHBB at 7:30 a.m. that might be an opportunity for the school district to work together for facilities space and teachers. Contact jerrygaluseda@comcast.net for more information or to attend this meeting.

5. Outlook 18-19 programs

Kimberly Saunders said that they are seriously considering wastewater management but have not heard more specifically.

Janine Lesser reported that the conversation to bring NCC to Peterborough is very positive but moving very slowly. NCC should be at meetings to hit the ground running should it happen. Kimberly thought that this more an Education Committee question rather than only ATC.

Kimberly asked what the gist of the conversation she should be having; she receives mixed messages. Running Start conversation? Approach for lease space to the high school to build appropriate space for ATC Program?

Health Sciences will take back ATC space in the high school. Electrical and or plumbing will need lab and classroom space.

Can we gather data on the potential interest in electrical or plumbing offerings?

What are the first steps on decision making? John Reitnauer said that he is working on getting the allocations from the Perkins Grant and determining where cuts will be needed. He will organize a program advisory committee for health sciences. That group will provide guidance on how they want it to move forward. What health field career paths will be pursued? This would begin in the 18/19 school year. Other programs are more conceptual.

Where is the best place for discussion to take place about potential NCC program? Stephan Morrissey and Pierce Rigrod will meet with the Education Committee.

Gib West encouraged board members and those present to come visit the ATC during the school day to see what students are doing, learning, and working on. They will be more than happy to answer any questions.

Focus should be on priority programs.

Consensus that program selection be confirmed based on recommendations and resources.

Dick Dunning said health sciences, plumbing and electrical was decided.

Pierce Rigrod said a subcommittee can make a recommendation but the board can make decisions based on recommendation. John Reitnauer said that visits to plumbing and electrician programs should be visited to determine needs.

Stephan Morrissey spoke about feelers he sent out about marine outboard motor programs. He will provide contact information. John Reitnauer said that marine outdoor motor is not a CTE Program.

Stephan Morrissey said that we are not just looking at CTE programming; we are looking at the benefit to the student. Is there a demand that gets the student in a job?

If it is a non-CTE course does it mean additional college coursework is needed? It depends on the program.

What metric will be used to measure success? Is there a number in terms of a target for numbers of students? Etc.?

A sequence can be built. With more programming, numbers will decline in individual courses.

Kristin Ingram shared assessment information in terms of software programs that freshmen and sophomores use in conjunction with guidance to determine interests and what might be needed to get there. Labor analysis and occupational data are shared with students.

6. Other

None.

7. Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3,II (If Needed)

None.

Kimberly shared her takeaways: talk to the Education Committee for offerings in conjunction with NCC; no inquiries on lease space; work with Myron to make decisions about internships, apprenticeships, and co-ops. Fall ATC tour will be scheduled as well.

Dick Dunning motioned to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Stephan Morrissey second. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Marschok