

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY**
Technical Program and Curriculum Committee
MINUTES
May 15, 2025

The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority's Technical Program and Curriculum Committee met via Zoom on May 15, 2025. Proper notice was given according to the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Beene, Chair
 Debra Mikulka
 Ray Frederick, Jr.
 Natalie Clark
 Cindy Hoover, Vice Chair
 Mark Hess

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Tiffany Anderson

Chair Beene called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Beene requested a motion regarding the minutes from the committee's April 10, 2025, meeting. Member Frederick moved to approve the minutes as presented, and Member Hoover seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

ACT ON REQUESTS FOR DEGREE AND/OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS FROM COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES

Charmine Chambers, Director for Workforce Development, presented on six new certificate and/or degree program requests. These requests are from the Washburn University Institute of Technology, Garden City Community College, Independence Community College, and Manhattan Area Technical College. Detailed program information, rationale, demand, existing programs, and costs/funding for the requested program are included in the May 15, 2025, meeting packet materials. Director Chambers suggested doing all of WIT so they could attend graduation ceremonies. She presented their Degree and/or Certificate Program, Excel in CTE request, and Promise Act Program.

1. Washburn Institute of Technology: HVAC (47.0201) Technical Certificate A/24 credit hours; Technical Certificate C/48 credit hours; Associate of Applied Science degree/63 credit hours. Director Chambers also presented the Excel in CTE fee requirements and new Promise Act Programs for the institution.

Member Frederick moved to approve the WTI request for the HVAC program, along with a request to add the presented Excel in CTE fee requirements and new Promise Act Programs be added to the April 24, 2025, TEA consent agenda, and member Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director Chambers then suggested moving Fort Hays Tech | Northwest: Electrical Technology (46.0302) Fee Updates up on the agenda so they could participate in their graduation ceremonies. She presented the Electrical Technology (46.0302) Fee Updates.

Member Mikulka moved to add it to the consent agenda, and Member Hoover seconded. The motion passed.

2. Garden City Community College: Construction Technology (46.0201) Technical Certificate B/31 credit hours; Technical Certificate C/46 credit hours; Associate of Applied Science/60 credit hours.

Member Frederick moved to approve the GCCC request that the Construction Technology program be added to the consent agenda. Member Hoover seconded the motion, which passed.

3. Garden City Community College: Electrical Technology (46.0302) Technical Certificate B/31 credit hours; Technical Certificate C/46 credit hours; Associate of Applied Science/64 credit hours.

Member Clark moved to approve the GCCC request that the Electrical Technology program be added to the consent agenda. Member Hoover seconded the motion, which passed.

4. Independence Community College: Industrial Maintenance Technology (47.0303) Technical Certificate A/29 credit hours; Technical Certificate B/42 credit hours.

Member Mikulka moved to approve the ICC request that the Industrial Maintenance Technology program be added to the consent agenda. Member Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed.

5. Manhattan Area Technical College: Early Childhood Education (19.0709) A/18 credit hours; Technical Certificate B/30 credit hours; Associate of Applied Science/60 credit hours.

Member Frederick moved to approve the MATC request that the Early Childhood Education program be added to the consent agenda. Member Hoover seconded the motion, which passed.

6. Manhattan Area Technical College: Plumbing Technology (46.0503) A/19 credit hours; Technical Certificate B/38 credit hours; Associate of Applied Science/62 credit hours.

Member Frederick moved to approve the MATC request that the Plumbing Technology program be added to the consent agenda. Member Hoover seconded the motion, which passed.

ACT ON EXCEL IN CTE FEE REQUESTS

Director Chambers presented on the other new programs/certificates that meet the guidelines for fees associated with Excel in CTE courses and programs from Washburn Institute of Technology, Independence Community College, and Fort Hays Tech/Northwest. The agenda provides additional information.

1. Washburn Institute of Technology: HVAC (47.0201) see Act on Requests for Degree and/or Certificate Programs from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges #1.
2. Independence Community College: Industrial Maintenance Technology (47.0303)
Member Mikulka moved to add Maintenance Technology to the consent agenda. Member Hoover seconded the motion, and it passed.
3. Fort Hays Tech | Northwest: Electrical Technology (46.0302) Fee Updates. see Act on Requests for Degree and/or Certificate Programs from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges #1.

ACT ON NEW PROMISE ACT PROGRAMS

Director Chambers presented on four new Promise Act Programs from Washburn Institute of Technology, Garden City Community College, and Independence Community College, and recommended approval.

Member Mikulka moved to approve all of the programs as Promise Act eligible and add them to the May 29, 2025, TEA consent agenda, and Member Hoover seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Chair Beene announced that the next scheduled Program and Committee Meeting would be August 7, 2025. He also reminded the group of the upcoming TEA meeting on May 29, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Beene adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.