

# Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center

# Highlights

## December 10, 2020 Reorganizational and Regular Meeting

1. **The Joint Operating Committee reorganized and re-elected Mr. Alan Tresnicky as Chairperson and Mr. Galen George as Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Gary Costlow was re-appointed as the JOC Solicitor and the Beard Legal group was re-appointed as the Personnel Issues Solicitor.**
2. **The 2021 JOC Meeting times and dates were approved as follows:**
  - January 26                      6:30 PM                      Tuesday
  - February 23                     6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - March 23                        6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - April 27                         6:00 PM                     Tuesday
  - May 25                          6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - June 22                         6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - August 11                       6:30 PM                     **Wednesday**
  - September 28                 6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - October 26                     6:30 PM                     Tuesday
  - December 9                    6:30 PM                     **Thursday (Reorganizational and Regular Meeting)**
3. **Minutes approved from October 27, 2020 Regular Meeting.**
4. **Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills approved.**
5. **Received correspondence from:**
  - A. Notification was received, from the Conemaugh Township Area School District, stating that Mr. Alan Tresnicky and Dr. Rocco Mantini were appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representatives for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mr. Earl E. Sleek, II will be their alternate representative.
  - B. Notification was received, from the Ferndale Area School District, stating that Mr. Stephen Thompson was appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representative for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mrs. Susan Boyle will be their alternate representative.
  - C. Notification was received, from the Forest Hills School District, stating that Mr. Galen George, Dr. Timothy Ondrejlik, Dr. Richard Knavel and Mr. Edward Hudak were appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representatives for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mr. Keith Rager will be their alternate representative.
  - D. Notification was received, from the Greater Johnstown School District, stating that Mr. Eugene Pentz was appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representative for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mr. Randy Romesberg will be their alternate representative.

- E. Notification was received, from the Richland School District, stating that Mr. David Hudak and Mr. Julian Beglin were appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representatives for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mrs. Tricia Shaffer will be their alternate representative.
- F. Notification was received, from the Westmont Hilltop School District, stating that Mrs. Lisa Drennen and Dr. William Carney were appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representatives for the term from December 2020 through November 2021.
- G. Notification was received, from the Windber Area School District, stating that Mr. Kevin Sheehan, Mrs. Valerie Wojcik, and Mr. Steve Kormanik were appointed as their GJCTC JOC Representatives for the term from December 2020 through November 2021. Mr. Matt Waite will be their alternate representative.
- H. A thank you letter was received from Soccer Shots.
- I. A Certificate of Recognition was received from the Senate of Pennsylvania.

**6. Items for Information only:**

**A. A Conference Report was received from the following employee:**

- 1. Kevin Gaudlip, Police Academy Instructor, 2020 MPOETC Municipal Instructor In-Service Training.

**7. Executive Session for Personnel Matters – Not needed**

**8. Approved the Committee of the Whole Agenda, as follows:**

**A. ITEMS RELATING TO EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL**

- 1. Retroactively approved the contract with Professional Training Associates, Inc. to conduct an 8-hour EPA Renovation, Repair, and Painting Training Class.
- 2. Ratified the director's acceptance of the resignation of Mr. Bill Richards, Johnstown Regional Police Academy Director.
- 3. Approved the director's request to begin pursuit of a new Academy Director for a Day-light program to begin with our Fall 2021 session.
- 4. Approved the Culinary Training Service Provider Agreement with Rouxbe Video Technologies Inc.
- 5. Approved the administration's recommendation to use the National Academy of Sports Medicine curriculum and that GJCTC agrees to be part of the Recognized Education Partner Program.
- 6. At the request of PDE, approved the administration's recommendation to update to our Professional Development Plan.
- 7. Retroactive approval, based on the Solicitor's advisement, to complete and file with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the form entitled "Attestation Ensuring Implementation of Mitigation Efforts" Option 1 and to provide remote teaching and learning December 1 through December 11, 2020.
- 8. Approved GJCTC Secondary and Adult education to operate via remote teaching and learning beginning on Monday, December 14, 2020. The Secondary students may return when in-person student instruction is at 50% of the student population, estimated to be January 4, 2021. Adult students will return on January 4, 2021.

**B. ITEMS RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE**

- 1. Approved the minutes from the October 27, 2020 Budget and Finance Committee Meeting.
- 2. Accepted the 36 month RFP for electricity from Aspen Energy.

**C. ITEMS RELATING TO BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

1. Approved lead water testing for the 2020 - 2021 school year.

**D. ITEMS RELATING TO STUDENT ACTIVITIES - None**

9. Dr. Jason Hicks, Assistant Administrator of Secondary Education, provided the attached High School Report.
10. Mrs. Tricia Rummel, Supervisor of Adult Education, provided the attached Adult Education Report.
11. Mr. John S. Augustine II, Administrative Director, provided the attached Director's Report. Additionally, Mr. Augustine announced Mrs. Kakabar, who is retiring effective December 31, 2020, and thanked her for her 9 years of service and for allowing the school the freedom to go to new heights.
12. Mrs. Carole Kakabar, Chief School Administrator, thanked the board for the bouquet of flowers to commemorate her upcoming retirement. She stated that it was great to work with Mr. Augustine, Mrs. Rummel and all of the staff at GJCTC. GJCTC has a great board and leadership who all work together and should be proud. She said it has been an honor to serve as the Chief School Administrator and although she will miss it, she feels comfortable passing it over to Mr. TJ Kakabar.
  - A. Mr. Thomas J. Kakabar, in-coming Chief School Administrator, thanked Mrs. Kakabar on behalf of the Superintendents. He believes in the mission of GJCTC. The leadership at GJCTC has done a great job and is a good option for many of the area students.
13. Mr. Gary Costlow, Solicitor, thanked the board for the reappointment. Mr. Costlow also thanked Mrs. Kakabar for the ease of working together for the past 9 years.
14. Mr. Alan Tresnicky, J.O.C. Chairperson, first addressed Mrs. Kakabar and thanked her, from all of the board members, for her time, effort, and leadership. Additionally, Mr. Tresnicky thanked the board for their confidence in the re-election of the officers and he welcomed Mr. Kakabar to his upcoming position as the Chief School Administrator. Looking forward he feels that the future will be bright once we get past Covid. Lastly, he wished the board members a Merry Christmas.
15. The January Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 26, 2021, immediately following the Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:30 p.m.