MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE
ALBEMARLE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,
CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOL BOARD,
AND CATEC CENTER BOARD

October 16, 2018

Mr. Juadiego Wade convened the CATEC Center Board and the Charlottesville City School Board. Dr. Kate Acuff convened the Albemarle County School Board.

CENTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Juadiego Wade, Mrs. Jennifer McKeever, Mr. Jonno Alcaro, Mrs. Leah Puryear, Mr. David Oberg, and Mr. Steve Koleszar.

CENTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALBEMARLE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Jonno Alcaro, Ms. Katrina Callsen, Dr. Kate Acuff, Mr. Steve Koleszar, and Mr. David Oberg.

ALBEMARLE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Jason Buyaki and Mr. Graham Paige.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Juadiego Wade, Ms. Jennifer McKeever, Ms. Amy Laufer, Ms. Lisa Larson-Torres, Mr. James Bryant, Dr. Sherry Kraft, and Mrs. Leah Puryear.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Daphne Keiser, Director; Mr. Doug Keaton, Assistant Principal; Mrs. Deborah Gannon, Adult Education Coordinator; Mrs. Shannon Tomlin, Career Center Specialist; Mr. Matt Richardson, Automotive Service Technology instructor; and Ms. Leslie Chisholm, Clerk.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Rosa Atkins, Charlottesville City Superintendent and Dr. Matt Haas, Albemarle County Superintendent.

AGENDA ITEM 18-60 AGENDA

Mr. Koleszar offered a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Laufer seconded it and the motion passed with Mr. Buyaki and Mr. Paige absent.

Dr. Keiser introduced the new CATEC instructors to the Joint Board:

- Matt Richardson, Automotive Service Technology instructor
- Carol Robbs, Culinary Arts instructor
- Augustine Arthur, Information and Engineering Technology instructor
- Kimberly Smyth, Veterinary Science instructor
- Christina Rizzo, Culinary Arts Teaching Assistant
- Max Congdon, Auto Tech Teaching Assistant
- Doug Keaton, Assistant Principal
AGENDA ITEM: 18-61 AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Mr. Matt Richardson shared his background with the Joint Board. He went on to explain his goals for the program and showed a video highlighting his students’ work. Mr. Tom Sojka, Service Director for Colonial Auto Center, reported on how CATEC meets the needs of the local employers; Colonial currently employs six CATEC graduates. He provided some employment statistics and articulated the value of the addition of the state inspection training to the Auto Tech program.

AGENDA ITEM: 18-62 CATEC FOUNDATION PRESENTATION

Dr. Jolene Hamm, CATEC Foundation president, explained the Foundation’s missions and objectives. She also reviewed the scholarships that the Foundation awards and the management of the Foundation’s funds. Mr. Wade and Dr. Atkins thanked them for their responsiveness to the needs of the community and, specifically, CATEC students.

AGENDA ITEM 18-63 COMMENTS

Director’s Comments:

Dr. Keiser highlighted the following items:
- Several CATEC programs participated in Kids’ College with PVCC this past summer
- CATEC is hosting the Apprenticeship Job Fair
- Wholefoods’ Community Event; it generated $5800.00 for the Culinary program
- Annual re-accreditation for the Building Trades and Electrical programs
- CATEC participated in the Albemarle High School Patriot Academy
- Award of $50,000 VDOE grant to fund the new PACE (plumbing, HVAC, carpentry, electrical, pre-apprenticeship) program
- Allstate and the Collision Repair Education Foundation selected CATEC as the recipient of a 2011 Kia Sorrento which will be auctioned and the proceeds will be invested in the program
- CATEC collaborated with the Girls Scouts of Virginia Skyline and the Center for Wind Energy (James Madison University) to host a Wind Energy Challenge
- CATEC students competed in the SkillsUSA State Fair; there were 10 top finishers
- Dual enrollment growth: 140 credits to 171 students with an anticipated 1958 credits that will be awarded at the end of the school year
- Interdisciplinary school-wide project for the 2018-19 academic year which will focus on developing a mobile maker space and related activities for elementary and middle school students
- CATEC’s enrollment is currently 327 which is approximately 100 more students that last year

Adult Ed Coordinator’s Comments:

Mrs. Gannon highlighted the following items:
- There are currently 302 students; 61 are in adult programs and 241 in construction-related apprenticeships. Those apprentices come from 60 different business sponsors for related
technical instruction.
- Apprenticeship Week will be an event for all local high school students to visit CATEC.
- Construction Advisory meeting will be hosted by CATEC
- UVA wants CATEC to run its CNA programs
- There are five CATEC students who, through NCCER in the Apprenticeship Program, have gotten credit for their first year

Assistant Principal’s Comments:

Mr. Keaton highlighted the following items:
- Attendance - 4% average absentee rate on a daily basis
  That statistic speaks to the faculty and school environment and engagement; the students evidently want to be here
- Discipline – on a daily basis, he sees 3 % of the student body for discipline issues

Mr. Koleszar emphasized, as the Albemarle Board is moving toward a center-based approach, the importance of getting the three high schools and Charlottesville High School on the same schedule. It would greatly facilitate programs at CATEC.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

Mr. Wade adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.