

**Apprenticeship Coordinators/Support Staff
Wisline Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2015
9:00 a.m.**

Present Wisline Participants:

BTC	Greg Phillips	NATC	Brigitte Kumbier/Diana Bess
CVTC	Jeff Sullivan	NWTC	Jeanne Pecho
FVTC	Mike Cattelino	SWTC	Derek Dachelet/Jody Millin
GTC	Lauri Howard/Stacey Erickson	WCTC	Mark Montgomery
LTC	Sheila Schetter	WITC	Randy Deli
MDSN	Jim Cook	BAS	Karen Morgan
MSTC	Ron Zillmer	WIDS	Hal Zenisek
MPTC	Steve Horvath	WTCS	Tim Weir

Review Minutes:

Minutes from the January 15, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Old Business – ABC Meeting Follow-up & Operating Engineers Curriculum Project Status

ABC Follow-up: Minimal feedback to report. The Board of Trustees met and Leigh and John from ABC joined Mike Cattelino at this meeting. We need to try to do things the same at each college for them. ABC has not yet provided a list of what they need from us.

Operating Engineers – There is a meeting scheduled for mid-May to discuss; it will most likely be put on hold for a year.

Apprenticeship Summary Report

Dr. May provided feedback at Tuesday’s Board of Trustees meeting. Mike Cattelino is going through the binder that Dr. May provided him. DWD put together information to see what needs to change in apprenticeship. They invited everyone who is a stakeholder in apprenticeship. There was discussion about the German apprenticeship model. Everyone broke into groups and discussed what from the German model would fit into Wisconsin’s apprenticeship. They developed an action plan which includes enhancements to apprenticeship. The items in the action plan will be reviewed to see what fits into the grant.

USDOL Apprenticeship Grant

Karen Morgan reported there has been seven focus groups to see how to handle the grant. After the focus groups, they looked for themes. There were certain key areas being considered:

- Building a pipeline into apprenticeship – K12 partnerships/youth apprenticeship
- Out of school population – career pathways
- Look at expanding apprenticeship into new areas such as: IT, Healthcare, Advanced Manufacturing
- Elements that come out of the action plan

The grant will be for five million over five years. We would need to place 1,000 apprentices over that timeframe. If there are any questions, please let Karen know.

Workbook or Employer Responsibilities – How Can Apprenticeship do it better?

Mike discussed how apprenticeship and employers track and are held accountable for work hours. Industrial trades don't seem to have the same accountability measures, without an overseeing committee, as compared to the construction sector.

Mike is looking for insight and ideas to make this process more consistent. Karen noted that this is BAS's responsibility to make sure employers are held accountable. The fear is that when an apprentice confides in an ATR, the ATR will go to the employer and then there will be retribution to the apprentice. Is there something that can be done across the board to make sure everything is happening consistently? Karen stated that the BAS is working on new ways to accomplish this, such as new job books. She welcomes any new ideas.

Current Curriculum Projects

Hal reported that all current curriculum projects are going well. A number of projects have finished already. All are on track with the exception of the Operating Engineers. Karen's idea for a new project is an analysis of the Electrical Line Worker apprenticeship between the two colleges that are currently offering it.

Sheila will send out an email asking for ideas for next year.

Adjourn (10:00 a.m.)

Next Wisline call is scheduled for March 19, 2015 from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jeanne Pecho, NWTC, Recorder