

**MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

**333 Market Street | 1st Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126**

January 12, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Larry Wittig.

Attending:

Erin Agnew	Sandra Dungee Glenn	Shannon Sullivan
James Agras (via phone)	Kirk Hallett	Karen Farmer White (via phone)
James Barker (via phone)	Francis Michelini	A. Lee Williams
Wendy Beetlestone	Mollie Phillips (via phone)	Larry Wittig
Connie Davis (via phone)	Colleen Sheehan	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the November 16, 2011, meeting of the State Board of Vocational Education were approved on a **Michelini/Dungee Glenn** motion.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

Dr. Lee Burket highlighted the following items from the written report prepared by the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (BCTE):

Adult Accreditation

- June 2011, BCTE submitted on behalf of the State Board for Vocational Education (PASBVE), a petition to the USDE asking to continue to be an accrediting authority for career and technical centers that offer adult education programs.
- October 2011, BCTE provided USDE with additional documentation based on proposed questions to responses on the petition.
- December 2011, three staff members from BCTE attended the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) hearing regarding the PASBVE petition. The NACIQI Committee voted to continue PASBVE's recognition.
- USDE has identified six issues that must be addressed within 12 months in order for PASBVE to come into compliance, including explaining how the Bureau's budget is adequate to support accreditation operations and evidence that the Bureau provides all institutions with a written report of its evaluation.

State Library Study

At the September 2011 State Board meeting in Erie, Dr. Burket was asked to follow-up on the low response rate from comprehensive Career and Technology Centers (CTC) to the Board's quantitative study on school library programs. Each of the CTCs was contacted and asked to respond to identical questions to the survey conducted by the Board to gather data to inform the study. All Board members received a draft follow-up report on CTC responses in their binders, which will be discussed at a future Board meeting when the data is in final form for distribution.

Programs Of Study

Previously, Dr. Burket provided the State Board with different screen shots on how the Secondary Programs of Study link-up to the Post-Secondary Programs of Study. BCTE has worked with a vendor to develop a more user-friendly web-based resource to identifying these course equivalency details, which were released in November 2011. The webpage housing this information has been modernized and unnecessary information has been removed, making it easier for users to find the equivalency information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

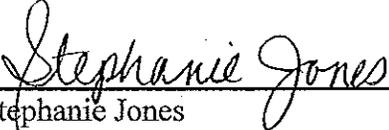
There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.



Stephanie Jones
Administrative Assistant