



CONNECTICUT TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CAREER SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CTECS CENTRAL OFFICE, HARTFORD, CT

Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2024

Attendees

Present	Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Chairperson; Mr. Jeff Auker, Board Member; Dr. Christine Benz, Board Member; Mr. Todd Berch, Proxy for Comm. Dante Bartolomeo; Mr. Lance Hall, Board Member; Dr. Karen Wosczyzna-Birch, Board Member; Mr. Jim Gildea, Board Member
Not Present	Ms. Laura Stefon, Proxy for Comm. Charlene M. Russell-Tucker; Mr. Paul Lavoie, Proxy for Comm. Daniel O'Keefe; Dr. Kelli-Marie Vallieres, Board Member

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
I. Call to Order	Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca called the meeting to order at 9:03am and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
II. Public Participation	There was no public participation.
III. Consideration of Minutes	<p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned Board member Berch moved, and Board member Benz seconded for the approval of the meeting minutes for March 20, 2024 board meeting.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Berch, Benz, Gildea, Hall, Wosczyzna-Birch</p> <p>Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Russell-Tucker, O'Keefe, Vallieres</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>

<p>IV. Committee Reports</p> <p>A. Outreach and Partnership</p> <p>B. Policy Review Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTECS Nutrition and School Meals report • CTECS 2024-2025 Healthy Food Certification (HFC) <p>C. Finance and Faculties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTECS Finance Report • CTECS Facilities Report 	<p>Meeting Cancelled.</p> <p>Director of Food Services, Mr. Paul Lewis and Supervisor of Food Services, Mr. Benjamin Slogesky presented the the CTECS Nutrition and School Meals Report to the Board.</p> <p>Director of Food Services, Mr. Paul Lewis and Supervisor of Food Services, Mr. Benjamin Slogesky presented the the CTECS 2024-2025 Healthy Food Certification (HFC) Report to the Board.</p> <p>Report presented under the Executive Director Report.</p> <p>Chief of Engineering, Donald Poulin and Chief of Engineering, Kevin McFarland present the CTECS Facilities Update to the Board.</p>
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<p>V. Action Items</p> <p>A. CTECS 2024-2025 Healthy Food Certification (HFC)</p>	<p>Director of Food Services, Mr. Paul Lewis and Supervisor of Food Services, Mr. Benjamin Slogesky presented the the CTECS 2024-2025 Healthy Food Certification (HFC) Report to the Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vote 1: Voted NO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the Connecticut Technical Education & Career System Board of Education certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups. <p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned Board member, Berch moved, and Board member, Wosczyzna-Birch seconded for the Board to vote “No” as presented.</p>
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Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Berch, Benz, Gildea, Hall, Wosczyrna-Birch

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Russell-Tucker, O'Keefe, Vallieres

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Vote 2: Voted YES:**

- The Connecticut Technical Education & Career System Board of Education will allow the sale to students of beverages not listed in Section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the beverages are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An "event" is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. The "school day" is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. "Location" means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the beverage sales.

Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned Board member, Berch moved, and Board member, Benz seconded for the Board to vote "Yes" as presented.

Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Berch, Benz, Gildea, Hall, Wosczyrna-Birch

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Russell-Tucker, O'Keefe, Vallieres

Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Report of the Superintendent

A. Superintendent Update

CTECS Interim Superintendent, Dr. Justin Lowe presented the Superintendent Update to the Board.

VII. Report of the Executive Director

A. Executive Director Update

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTECS Finance Report 	<p>CTECS Executive Director, Dr. Ellen Solek presented the Executive Director Update to the Board.</p> <p>CTECS Fiscal Administrative Manager, Ms. Kisha Richardson, presented the CTECS Finance Report to the Board.</p>
<p>VIII. Report of the Chair</p>	<p>Chairperson, Mrs. Patricia Keavney-Maruca presented the Report of the Board Chair.</p>
<p>IX. Adjourn</p>	<p>Chairperson Patricia Keavney-Maruca motioned Board member Berch moved, and Board member Wosczyzna-Birch seconded for the meeting to adjourn.</p> <p>Vote: In Favor: Keavney-Maruca, Auker, Berch, Benz, Gildea, Hall, Wosczyzna-Birch</p> <p>Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: Russell-Tucker, O'Keefe, Vallieres</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 10:29am</p>

Transcribed by: Ronke Stallings, Chief of Staff, CTECS