



GMTCC
Regional Advisory Board Minutes
May 9, 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:

- Brochhausen, Jim – Stowe School Board Rep
- Ciccolo, Joe – Elmore/Morristown Board Rep. **Vice Chair**
- LeBlanc, Joanne – OSSU Superintendent
- Lumbra, Darlene – Member at Large
- Menard, Sharon – Member at Large (voted in as first agenda item)
- Whitcomb, David – LUSD#18 Board Rep.
- Wrend, Tracy – LSSU Superintendent – **Chair**

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

- DeLarichelier, Tod – Hazen Union School Board Rep
- Gallagher, Cat – LNSU Superintendent
- Rylands-Iassacson, Mary Lou – Craftsbury Board Rep
- Marron, Richard – 3rd at Large

Advisory Members and General Public who attend:

- Damato, Chris – Adult Education/Assistant Director
- Daudelin, Mallery – Co-op Coordinator
- Lussier, Sherry - GMTCC Director
- O’Connor, Kim – GMTCC School Liaison
- Parker, Meaghan – Guidance Counselor

Tracy called the meeting to order at 8:03.

Introductions were done.

No Public comment.

- **PreTech** – Lou Weller came in to speak with RAB about PreTech. PreTech is designed for 10th grade students who thrive in a hands-on learning environment with an emphasis on applied academics. Students engage in traditional academic subjects, in addition to developing employability and technical skills necessary to be successful in a global workforce and pursuit of

lifelong professional learning. Intensive career exploration opportunities occur in several programs, taking into consideration students' interests. Job shadows at local businesses extend career exploration experiences.

Personnel – HVAC Instructor Mark Wright has resigned, Sherry is working out long term subbing. We have hired Heidi Richard for our Allied Health Instructor. Roscoe Allen from Power Sport is leaving to go and work with Harley Davidson. Chris Lippa, Academic teacher, will be moving to another state and leaving GMTCC.

Possible Changes In Programming – Sherry has been working with the high school to try to give more access to students in the high school to our programs. Last year we added the 4th Block Foundations class. For the upcoming school year, we want to offer both full day and half day options for Lamoille Union High Schoolers for the Computer Technology program. Sherry has worked with Ted Weed, the Computer Networking Instructor to compartmentalize his curriculum so that he would teach I.T and Networking in the mornings and concentrate on Coding and Cybersecurity in the afternoon. Our hope is that this will allow more students to take advantage of the program who would otherwise need to be in the high school for one or two other classes. This idea was met with much enthusiasm at the high school and AOE. Sherry has checked with the AOE and they do not need official change of program application for this. David made a motion to move forward with this, Joe seconded. Joe said he thought this was a good idea for this program, wouldn't necessarily work for all programs. Motion passed.

Academics – We are moving the academics program of teaching small classes in each classroom to combining a few classes in one room, based on career cluster, for a more focused curriculum.

Power Sport – Plans for Hiatus – Ensure enough time to get the best quality instructor possible, students can be accommodated for through Co-op and 2nd choice programs, advised from AOE to get approval from RAB and School Board. No need for AOE proposal yet, still use space for Welding classes, other adult classes, possible temporary place for Electrical Technology for a year. Joe C made motion not to support Sherry's recommendation to put Power Sport on Hiatus for a year and that after a reasonable attempt to find an instructor that LNMUUSD Board could make the final decision. Joanne seconded. Joe thought that we should attempt to find a person to replace Roscoe. There was concern that once a program is closed that it is harder to restart. Vote was taken, motion passed.

Two Year Report from NEASC – We have received our 2 year report and Sherry will email it out at a later date. It was a good report and basically what we expected.

Upendo Mmoja update – WE DID IT!!!!!!! We have raised the funds necessary for the trip. We have now started to work on a cushion so that we can get to Logan Airport and to buy T-Shirts for us and our host, the orphans.

SkillsUSA Update – We had 5 first place winners, 7 second place winners and 6 third place winners. All first place winners have the option to compete in Kentucky for the National SkillsUSA competition. GMTCC received 1st place in the Chapter of Excellence Program for Vermont and Joanne Zorzi was Advisor of the Year.

Revisit of Mission, Philosophy and Goals –NEASC introduced the idea of inclusion of parents, community and students to work on the Mission, Philosophy and Goals. This was just a heads up that next year we will be looking at RAB to help with the completion of this.

Discussion of possible change in accreditation services – Sherry explained the difference between the two and at this point, no decision was made to change.

Grants – Sherry presented the board with a timetable of the various grants that GMTCC is involved with.

Announcements – We had the National Technical Honor Society Induction and had 17 students inducted. PreTech Banquet is June 8th 5:30-8:00, all invited please let Brian Schwartz (bschwartz@gmtcc.net) know if you can make it. Dinner will be served.

Minutes – Minutes from Feb 14 meeting and the notes from March 28, Joe made a motion to accept the minutes, Dave seconded, motion passed.

NEXT YEAR’S SCHEDULE FOR RAB:

SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

NOVEMBER 14, 2018

DECEMBER 5, 2018

FEBRUARY 13, 2019

MARCH 13, 2019

MAY 8, 2019

NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 12, 2018 AT 8:00 AM

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00.