

KANSAS APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

June 14, 2022

Call to Order: Tony Naylor

Roll Call: KAC Members

Dr. Jennifer Seymour, Vice President of Gen. Ed & Applied Tech, WSU, Andover, KS

John Clark, Vice-President, Plumbers and Pipefitters, Wichita, KS

Beverly Mortimer, Senior Vice President of Programming, JAG-K, Delphos,

Neelima Parasker, President and CEO Snap IT Solutions, Overland Park, KS

Michael Gibson – Executive VP of Associated General Contractors, Andover, KS

Tony Naylor, Training Director, Wichita Electrical JATC, Wichita, KS

Alise Martiny, WF Development Mgr, Greater KC Building & Construction Council, KC, MO

Roy Konkey – Retired Apprenticeship Training Representative for the Federal Department of Labor

Department Staff

Shonda Atwater, Director of Internships and Apprenticeships, Topeka, KS

Chastity Troxel, Apprenticeship Program Manager, Paola, KS

Dona Thompson, Apprenticeship Program Grant Coordinator, Pittsburg, KS

Tambra Miller, Apprenticeship MGF Sector Coordinator, Lawrence, KS

Guests

None

Approval of Minutes: April 4, 2022; Tony requested Russ Kennedy be removed from Guests because he was not in attendance on this meeting. ***John moved to approve. Jennifer seconded. Motion Adopted 6 in favor, 0 opposed.***

Directors Report: Shonda Atwater*

- KAC Membership Update
 - Katy Reynolds
- Updated statewide data
 - Shonda shared new data that was released for RA data; Roy requested Oklahoma numbers to be included in the state comparison
- Funding
 - Shonda shared plan for Governor's budget for \$500,000; pilot projects for HC in rural communities, plan to utilize Department of Commerce audit department for our audit needs
- Staff updates

- Dona's position has changed to Apprenticeship Partnership Manager; now state funded
- Tandra Miller; new staff for MGF coordinator on SAEEL grant
- KBOR update
 - Proposed plan to hire Community College expert for RA
- Legislative update
 - SB91; apprenticeship removed from bill
 - SB181; Dead
 - 2022 Reauthorization Act
 - IJJA
- Big Picture
 - new grants; Program review by DOL coming, vision/mission statement

*see PowerPoint

Managers Update: Chastity Troxel

SAEEL intermediary sponsors have added occupations

*see Agenda

-RASEG closeout June 30,2022 – will meet measures of 441 apprentices served

Managers Update: Dona Thompson

RAPIDS update; all sponsors have access and will utilize moving forward

Upcoming Champion training; educating out sponsors and potential sponsors

Newly approved programs and upcoming

*see Agenda

Unfinished Business:

Subcommittees - Sub-Committee for Strategic planning; hope to have something on paper by August; policy updates actively working on; new approval process through Teams seems to be working well – will continue to use this tool to track feedback and responses

New Business: Shonda Atwater

- **Mission & Vision Statement –**

Neelima said this should be a goal statement not vision, seem like a hard reach; members voiced concern for no mention of apprentices in Mission statement; apprentices were added to the verbiage.

John moved to approve. Neelima seconded. Motion Adopted 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

VISION

Growing Kansas Apprenticeship to the Top 25 by 2025

MISSION

To meet the needs of the *Kansas economy and its citizens*, the office of Apprenticeship will *actively grow a robust system that supports our apprenticeship stakeholders, sponsors, apprentices, and intermediaries*. We do this by strategically empowering partnerships that serve a diverse and inclusive workforce through occupational proficiency, for generations to come.

- **New Chairman**

Tony – nominated John and opened for discussion; no other nominations

Motion Adopted 6 in favor, 0 opposed

-Will be voting for new Vice-Chair at next meeting

Public Meeting Agenda: <https://publicsquare.ks.gov/calendars/agency/2022/09/13/commerce/apprenticeship-council>

Posted on the weblink; no public in attendance

Q2 Meeting Date/Schedule:

September 13th, 2022 – in person

December 13th, 2022 – virtual

March 14th, 2023 – in person

June 13, 2023 – virtual

September 12th, 2023 – virtual

December 12, 2023 – virtual

Adjournment: Tony Naylor