



**CAREER & EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (CEAC)  
MINUTES**

**March 10, 2023; 1:00 P.M.**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm by Jody Kerbyson.

Allard, Diana - Genesee ISD	X	Langenburg, Brad - MI-Tech Tool	X
Avery, James - Flint Genesee Group/WDB mbr	X	Laventure, Todd - Tuscola ISD, TTC Principal/CTE Director	
Dr. Myszenski, Rebecca - Mott Community College		Lietz, Lindsay - ZF Group	X
Finkbeiner, Ann- Scheurer Hospital	X	Napier, Troy - Baker College Owosso	
Fletcher, Charmian - Shiawassee RESD	X	Schlaud, Annette-Lapeer Co Ed & Tech/WDB mbr	X
Franks, Dale - Shiawassee RESD		Terry, Verona - Flint Genesee Job Corps Center	X
Grimes, Dayonte - Lapeer Community Schools		Walker, Lane - Huron Area Technical Center	X
Hipes, Howard - Michigan Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Training Center	X	Whitcomb, Trish - Davison Heating & Cooling	
Kerbyson, Jody - GST Michigan Works	X		
Cowhy, Dawn - Lapeer ISD, Asst. Principal, Ed Tech Center		Najor, Tony - Lapeer ISD, Principal, Ed Tech Center	X
Fults, James - MDOT		Nelson, Deb-Sanilac ISD, Student Services Coordinator	X
Guzman, Rey - Business Services Representative, State of Michigan	X	Schafer, Dylan - Economic Analyst, State of Michigan	X
Keenan-Lechel, Sarah - Genesee ISD	X	Thayer, Lory - Shiawassee RESD	
Konarski, Ann - Lapeer County CAN		Yorks, Patti - Genesee ISD, Career & College Access Coordinator	X
Lange, Duane - Sanilac ISD, Superintendent		Zagorski, Kristen - Huron ISD - MiSTEM Director for Huron, Sanilac & Tuscola counties	X
Mosher, Dawn - Lapeer ISD, Manager of Assessment, Data & Instructional Services			

11 members were present. An X indicates present members.

Staff present were Sharon Bowen, Jessica Billiau, Angela Libkie, Cindy Thornthwaite, Wanda Bigelow and Stephanie Polmanteer.

**II. Action Items**

**Diana Allard moved to add action item "h" to the agenda – Update the Region 6 Occupational Clusters (Top 5).** Member Charmian Fletcher supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**a. Election of Officers – *Postponed for a future meeting.***

**b. Approval of minutes of previous meeting**

Member Charmian Fletcher moved to approve minutes of the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, meeting. Member Howard Hipes supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED

**c. Approval of 23-24 Perkins Grant Application for Region 15 - Diana Allard**

The Grant Application for Region 15 was presented by Diana Allard. Member Howard Hipes moved to approve the grant applications for Region 15. Member James Avery supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**d. Approval of 23-24 Perkins Grant Application for Region 11 – Tony Najor**

The Grant Application for Region 11 was presented by Tony Najor. Member Charmian Fletcher moved to approve the grant applications for Region 11. Member Diana Allard supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**e. Approval of MiSTEM Region 7 Strategic Plan - Charmian Fletcher**

The MiSTEM Region 7 Strategic Plan was presented by Charmian Fletcher. Member Diana Allard moved to approve the MiSTEM Region 7 Strategic Plan. Member Howard Hipes supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Chair Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**f. Approval of MiSTEM Region 11 Strategic Plan - Kristen Zagorski**

The MiSTEM Region 11 Strategic Plan was presented by Kristen Zagorski. Member Charmian Fletcher moved to MiSTEM Region 11 Strategic Plan. Member Lane Walker supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**g. Approval of MiSTEM Region 6 Strategic Plan - Sarah Keenan-Lechel**

The MiSTEM Region 6 Strategic Plans was presented by Sarah Keenan-Lechel. Member Charmian Fletcher moved to approve the MiSTEM Region 6 Strategic Plan. Member Jody Kerbyson supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote.

All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**h. Update the Region 6 Occupational Clusters (Top 5)**

Member Diana Allard discussed the Top 5 Occupational Clusters for Region 6 and requested that the clusters be updated to include:

1. Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
2. Health Science
3. Manufacturing
4. Architecture and Construction
5. Education and Training

Member Howard Hipes moved to update the Region 6 Occupational Clusters. Member Charmian Fletcher supported the motion. Jody Kerbyson called for discussion. Jody Kerbyson called for vote. All members present voted AYE.

MOTION PASSED.

**III. Updates**

**a. Adult Education – Annette Schlaud**

No updates to report.

**b. Adult Ed/CTE Consortium – Diana Allard**

The second cohort of Adult-Ed and CTE program has started. Students have enrolled in CNA, Electrical and Welding. GSTMW has assisted in helping students update/create resumes. A Career Navigator has been conducting tours of the facility to help inform students about the options available and what kind of training they provide.

**c. Career & College Access Networks**

- Genesee County - Patti Yorks announced that (MAS) Michigan Achievement Scholarships are available for graduates. Eighty percent of Michigan graduates should qualify for the scholarships. FASFA must be completed by students to qualify. Students have until May 1<sup>st</sup> to submit the FAFSA.
- Huron County - Lane Walker shared that their Interview Days wrapped up last week. Several students were set up with interviews. It will be followed up with a job fair on March 17<sup>th</sup> with the goal of 35-40 businesses signing up to attend the job fair.
- Lapeer County - Tony Najor announced they will be holding their advisory meeting with employers and partners on April 12<sup>th</sup>. A presentation will be done at the meeting to recruit for their second annual job fair for local employers. Last year was successful with 60 employers attending the fair. The job fair is for seniors only from 11:30-2:00pm and will open to the community after that timeframe.
- Shiawassee County - Charmian Fletcher reported that they just closed enrollment for the fall on March 1<sup>st</sup>. There were increases in enrollment for all 3 areas. They are planning to incorporate an interview process for early college students to emphasize the commitment of the 13<sup>th</sup> year. CTE-millage passed in August, and they have seen a 60 percent increase in enrollment.

- d. Skilled Trades/Apprenticeships – Wanda Bigelow announced that four additional programs were approved by USDOL, including Tool and Die, Surgical Tech and two Carpentry programs. The program will be holding a 3-day job fair, each day consisting of two separate industries. The job fair will be held in partnership with GCI from April 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> at their location. The Michigan Construction Career Days event will be held from April 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> in Howell.
- e. MiCareerQuest™ East - Jessie Billiau reported that planning for this year's event is going well. Jessie shared the estimated slot availability for each county for the event. As before, there will be four quadrants, and it would be great for the students to have 25-30 employers present per quadrant. Jessie also presented the layout/timeframe for the event. She reported that GSTMW was able to meet the funding requirement for the event, however, is still encouraging fundraising so we have a good start on next year's goal. MiCareerQuest™ East student registration should be open mid-to-late March. The team is working to ensure ways to let adults know that the career fair will be open as a job fair in the afternoon of March 24<sup>th</sup>. The invitation is also extended to Adult Ed for the job fair.
- f. Young Professionals 2023-2024 Initiative- Angela Libkie reported that GST Michigan Works! received Young Professionals funding, however not as much as last year. Recruitment has not opened yet, but she hopes to start in May. Another update will be provided in late April or early May to report on how many slots they will have available.

IV. Talent Talk Quarterly Newsletter- Jody Kerbyson informed members that this month's Talent Talk will be sent out digitally for review.

V. Other Updates/Comments

Verona Terry announced that Job Corps will be hosting their Community Relations Council Meeting, Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 am where Jessie will be presenting regarding the MiCareerQuest™ East event. Verona introduced Shane Loose, Job Corps Manager of Programs.

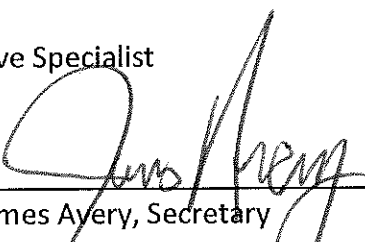
Howard Hipes inquired about the math insufficiencies that were discussed earlier in the meeting. Discussion followed.

Meeting dates for 2023 are attached.

VI. Adjournment

Seeing there was no other business, Jody Kerbyson called the meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Avery, Secretary  
Stephanie Polmanteer, Administrative Specialist

  
James Avery, Secretary

9-8-23  
Date