KANSAS POSTSECONDARY TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY

Technical Program and Curriculum Committee
MINUTES
October 9, 2025

The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority's Technical Program and Curriculum Committee met via Zoom on October 9, 2025. Proper notice was given according to the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Beene, Chair

Cindy Hoover, Vice Chair

Debra Mikulka Natalie Clark Ray Frederick, Jr. David Reist

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Tiffany Anderson

Charmine Chambers called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

2025-2026 Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority Goals

Charmine Chambers, Director for Workforce Development, presented background information regarding the Technical Education Authority's goals. The goals established for the 2024-2025 academic year either warrant carrying over or modification for the 2025-2026 academic year. The goals are:

- 1. Explore opportunities to diversify the funding base for Adult Education services to ensure expansion and sustainability of those services. Activities could include identification and active pursuit of potential funding sources such as grants, private partnerships, and government funding programs.
- 2. Identify and share best practices in reducing and/or eliminating the actual fees high school students participating in the Excel in CTE programs are assessed and ensure actual costs and potential subsidies are adequately communicated.
- 3. Improve collaboration and integration of programs between Community Colleges and Technical Colleges and Adult Education centers to streamline joint programs, educational pathways, and communication channels, ensuring seamless transitions for learners and between institutions.
- 4. Explore a method to report participation, promote awareness, and emphasize business & industry partnerships and the value of customized training occurring at the institutions using input from community colleges, technical colleges, and universities.

The committee discussed these goals and what needs to be recommended to the full Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) for adoption. The TEA staff will prepare these recommended goals for presentation to the full TEA at their next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Beene requested a motion regarding the minutes from the committee's September 7, 2025, meeting. Member Frederick moved to approve the minutes as presented, and Member Hoover seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Chair Beene announced that the next scheduled Program and Committee Meeting would be on November 6, 2025. He also reminded the group of the upcoming TEA meeting on October 23, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Beene adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.