

Minutes (Draft) GMTCC Regional Advisory Board Meeting February 14, 2018

GMTCC Mission

"To promote the mastery of the essential:

*Academic skills

*Technical skills

*Employability skills

for Secondary/Adult students to be successful in the workforce and to continue professional learning."

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Ciccolo, Joe Elmore/Morristown Board Rep. Vice Chair
- DeLaricheliere, Tod Hazen Union School Board Rep
- Lumbra, Darlene Member at Large
- Menard, Sharon Member at Large (voted in as first agenda item)
- Rosenbaum, Emily Stowe Board
- Rylands-Iassacson, Mary Lou Craftsbury Board Rep
- Whitcomb, David LUSD#18 Board Rep.

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Gallagher, Cat LNSU Superintendent
- LeBlanc, Joanne OSSU Superintendent
- Marron, Richard 3rd at Large
- Wrend, Tracy LSSU Superintendent Chair

Advisory Members and General Public who attend:

- Clark, Deb LNSU Business Manager
- Lussier, Sherry GMTCC Director
- Parker, Meaghan GMTCC School Counseling Coordinator

Joe called the meeting to order at 8:00.

Joe welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Joe noted that as there was no one from the public no public comment.

Budget - Sherry reviewed budget changes since the last meeting:

Change in final numbers led to a different percentage change. The budget was slated to increase .58% and now there is a decrease of 1.1%. The change in tuition was from \$8,920 to \$8,696.

NOTE: Final budget to be voted on in March is same as approved by RAB and LNMUUSD in December.

Agency of Education Review – The Agency of Education reviewed GMTCC in October of 2017. They spoke to a number of our RAB members as well as parents, students, and businesses about GMTCC, AoE recently let us know that we need a more recent VOSHA inspection before they can complete their report. VOSHA will be coming to GMTCC in the next few weeks to do the inspection.

Sugarhouse - Tapping has begun, siding is nearly finished and we just found out that Gov. Scott is going to do the ceremonial tapping of the tree at GMTCC Forestry. He will be there March 7, 8 or 9th.

Announcements – GMTCC job interview competition is taking place. Students have practiced and now will interview with local business folks. Winners will go on to the state competitions in Burlington. Quilt Raffle Winner was Pete Shaw. Sustainable Ag students placed 1st and 3rd at the Farm Show for a poster contest. Forestry program took 3rd overall at Farm Show. Students from GMTCC Business and LUHS Business attended Entrepreneur Day at the Plaza in Montpelier. A Snow Day forced a change in the date of the College Fair to March 9. Adobe Creative Cloud used us in their national ad campaign. Directors of the Tech Centers across the state joined with AoE, VTC and businesses to learn from Senator Bernie Sanders, German Ambassador Wittig and his staff to discuss apprenticeship systems. Both at the state house and at the Central Vermont Career Center, they were able to focus with Senator Sanders on how to bring apprenticeships to the forefront of training. Joe asked about the possibility of starting a criminal justice program at GMTCC. Sherry will look into it. Sharon mentioned that there were 4 students going to the Rotary Speech Contest, 3 from the Tech Center. Open House she thought was a great event.

Minutes of December 6, 2017 meeting – Motion was made by Emily and seconded by Darlene to accept the minutes, motion passed.

Other – Darlene related that she had 2 PreTech students at her business (LWI). She was excited that LWI was able to take time and talk about what they were making. The students got to weld stainless steel. We have set the Completion Ceremony for June 12th. If we have too many more snow days we may have to revisit that. Completion Ceremony is held at Johnson State College in the Dibden Center.

NEXT RAB IS MARCH 14, 2018 AT 8:00 AM AT THE GMTCC FORESTRY CLASSROOM. LIGHT BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED

Meeting adjourned.