



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Manufacturing Committee

June 27, 2018

2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU) Board of Regents

61 Woodland Street

Hartford, CT 06105

The meeting was held on June 27, 2018. The meeting convened at 2:21 p.m. and the following members were present:

Present: James Lombella-co-chair, Asnuntuck Community College and  
Tunxis Community College  
Melissa Hickey-co-chair, Connecticut State Department of  
Education  
Margaret Van Vott, Executive Assistant to the President at  
Asnuntuck Community College and Tunxis Community College  
Richard Dupont, HCC Foundation  
Kathy Marioni, Connecticut Department of Labor  
Todd Berch, Connecticut Department of Labor  
Kelli-Marie Vallieres-Eastern Advanced Manufacturing  
Association  
Robert Michalik, Department of Economic and Community  
Christine Mahoney, East Granby Public Schools

Via Phone: Jamison Scott

Absent: Chris Foster, Asnuntuck Community College  
Robert Segal, Aerospace  
Emma Duraó, East Granby Public Schools  
Frank Gulluni, AMSC  
Chris DePentima, Pegasus Manufacturing and Chair of ACM  
Louis Manzione, University of Hartford  
Gillian Rondinone, East Hartford Public Schools  
Pamela Tonello, Capital Workforce Partners  
Susan Palisano, CCAT, Education & Workforce Development  
Cliff Thermer, Goodwin College  
Paul Murphy, Mallory Industries  
John Murphy, CTHSS  
John Dague, Enfield Public Schools  
Tracy Ariel, Tunxis Community College

**I. Call to Order:** Dr. Lombella called the meeting to order at 2:21 p.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2018:**

Minutes were so moved by Todd Berch and seconded by Rich Dupont.

**III. Best Practices and Program Updates:**

Careers in Manufacturing Introductory Program Chairwoman Dr. Mahoney gave update on the survey disseminated to superintendents pertaining to classes in manufacturing.

Best Practices Chairwoman Susan Palisano was not present to update the Committee. Committee discussed assigning a co-chair or assistant chair to this workgroup.

**IV. Update to the Catalog of Programs at Public and Independent Institutions**

The yearly letter will be sent to public and independent institutions to ask for updates pertaining to the catalog of programs.

**V. Other Topics**

Dr. Lombella presented an idea for a program that includes the Committee organizing yearly events across Connecticut to bring together educators, manufacturers, students and families. The Committee discussed the possibility of piggybacking on current manufacturing events. Todd Berch volunteered to create a document to offer some ideas for events.

Meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m. Todd Berch motioned and Rich Dupont seconded.