

## **Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee Notes**

**May 11, 2023**

### **Members in Attendance:**

Bechtel, Matt  
Blake, Sarah  
Chappell, Eliza  
Franklin, Todd  
Garant, Jay  
Gonzalez, Juan Pablo  
Krezel, Alexa  
Lewis, Mary

Lima-Whitney, Alice  
Ludeman, Michelle  
Parker, Joseph  
Raj, Anitha  
Smith, Shonna  
Thieberger, Paul  
Varkonyi, Irvin

### **Absent Members:**

Berry, Paul  
Bolles, Thomas  
Crispino, Lauren  
Duke, Jodi  
Frank, Andrew  
Hopkins, Barbara

Minton-Eversole, Theresa  
Phillips, Adam  
Portillo-Gomez, Manny  
Sanghera, Kammy  
Siddhi, Saanvi  
Williams, Wendy

The regular meeting of the Fairfax County School Board's Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee (CTEAC) was called to order on May 11, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. by Alexa Krezel, Chair. The meeting was held in room 1002A/B of 8270 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031. The option to attend virtually was made available via Zoom.

### **Call to Order and Opening Remarks – Alexa Krezel**

#### **School Board Updates – Whitney Ketchledge on behalf of Melanie Meren**

This week the Board gave final input on the forthcoming strategic plan. There is a very clear focus on success after graduation, and I'm confident that this will pave the way for increasing access to an array of CTE and workforce development opportunities. The Board votes on the Strategic Plan on June 15.

#### **Nomination Presentation and Vote – Anitha Raj**

The nominating committee proposed the slate of officers, moved and seconded to elect the officers. Alexa Krezel as Chair and Irvin Varkonyi as Vice Chair for 2023-24 school year.

#### **Selection Committee Presentation and Vote – Saby Carter**

List supplied of the suggested selection members; move forward with endorsing the people on the list and submitting to the School Board.

**Review and Approval of Annual Report – Whitney Ketchledge and Alexa Krezel**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the annual report.

- Yes – 15, No – 0
- DocuSign of report approval will be sent electronically to committee members to collect signatures in addition to votes collected in meeting.

**Review and Discussion of CTEAC Committee Charge – Alexa Krezel**

CTEAC's recommendation to present to the School Board the following charge:

- Promote awareness, equitable access, and participation in all CTE programs. Increase understanding of career-readiness options provided by CTE programs with an emphasis on exposure to working in a virtual or hybrid workplace, workforce trends, and growing leadership skills.

Motion to approve the recommended charge was made and seconded.

**Review of CTEAC Meeting Calendar – Alex Krezel**

2023-24 CTEAC calendar date was updated and presented

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

**Next Meeting:** September 14, 2023, 8:30 a.m. Room TBD, Willow Oaks. Zoom option will be available.

**Mission Statement:** To provide advice to the school administration and the School Board on career and technical education programs and initiatives for the purpose of improving the effectiveness of these programs and associated courses in providing students with the knowledge and skills that contribute to their preparation for the workforce, military, and/or continuing education in a competitive global economy, and to help the schools obtain support and participation from the business community and the public.

**Committee Charge:** In collaboration with key stakeholders, ensure equitable awareness, access, and participation in all CTE programs. Ensure greater awareness of career-readiness options provided by CTE programs with a new emphasis on exposure to working in a virtual or hybrid workplace, workforce trends, and growing leadership skills.

*Issues related to Career and Technical Education should be submitted in writing to the executive council for consideration as future agenda items.*