

Arkansas Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee June 2023 Meeting Minutes

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Meeting called to order at 12:30pm on June 1st, by Chairwoman Breashears (viaGoToMeeting)

Roll Call:

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

Absent: none

Guest: Cynthia McLain, US-DOL, Patricia Sanderson-BRTC, Rocky Mantooth-NATF, Bo James-AEI, Sheri Overstreet-ACE, Derrick Daniels-OSD, Don Bellcock-OSD, Director Waits-OSD, David Wallace-OSD, Charles Fulmer, and Tondra Love.

Previous Month's Meeting Minutes:

-There was a motion by Kelley Sharp and a 2nd by Bill Allison to approve the minutes from the May meeting as presented. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item #2 DOL-OA, Mrs. Cynthia McLain reported,
Begins at the 1:40 minute mark.**

Current Numbers, see attachment.

Active Programs – 151
New Apprentices – 1743
Total Apprentices – 8083
Suspended – 16
Cancellations – 990
Completed – 606
Employers – 877

Agenda Item #3 OSD-OA Reports

Begins at the 4:00 minute mark.

TA Monthly Financial Report

-See attached report from OSD

Starting budget	\$1,654,000.00
Paid Out (as of 5/25/23)	\$1,311,464.48
Current Balance	\$319,295.52

CT Monthly Financial Report

-See attached report from OSD

Starting budget	\$760,000.00
Approved to date	\$633,667.20
Current balance	\$126,332.80

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-Mr. Bellcock stated his he had not performed any classroom visits in the past month.

Agenda Item #4 OSD Director's Report

Begins at the 7:15 minute mark.

-Director Waits stated he had nothing at this time.

Agenda Item #5 Open Discussion

Begins at the 7:35 minute mark.

-Nothing currently.

Agenda Item #6 CT Grant Applications- see attachment.

Begins at the 8:15 minute mark.

CT-23-83: there was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Bill Allison to approve in the amount of \$930.74. Motion Passed.

CT-23-84: there was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Bill Allison to approve in the amount of \$271.70. Motion Passed.

CT-23-85: there was a motion by Bill Allison and a 2nd by Bill Roachell to approve in the amount of \$24,861.45. Motion Passed. David Stephens abstained.

CT-23-86: this application was pulled.

CT-23-87: there was a motion by Bill Allison and a 2nd by Kelley Sharp to approve in the amount of \$654.00. Motion Passed.

CT-23-88: there was a motion by Kelley Sharp and a 2nd by Ed Carrington to approve in the amount of \$0.00. Motion Passed.

CT-23-89: there was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Heath Harris to approve in the amount of \$995.66. Motion Passed.

CT-23-90: there was a motion by Ed Carrington and a 2nd by Bill Roachell to approve in the amount of \$5,859.97. Motion Passed. Bill Allison abstained.

CT-23-91: there was a motion by David Stephens and a 2nd by Greg Aleshire to approve in the amount of \$2,688.82. Motion Passed. Bill Allison abstained.

CT-23-92: there was a motion by Ed Carrington and a 2nd by Heath Harris to approve in the amount of \$9,114.66. Motion Passed. Bill Allison abstained.

CT-23-93: there was a motion by Bill Roachell and a 2nd by David Stephens to approve in the amount of \$2,147.65. Motion Passed. Bill Allison abstained.

FY24 Funding Guidelines

Begins at the 30:05 minute mark.

-Chairwoman Breashears gave updates and the recommendations from the executive committee meetings regarding the CT Funding Guidelines.

-Chairwoman Breashears gave updates and the recommendations from the executive committee meetings regarding the TA Funding Guidelines.

-There was a discussion regarding the Formula for the number of approved instructors multiplied by the established rate per hour multiplied by the hours of instruction. The executive committee recommends including the number of

hours in a program's standards of apprenticeship plus eight additional hours for make-up classes.

-There was a discussion regarding the number of instructors per class location for reimbursement. The executive committee recommended a formula of one instructor per ten apprentices. Director Waits expressed concern that this would create an undue burden for three programs and that there was no reason to have a formula, or ratio, at all.

-There was a discussion regarding allowable expenditures.

-There was a discussion regarding the 30-30 rule. Mr. Daniels stated that OSD is in opposition to this rule. Chairwoman Breashears reminded OSD of the rollcall vote last July to keep the 30-30 rule in the funding guidelines. Mr. Daniels stated that OSD did not follow that recommendation nor take that into consideration while evaluating applications in FY23.

-There was a question regarding possible dates of the July training. Mr. Daniel stated that either July 19th or 26th are currently being considered.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 1:56pm

The next meeting is scheduled for July 6th @ 12:30pm via GoToMeeting, (unless otherwise notified)

Sincerely,

Greg Aleshire
Secretary, AACSC