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Arkansas Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee

February 6, 2025

Meeting Commence

Chairman Kelley Sharp called the meeting to order February 6, 2025, at 12:33pm CST.

Roll Call

Present:

Heath Harris

Kelley Sharp

David Stephens

Dr. Cathy Riggins

Bill Roachell

Aaron Chastain

Tracey Chambers

Ed Carrington

ABSENT

Guest In Attendance

Derrick Daniels -OSD

Zach Sloan- ACEF

Hannah Lammers NPC

Crystal Cornell- Little Rock Electrical

Tondra Love – Central AR ATC Plumbing

Latrice Hildreth – OSD

Kimberely Moore- ABC

Michelle Christen - BWMA

Ty Johnston- AR Dept Education

Ken Beach- ASUN

Shannon Murphy – UAM College of Technology

Approval of Minutes: 1:06

A motion was made by Bill Roachell and seconded by David Stephens to approve the minutes as presented from the January 9, 2024, meeting. Motion passed.

Informational Item: CT Funds: 1:26

Derrick Daniels provided a review of CT funding and expenditures concerning the past few years to include FY 23 – FY 25. Derrick provided apprentices numbers for FY21 – FY25. Data indicated an increase in numbers each year. There was an increase of 1,467 apprentices from FY 21 enrollment to FY25 enrollment.

Informational Item: Arkansas State Legislature 95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025: 10:35

The floor was open for discussion concerning any bills that will affect apprenticeships in Arkansas. Derrick Daniels shared information concerning Issue One and Senate Bill 50. At the present time, discussion is occurring around Issue One concerning how the rules and regulations will impact apprenticeship funding for programs not operating through higher education institutions. He stated that SB50 is being monitored.

Informational Item: OSD and TA Report: 27:56

Derrick Daniels shared the December OSD Budget Report. He also shared that the following programs have recently been approved:

- ABC- Plumbing and Electrical, Springdale
- Arkansas Carpenters and Millwrights Union, Russellville
- Charles Fulmer- Electrical Pre-Apprenticeship, Cabot

Open Discussion: 34:56

There was no open discussion.

The next meeting will be on March 6, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. The minutes of this meeting will be submitted by Dr. Riggins prior to the next meeting.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Aaron Chastain and seconded by Heath Harris to adjourn. Motion passed.