

Minutes  
Career and Technical Education  
Technical Skills committee Meeting  
March 13, 2008  
Douglas High School  
1670 Highway 88, Minden

**Present were:**

David Goodwin, Doris Hoskins, Tricia Wentz, Carol Lark, Dave Pyle, and Nancy Bryant

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by David Goodwin at 6:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Goodwin.

A motion was made by Doris Hoskins, seconded by David Pyle, to approve the agenda.

**2. Review of Minutes from January 10, 2008**

A motion was made by Doris Hoskins, seconded by David Pyle, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

**3. Review of Non-traditional information**

Tricia Wentz shared a list of classes which fall under non traditional careers. These are careers where one gender traditionally makes up less than 25% of those employed in that field. The statistics show that Douglas County is slightly above the state average in the number of non traditional students in these classes.

**4. Update on Critical Content:**

Tricia Wentz shared that the CTE teachers are in the process of linking academic standards in reading, math, and science with their individual content standards. A CD was shown of Cade Baligad teaching an Auto Mechanics class which integrated science, math, and language arts.

## **5. Overview of 2008-09 Grant Funding**

This year we were able to receive not only Perkins Funding but some additional competitive grants. We have been informed that the additional grant funding may not be available this year. Tricia Wentz shared that last year's Perkins Grant was based on a five year plan that was developed by this committee last year. This plan has the grant requests falling under the umbrella of student leadership. This will include funding requests for travel to competitions complemented with equipment and computers needed to prepare students for competition, as well as, what is needed to compete. With the additional competitive funding this year we have been able to move more quickly towards the realization of our 5 year plan. After a discussion it was decided to include money to continue and expand our program of brining 9<sup>th</sup> graders to DHS for after school exploration classes in various classes to expose students to CTE offerings.

Tricia Wentz also shared that DHS is looking at expanding their Electronics Class which covers robotics. The teacher will begin by writing critical content. From there Tricia, the teacher, and Lyn Gorrindo will explore how this class can be articulated with community classes which would open up this class for possible funding, as well as, expansion of possible further academic credit.

## **6. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Doris Hoskins, seconded by David Pyle, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed, meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.