

March 12, 2026 Program and Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mike Beene at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2026. The meeting was held virtually via zoom. Proper notice was given according to the law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Beene, Chair
 Cindy Hoover, Vice Chair
 David Reist
 Natalie Clark
 Debra Mikulka
 Ray Frederick
 Dr. Tiffany Anderson

Approval of Minutes

Member Reist moved to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2026, meeting. Member Mikulka seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consideration of Discussion Agenda

Act on Requests for New Certificate and/or Degree Programs from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges:

Charmine Chambers, Director for Workforce Development, presented a request from Manhattan Area Technology College: Computer Support Specialist. Detailed program information, rationale, demand, existing programs, and costs/funding for the requested program are included in the March 12, 2026, meeting packet materials.

Member Hoover moved to approve Manhattan Area Technical College's request for a Computer Support Specialists program to be added to the March 26, 2026, TEA consent agenda. Member Anderson seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Director Chambers then presented the request from Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology: Electric Power Distribution program, which was tabled during the February 5, 2026, meeting pending further discussion between WSU Tech and Pratt Community College.

Sheree Utash, Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology President, stated she has not met with Pratt Community College and asked for a 30-day extension so they can meet. Member Frederick moved to grant the two parties an additional 30 days to complete their conversations and to have the program included on the April 9, 2026, agenda. Member Reist seconded the motion, and it passed.

Act on Requests for New Promise Act Programs

Director Chambers presented background information regarding Manhattan Area Technical College: Computer Support Specialists request to be eligible for the Promise Act Scholarship. Member Hoover moved to approve; Member Mikulka seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Adjournment

Chair Beene adjourned the meeting at 3:19 p.m.