

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY**
Technical Program and Curriculum Committee
MINUTES
February 5, 2026

The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority's Technical Program and Curriculum Committee met via Zoom on February 5, 2026. Proper notice was given according to the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Reist
 Natalie Clark
 Debra Mikulka
 Ray Frederick, Jr.
 Dr. Tiffany Anderson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Beene, Chair
 Cindy Hoover, Vice Chair

Member Reist called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Reist requested a motion regarding the minutes of the committee's January 8, 2026, meeting.

Member Frederick moved to approve the minutes as presented, and Member Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

Act on Request(s) for Degree and/or Certificate Programs from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges:

Charmine Chambers, Director for Workforce Development, presented a request from Washburn University Institute of Technology: Medical Assistant (51.0801) program. Detailed program information, rationale, demand, existing programs, and costs/funding for the requested program are included in the February 5, 2026, meeting packet materials.

1. Washburn University Institute of Technology: Medical Assistant (51.0801)

Member Frederick moved to approve Washburn University Institute of Technology's request for a Medical Assistant program to be added to February 19, 2026, TEA consent agenda. Member Clark seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Director Chambers then presented a request from Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology: Electric Power Distribution (46.0301) program. Detailed program information, rationale, demand, existing programs, and costs/funding for the requested program are included in the February 5, 2026, meeting packet materials.

2. Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology: Electric Power Distribution (46.0301)

Member Frederick moved to table WSU Tech's request for an Electric Power Distribution program until WSU and Pratt Community College can try to resolve issues. Member Mikulka seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Director Chambers then presented a request from Manhattan Area Technical College: Electrician (46.0302) program. Detailed program information, rationale, demand, existing programs, and costs/funding for the requested program are included in the February 5, 2026, meeting packet materials.

3. Manhattan Area Technical College: Electrician (46.0302)

Member Frederick moved to approve Manhattan Area Technicals College's request for an Electrician program to be added to February 19, 2026, TEA consent agenda. Member Clark seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Act on Request(s) for New Promise Act Program(s)

Director Chambers presented background information regarding Washburn University Institute of Technology: Medical Assistant (51.0801) and Manhattan Area Technical College: Electrician (46.0302) requests to be eligible for the Promise Act Scholarship. Member Clark moved to approve; Member Mikulka seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Act on Request(s) for Excel in CTE Fee Approval

Director Chambers presented background information on the new program/certificate that meets the guidelines for fees associated with Excel in CTE courses and programs from Washburn University Institute of Technology. Member Frederick moved to approve the request to be added to February 19, 2026, TEA consent agenda. Member Mikulka seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Discuss Tiered to Non-Tiered Course Review

Director Chambers lead discussion on tiered and non-tiered course review. She provided information on the review process for tiered and non-tiered courses and the use of the courses in institutions. Member Anderson moved to bring the discussion to February 19, 2026, TEA consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Member Mikulka and the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Member Reist announced that the next scheduled Program and Committee Meeting would be on March 12, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Reist adjourned the meeting at 4:15 P.M.