

**STATE BOARD OF CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION
SCISSORTAIL CONFERENCE ROOM
1500 WEST SEVENTH AVENUE
STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA**

JULY 16, 2026

The State Board of Career and Technology Education began its regular meeting at 9:07 a.m. Thursday, July 16, 2026, in the ScissorTail Conference Room at the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, 1500 West Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, Oklahoma, and the meeting was also streamed on YouTube. Notice of the meeting and the final agenda were posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act prior to 8:59 a.m. on July 15, 2026, in accordance with 25 O.S. § 311(9).

Members of the State Board of Career and Technology Education present and all appeared in person:

Mr. Brent Haken, state director, ex-officio nonvoting member
Mr. Michael Brown, Lawton
Mr. Peter Dillingham, Enid
Ms. Shaelynn Haning, Tulsa
Mr. Leonard McCullough, Tulsa
Mr. Rob Seeman, Morris

Members of the State Board of Career and Technology Education who were absent:

Mr. Lindel Fields, state superintendent of public instruction and chair of the board
Mr. Brian Bobek, Oklahoma City
Mr. Ryan Deatherage, Kingfisher
Mr. Randy Gilbert, Tecumseh

Attendees from the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education and other guests:

See Attachment A.

1.01 CALL TO ORDER

Director Haken called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Ms. Ashley Rink called the roll and confirmed that a quorum was present.

**1.02 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, SALUTE TO THE OKLAHOMA STATE FLAG
AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance, Salute to the Oklahoma State Flag and a moment of silence were led by Director Haken.

1.03 DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Haken provided updates regarding recent national CTE discussions, the Southern Regional Education Board conference, summer leadership activities, and planning for the upcoming school year. He also discussed the agency's legislative budget request and noted that the request is due November 1, allowing additional time for strategic planning.

1.04 MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 2026, REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Leonard McCullough and seconded by Ms. Shaelynn Haning to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

Voting Results:

Mr. Michael Brown, yes
Mr. Peter Dillingham, yes
Ms. Shaelynn Haning, yes
Mr. Leonard McCullough, yes
Mr. Rob Seeman, yes

Motion carried.

2 RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2.01 PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES (FCS) PROGRAMS AND FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA) – MS. HOLLY HANAN, STATE PROGRAM MANAGER; MS. BRITTANI PHILLIPS, OKLAHOMA STATE ADVISER AND 2026 NATIONAL FCCLA STATE ADVISER OF THE YEAR; WITH PARTICIPATION FROM FCCLA STATE OFFICERS, AS AVAILABLE.

Ms. Holly Hanan provided an overview of Family and Consumer Sciences programs, including program growth, student enrollment, career pathways, and industry certifications. Ms. Hanan reported 4,486 FCS programs and 46,781 students at the conclusion of the previous school year.

Ms. Brittani Phillips provided an update on Oklahoma FCCLA, including its 80th anniversary, record membership of more than 28,000 students, making Oklahoma the

largest FCCLA state association in the nation, and student accomplishments at the national level. Oklahoma FCCLA State President Ty Myers also addressed the Board regarding his experiences and leadership development through FCCLA.

The Board discussed the continued growth of FCS programs and FCCLA and recognized the accomplishments of Oklahoma students and advisers.

2.02 PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION OF A RECENT ARTICULATION AGREEMENT – MR. BRYAN HALL, CREDENTIALING SPECIALIST.

Mr. Bryan Hall provided an overview of a recent articulation agreement between CareerTech and Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology (OSUIT), including its purpose of providing college credit for qualifying CareerTech program completion and industry credential attainment toward an Associate of Applied Science and Applied Technology degree.

Mr. Hall explained the eligibility requirements, credit-awarding process, and documentation required for students. He reported that the agreement currently includes approximately 200 industry-recognized credentials and applies to qualifying CareerTech program completers statewide, with additional higher education institutions being explored for future participation.

Mr. Hall noted that the initiative is intended to strengthen transferability and connections between CareerTech and higher education and provide CareerTech students and former students with additional opportunities to pursue postsecondary credentials and degrees. The Board discussed the agreement and its potential to expand postsecondary opportunities for CareerTech students.

3 MANAGEMENT ACTION ITEMS

3.01 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MID-YEAR PERSONNEL REPORT AND RATIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS FROM JANUARY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2026 – MS. RAQUELLE PARLI, HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER.

Ms. Raquella Parli presented the Mid-Year Personnel Report and reviewed personnel actions, including promotions, transfers, hires, and retirements, occurring from January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026. The Board was given an opportunity to ask questions regarding the report.

Mr. Rob Seeman moved to approve the Mid-Year Personnel Report and ratify the personnel actions as presented. Mr. Michael Brown seconded the motion.

Voting Results:

Mr. Michael Brown, yes
Mr. Peter Dillingham, yes
Ms. Shaelynn Haning, yes
Mr. Leonard McCullough, yes
Mr. Rob Seeman, yes

Motion carried.

**3.02 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE TULSA TECH
RIVERSIDE CAMPUS AS THE LOCATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 19, 2026,
STATE BOARD MEETING – MR. BRENT HAKEN, STATE DIRECTOR OF
CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION.**

Director Haken recommended Tulsa Tech Riverside Campus as the location for the November 19, 2026, State Board meeting and confirmed the location was available.

Mr. Michael Brown moved to approve Tulsa Tech Riverside Campus as the location for the November 19, 2026, State Board meeting. Mr. Leonard McCullough seconded the motion.

Voting Results:

Mr. Rob Seeman, yes
Mr. Leonard McCullough, yes
Ms. Shaelynn Haning, yes
Mr. Peter Dillingham, yes
Mr. Michael Brown, yes

Motion carried.

**3.03 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT THE DRAFT
EMERGENCY RULE AND RULE IMPACT STATEMENT INCLUDING, BUT
NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:**

- a. OAC 780:20-3-2, CLARIFYING PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS;
- b. OAC 780:20-3-4, ALLOWING CERTAIN TEACHING ASSISTANTS, AS
DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO OBTAIN THE CAREERTECH
INDUSTRY SPECIALIST TEACHING CERTIFICATE; AND
- c. OAC 780:20-3-5, SPECIFYING OKLAHOMA-RECOGNIZED STUDENT
ORGANIZATIONS.

**THIS ACTION IS PURSUANT TO THE RULEMAKING PROCESS UNDER THE
OKLAHOMA ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, 75 O.S. §§ 250.1 ET
SEQ. AND 253. AUTHORITY FOR THIS RULEMAKING IS PROVIDED IN 70**

**O.S. §§ 14-103.1, 14-103.2, 14-104, 14-106, 14-108, 14-129, AND 14-131. –
MS. GINA HUBBARD, DIRECTOR OF STATEWIDE OUTREACH.**

Ms. Gina Hubbard presented the draft emergency rule and Rule Impact Statement. She explained that an emergency rule was necessary because the rule chapter was not approved during the legislative session and needed to be in place for the upcoming school year.

Ms. Hubbard reviewed the proposed changes, including clarification of program requirements, clarification of requirements for participation in department-approved student organizations, and provisions related to the CareerTech Industry Specialist Teaching Certificate. She also noted that the proposed language clarifies requirements applicable across programs and identifies department-approved student organizations.

Ms. Hubbard reviewed the anticipated rulemaking process following Board approval.

Mr. Michael Brown moved to adopt the draft emergency rule and Rule Impact Statement as presented. Ms. Shaelynn Haning seconded the motion.

Voting Results:

Mr. Michael Brown, yes
Mr. Peter Dillingham, yes
Ms. Shaelynn Haning, yes
Mr. Leonard McCullough, yes
Mr. Rob Seeman, yes

Motion carried.

**3.04 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT
OF MR. BRENT MEEKS TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER
– MR. BRENT HAKEN, STATE DIRECTOR OF CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY
EDUCATION.**

Director Haken presented the proposed appointment of Mr. Brent Meeks to the position of Chief Operating Officer and noted that the position requires Board approval. Director Haken provided an overview of the selection process, including the review of the position, recruitment, candidate selection, and interview process. The Board considered the proposed appointment and proceeded without entering executive session.

Mr. Peter Dillingham moved to approve the appointment of Mr. Brent Meeks as Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Michael Brown seconded the motion.

Voting Results:

Mr. Rob Seeman, yes
Mr. Leonard McCullough, yes

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Ms. Shaelynn Haning, yes
Mr. Peter Dillingham, yes
Mr. Michael Brown, yes

Motion carried.

5. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business requiring action.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the State Board of Career and Technology Education will be Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Oklahoma State Department of Education, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

A copy of the minutes is on file at the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.



Lindel Fields, State Superintendent
of Public Instruction and Chair of the Board
or
Brent Haken, State Director and ex-officio
nonvoting member of the CareerTech Board



Ashley Rink, Executive Assistant
to the CareerTech State Director and
Secretary of the CareerTech Board