
Wisconsin Apprenticeship Advisory Council

Wednesday, November 12, 2025
10:00am-1:00pm

Join In-Person:

Dane County Job Center-Ballroom
1819 Aberg Ave
Madison, WI 53704

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Agenda

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Record Attendees**
3. **Review Roster**
4. **Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**
5. **Updates for the Advisory Council (*all items tentative*):**
 - a. Access and Outreach Subcommittee Update: Mental Health Training for Apprentices
 - b. 2028 WI Apprenticeship Conference
 - c. 2026 National Apprenticeship Week
6. **Wisconsin Technical College Update**
7. **Youth Apprenticeship Update**
8. **Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards Quality Assurance Division**
9. **Grant Updates**
10. **Other topics from the Director or Council Members**
11. **Public Comment** (limited to agenda items)
12. **Advisory Council 2026 Meeting Dates**
13. **Adjourn**

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WI Apprenticeship Advisory Council

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

10:00am-12:00pm

WI Dept of Workforce Development

201 E. Washington Ave, Conference Room B406

Madison, WI 53703

In-Person and/or Virtual: Both

1. Call to Order

Who: Henry Hurt

Time: 10:03 a.m.

2. Record Attendees

Member	Organization	Present/Absent
Henry Hurt (Co-Chair)	Hurt Electric, Inc	x
Corey Gall (Co-Chair)	WI Pipe Trades Assoc	excused
Shanna Beanan	Harley-Davidson Motor Co	x
Michael Bink	UAW Local 469	x
Lindsay Blumer	WRTP/Big Step	x
Daniel Bukiewicz	Milw Building & Construction Trades Council	x
Jessie Cannizzaro	Milestone Plumbing, Inc	x
Cheyenne Foster	ABC of WI Inc	x
Rob Giese	NCSRCC	x
Shirron Jude	Urban League of Milwaukee	x
Randy Krouse	City of Milwaukee-DPS/Forestry Services	x
Seth Lentz	Workforce Dev Board of South Central WI	x
Shaun McHugh	Operating Engineers Local 139	x
Jacob Mihm	WI Dept of Public Instruction	x
Hollie O'Neill	IBEW Local 2150-We Energies	x
Tim Reiter	United Steel Workers	absent
Chrystal Seeley Schreck	WI Technical College System	x
Chuck Spoehr	Miron Construction Co Inc	x
Daniel Webster	Walbec Group	x
Bridgett Willey	UW Health	Absent
Guests		
Dave Natzke	Sprinkler fitters local #669	
Elizabeth Roddy	ABC Wisconsin	

Corey Neuhauser	Sprinkler fitters local #669	
Joe Gorges	EGI Mechanical	
Christina Jungwirth	NWTC	
John Keckhaver	BAS	
Kelly Tourdot	ABC Wisconsin	
Mandy Mayek	WTCS	
Darrell Ferguson	BAS	
Almon Gill	BAS	
Jesse Gitter	BAS	
Ryan Herber	BAS	
Lynn O'Shasky	BAS	
Chuck Olsen	BAS	
Tim Roark	BAS	
Brandon Peterson	BAS	
Katie Roberts	WTCS	
Mike Wagner	NECA/IBEW JATC	
Brenda Egli	IBEW Local 159	

3. Review Roster

Director Polk acknowledged Randy Krouse's upcoming retirement and thanked him for his contributions to Wisconsin apprenticeship.

Director Polk also acknowledged Jim Cook's retirement and thanked him for his contributions to Wisconsin apprenticeship.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve: Rob Giese

Second: Shawn McHugh

Motion Passed

5. Updates for the Advisory Council

a. Revised Bylaws

- Reviewed approved revisions.
- Reviewed subcommittee assignments. Director Polk emphasized the importance of each committee electing a chair as the first step.
- The council also reviewed current subcommittee assignments.

b. Access and Outreach Subcommittee Update – Mental Health Training for Apprentices

Jesse Cannizzaro provided a meeting summary and advised that the subcommittee will hold a follow-up meeting before presenting a full briefing to the council.

c. Grant Updates

Director Polk provided updates for existing grants: Community Projects, SAEF 2, and SAEF 3. He also advised

the council that the SAEF 3 competitive grant application was not awarded. The council discussed which positions and initiatives are supported through competitive grants versus state-level funding.

d. Office of Apprenticeship Circular 2025-03

Director Polk discussed the recent DOL circular effective immediately regarding non-enforcement of AA/EEO requirements. He explained the potential impacts and confirmed that no changes have been made to Wisconsin's state law for AA/EEO in apprenticeship programs at this time.

e. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 29 CFR Parts 29 and 30

Director Polk informed the council about proposed new federal apprenticeship rules from the DOL, reviewed the open comment period, and discussed potential impacts if implemented as written.

6. Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Update

Chrystal Seeley Schreck provided updates on enrollment and new programs and noted that the Tools of the Trade Scholarship application period will open soon.

7. Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Update

John Keckhaver provided updates on YA grants, potential statutory and regulatory changes, and the upcoming YA program review process.

8. BAS Quality Assurance Division Update

Andrew Kasper introduced new team member Tim Roark.

Jesse Gitter provided an update on Certified Pre-Apprenticeship (CPA) programming, including totals for programs, completers, completed reviews, and new CPA program additions.

The council requested that future updates include data on how many completers transition into Registered Apprenticeship (RA) programs.

9. Other Topics from the Director or Council Members

No additional topics were discussed.

10. Public Comment (Limited to Agenda Items)

No public comments were received.

11. Adjournment

Motion: Rob Giese

Second: Seth Lentz

Time: 11:33 a.m.