

Arkansas Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee January 2023 Meeting Minutes

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Meeting called to order at 12:38 pm on January 5th, by Chairwoman Breashears (via GoToMeeting)

Roll Call:

Present: Greg Aleshire, Bill Allison, Karen Breashears, Nanci Caillouet, Ed Carrington, Heath Harris, Mary Beth Hatch, Bill Roachell, Kelley Sharp, and David Stephens

Absent: none

Guest: Derrick Daniels-OSD, Donna Lyon, Don Bellcock-OSD, Mark McManus-OSD, David Wallace-OSD, Rocky Mantooth, Randy Prather- US-DOL, Director Waits, and Zach Sloan

Previous Month's Meeting Minutes:

-There was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Bill Roachell to approve the minutes from the December meeting as presented. Motion passed.

Informational Items:

DOL-OA, Mr. Prather reported,

Begins at 1:55 minute-mark

- In December two new programs were approved, one in Springdale and another in Clarksville.
- In the last four years, Arkansas has almost doubled the number of apprentices.
- Of the eleven states in our region, Arkansas has the second most apprentices, only Texas has more.

Current Numbers.

Mr. Prather's spreadsheet is attached.

Active Programs – 134

New Apprentices – 565

Total Apprentices – 8123

Suspended – 6

Cancellations – 173

Completed – 130

Employers – 818

OSD-OA Reports, Mr. Daniels reported-see attached

Begins at 4:25 minute-mark

TA Monthly Financial Report

-See attached report from OSD

Starting budget \$1,654,000.00

Paid Out (as of 12/21/22) \$595,522.01

Current Balance \$1,045,677.99

CT Monthly Financial Report

-See attached report from OSD

Starting budget \$760,000.00

Approved to date \$248,716.90

Current balance \$511,283.10

OSD Director's Report

Begins at 7:45 minute-mark

-There was a discussion regarding the December Career Ed. Board meeting and their approval of Director Waits' plan to transition Arkansas to an SAA state.

Boards and Commissions

Begins at 11:15 minute-mark

-Chairwoman Breashears stated that each member that has a term expiring in December of 2022 will need to reapply. Once she gets word the website is taking applications, she will let everyone know.

Code Books

Begins at 12:00 minute-mark

-There was a discussion regarding the current funding practices of electrical and plumbing codebooks.

Release for Test

Begins at 26:05 minute-mark

-There was a discussion regarding the current practices and requirements for apprentices to be released for test.

Agenda Items:

Election of Officers

Begins at 48:00 minute-mark

-There was a motion by Bill Roachell and a 2nd by David Stephens to leave the executive committee as is, until the new committee is appointed. Motion Passed.

2023 Mission Statement

Begins at 52:45 minute-mark

-There was a motion by Kelley Sharp and a 2nd by Ed Carrington to approve the mission statement. Motion Passed.

Approval of Stipend and Travel

Begins at 54:15 minute-mark

-There was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Greg Aleshire to continue to use the current state guidelines for stipends and travel reimbursement. Motion Passed.

CT Grant Applications- see attachment

Begins at 55:25 minute-mark

CT-23-40: there was a motion by Greg Aleshire and a 2nd by David Stephens to approve in the amount of \$18.20, Motion Passed.

CT-23-41: there was a motion by Greg Aleshire and a 2nd by Bill Allison to approve in the amount of \$1,497.97, Motion Passed. David Stephens abstained.

CT-23-42: there was a motion by Bill Allison and a 2nd by Heath Harris to approve in the amount of \$14,280.65, Motion Passed. David Stephens abstained.

CT-23-43: there was a motion by Ed Carrington and a 2nd by David Stephens to approve in the amount of \$508.26, Motion Passed.

CT-23-44: there was a motion by Greg Aleshire and a 2nd by Kelley Sharp to approve in the amount of \$8,044.84, Motion Passed.

TA Grant Applications

Begins at 1:01:40 minute-mark

-There was a motion by Kelley Sharp and a 2nd by David Stephens to approve the additional instructors, for the spring semester, for ACEF and Arkansas State Carpenters JATC, as recommended by OSD. Motion Passed. Ed Carrington abstained.

-There was a motion by Greg Aleshire and a 2nd by David Stephens to approve the additional instructor, for the spring semester, for National Park. Motion Passed. Bill Allison abstained.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm

The next meeting is scheduled for February 2nd @ 12:30pm via GoToMeeting, (unless otherwise notified)

Sincerely,

Greg Aleshire
Secretary, AACSC