Lynn Vocational Technical Institute

LVTI JOINT GENERAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
AND SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

January 14, 2015 5:30-7:30

Minutes

- The meeting began at 5:32. All were welcomed by Acting Principal Buontempo and everyone introduced themselves. A light luncheon prepared by Culinary was served.
- The minutes from the October 15, 2014 meeting were reviewed and accepted.
- Acting Principal Buontempo showed a Six minute video overviewing Title 1 Funds. There was discussion around reductions in Title 1 funding with future allocations to be determined by the Deputy Superintendent and that reductions might jeopardize summer camp for 2015. The committee was asked to remain optimistic and to think about possibilities for alternative spending for the next meeting. The Perkins funding and spending as of 1/6 was reviewed, members were reminded to address program needs at the next PAC meeting.
- ONGOING ACTIVITIES –

SHOP: Bonnie Carr gave an update on Co-Op. Discussed value of internship if properly done. Mr. Buontempo expressed optimism in building future partnerships with businesses to open opportunities for students. Pre-Apprenticeship/New England Laborer’s Union program (MassCCD). This program is a partnership between the MA Dept. of Transportation, The New England Laborers’ Union and core partners – AFL-CIO of MA, the Construction Industries of MA and the Building Trades Employers Association. The students who take place in this

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program will be exposed to the technical and personal skills required in becoming a union member. Precision Machining was awarded the Capital Equipment Grant for $101,712. This equipment will help train students and adults in the community for good paying jobs. Cisco System program opportunity for LVTI was discussed. OSHA building status is ongoing between ISD and LVTI.

**ACADEMICS:** Scholarships- defining them and their requirements. Recipients of the POSSE Scholarships. Life Science grant awarded ($100,000). MCAS-DDM’s (Vocational)/Saturday School, Access testing. All school read theme being considered is Community service based and might include actual community service over the summer. The committee was asked for suggestions for books that the students might enjoy on this topic.

**OTHER:** Grade 8 tours went smoothly. A recommendation was made to ask middle schools to do an all call to let parents know about Open House. Mr. McCuish and the Skills USA raised $8,500 for the “No Hunger Games” along with about 400 care packages for the Lynn Homeless Shelter. The money was donated to Greater Boston Food Bank. The Carpentry students along with G.E. installed new windows in the Camp Fire Building. Ms. Carr discussed the 3rd Annual Employers Career Fair being moved from February to April due to more conducive weather. Students will be trained to interview, and prepare resumes to match job needs with employers. Student Handbook revision suggestions and concerns over cost and students using them. A survey was suggested to order for those who are actually using them. Field House trophy case remodel.

**STAFF CHANGES** – McGovern/Sanchez (MS open position), Beauvier/Morrison (SAC) Christina Dixon (ECE- pending Supt. Approval).

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.