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Masonry State Apprenticeship Advisory Committee

Agenda

Tuesday, September 22, 2026
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Attend Virtually: [Join the meeting now](#)

Teams Meeting ID: 217 999 183 225 0 | Passcode: ei3Fu2UG

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Note: Public comment will occur only when noted, after committee discussion and prior to committee action.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Record Attendees
3. Review Roster
4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
5. Specific Committee Items for Discussion (*Public Comment*)
 - a. Update on PCC apprenticeship
 - b. Mental Health Training for Apprentices (carryover from spring)
6. Director's Call Discussion
7. WTCS Update
 - a. WIDS Curriculum 5 year review
8. Other Discussion Items
9. Review Program Participants
10. Set Next Meeting Date/Time
11. Adjourn



State Apprenticeship Advisory Committee Masonry

Tuesday, April 9 2026

10:00am – 12:00pm

In-Person and/or Virtual: Virtual

Check if Present	Members	Organization/Employer
☒	Bonlender, Bill	BAC District Council of WI
☒	Engelke, Kilah	OPCMIA Local 599 Area 558
☐	Gray, Todd	OPCMIA Local 599
☒	Higgins, Todd	Miron Construction
☒	Hyatt, Mike	BAC District Council of WI
☒	Vick, Jim	BAC District Council of WI
☐	Zignego, Tony	Zignego Co
☐	Young, Natalie	Walsh Masonry, Inc.- Excused
☒	Cheyenne Foster	ABC
Check if Present	Consultants & Guests	Organization/Employer
☒	Polk, David	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Pusch, Liz	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Abbott, Nick	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Brandon Peterson	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Raquel Nowak	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Joe Knight	Bureau of Apprenticeship
☒	Hetzel, Jim	Hetzel Tile & Marble
☒	Mark Kessenich	AGC of Greater Milwaukee
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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Sept 9 2025

10:00am – 12:00pm

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1. Call Meeting to Order

- Note Who: Liz Pusch
- Note Time: 10:02

2. Introductions and Record Attendees (in table above)

3. Review Roster

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

- Note any Changes: NA
- Motioned to Approve made by: Kilah Engelke
- Motion Seconded by: Bill Bonlender
- Motion approved

5. Specific Committee Items for Discussion (Public Comment)

a. NextGen Accuplacer testing alternative language availability (follow-up from fall 2025)

- i. Nick Abbott provided update to committee on response from NextGen – Spanish language test version is not available and interpreters are not allowed during testing.

b. Potential New "Restoration" Registered Apprenticeship Program

- i. Bill Bonlender provided an overview Pointer,Cleaner,Caulker (PCC)of a new potential program that a local committee in his area (including statewide contractors) would like to adopt.
- ii. Committee members expressed support for the programming to be available state wide.
- iii. A combination of tech colleges and training centers will offer related instruction based on regionality.
- iv. Committee discussed differences between bricklaying apprenticeship & PCC specialization.
- v. DD Pusch outlined due diligence requirements prior to committee approval of the program. Suggested WTCS review this proposed occupation as well.
 - 1. Motion made to adopt new (PCC) program pending curriculum feedback from WTCS. Approval will move forward if there are no major concerns, committee will meet again to confer if additional discussions are needed. BAS will send update to committee as things progress.

Made Motion - Kilah Engelke

Seconded - Mike Hyatt

Motion Passed

c. Mental Health Training for Apprentices

- i. Director Polk provided an overview of current discussions by council regarding mental health training. He polled the committee for feedback and information as to what their current apprentices receive training for.
 - 1. Mike Hyatt - Bricklayers have training via their EAP for 1st-4th years knowing that the program is available via their international. Toll free hot

line available to all members and family. They also have training called "mentorship matters" that includes training on noticing signs of mental health struggles and other items. (part of 8 hour training)

2. Kilah Engelke – OSHA 30 or OSHA 10 can have a mental health add on that is provided to members that is a one sheet info document, no formal offerings available beyond that.
3. Bill Bonlender provided an example from their union international org that came and provided training on mental health and substance abuse.
4. The committee expressed interest in adopting this type of training should the council decide to move forward.

6. Questions from the Director's Call

- The Director's Call recording is available on the State Committee website. Committee had no follow-up questions from the call.

7. Other

- a. WIDS curriculum 5 yr review
 - i. Bricklayers is due for 2027, an overview will be provided at the fall 26 state meeting.
- b. Kilah Engelke inquired regarding qualifications of apprentices who met different minimum entry requirements and how that would work across jurisdictions of different JACs in the state. DD Pusch advised that an apprentice under contract in WI is considered an apprentice across the state.

8. Review program participants – No Questions

9. Set Next Meeting Date/Time

- a. Tuesday September 22 at 10am.

10. Adjourn

- Note Time: 10:47am
- Motion to Adjourn made by: Kilah Engelke
- Motion Seconded by: Bill Bonelander
- Motion approved



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	Total	Minority		Females		Union		Non-Union		Total	Union		Non-Union	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		#	%	#	%
1	2	3	3a	4	4a	5	5a	6	6a	7	8	8a	9	9a
Report Total	350	89	25.4	13	3.7	301	86.0	49	14.0	94	75	79.8	19	20.2
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	184	37	20.1	8	4.3	171	92.9	13	7.1	45	38	84.4	7	15.6
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	84	19	22.6	3	3.6	80	95.2	4	4.8	38	35	92.1	3	7.9
Cement Mason (Heavy Highway) (47-2051.00)	28	16	57.1	2	7.1	28	100.0	0	0	10	10	100.0	0	0
Concrete Finisher (47-2051.00)	32	10	31.3	0	0	0	0	32	100.0	11	0	0	11	100.0
Tile Setter (47-2044.00)	22	7	31.8	0	0	22	100.0	0	0	8	8	100.0	0	0

State Committee Report by Sponsor & Occupation



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ABC of Wisconsin (All)	42	12	28.6	0	0	0	0	42	100.0	15	0	0	15	100.0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	10	2	20.0	0	0	0	0	10	100.0	5	0	0	5	100.0
Concrete Finisher (47-2051.00)	32	10	31.3	0	0	0	0	32	100.0	11	0	0	11	100.0
La Crosse Area Masonry JAC	1	0	0	0	0	1	100.0	0	0	1	1	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	1	0	0	0	0	1	100.0	0	0	1	1	100.0	0	0
Madison Area Bricklaying JAC	48	9	18.8	2	4.2	48	100.0	0	0	10	10	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	48	9	18.8	2	4.2	48	100.0	0	0	10	10	100.0	0	0
Madison Area Cement Masonry JAC	30	5	16.7	3	10.0	30	100.0	0	0	13	13	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	25	4	16.0	1	4.0	25	100.0	0	0	9	9	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (Heavy Highway) (47-2051.00)	5	1	20.0	2	40.0	5	100.0	0	0	5	5	100.0	0	0
Milwaukee Area Bricklaying JAC	40	17	42.5	2	5.0	40	100.0	0	0	14	14	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	40	17	42.5	2	5.0	40	100.0	0	0	14	14	100.0	0	0
Milwaukee Area Cement Masonry JAC	48	24	50.0	1	2.1	48	100.0	0	0	19	19	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	28	10	35.7	1	3.6	28	100.0	0	0	15	15	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (Heavy Highway) (47-2051.00)	20	14	70.0	0	0	20	100.0	0	0	4	4	100.0	0	0
Milwaukee Area Tile Setters JAC	16	5	31.3	0	0	16	100.0	0	0	6	6	100.0	0	0
Tile Setter (47-2044.00)	16	5	31.3	0	0	16	100.0	0	0	6	6	100.0	0	0

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Report Total	350	89	25.4	13	3.7	301	86.0	49	14.0	94	75	79.8	19	20.2
Northeast WI Area Masonry JAC	60	7	11.7	2	3.3	53	88.3	7	11.7	22	18	81.8	4	18.2
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	39	5	12.8	1	2.6	36	92.3	3	7.7	15	13	86.7	2	13.3
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	15	0	0	1	6.7	11	73.3	4	26.7	10	7	70.0	3	30.0
Tile Setter (47-2044.00)	6	2	33.3	0	0	6	100.0	0	0	2	2	100.0	0	0
Tri-County Area Trowel Trades JAC	14	6	42.9	1	7.1	14	100.0	0	0	10	10	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	7	1	14.3	1	14.3	7	100.0	0	0	5	5	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	6	4	66.7	0	0	6	100.0	0	0	5	5	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (Heavy Highway) (47-2051.00)	1	1	100.0	0	0	1	100.0	0	0	1	1	100.0	0	0
Western WI Masonry JAC	32	3	9.4	2	6.3	32	100.0	0	0	10	10	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	21	2	9.5	2	9.5	21	100.0	0	0	8	8	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	9	1	11.1	0	0	9	100.0	0	0	3	3	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (Heavy Highway) (47-2051.00)	2	0	0	0	0	2	100.0	0	0	2	2	100.0	0	0
WI River Valley Area Masonry JAC	20	1	5.0	0	0	20	100.0	0	0	6	6	100.0	0	0
Bricklayer (47-2021.00)	19	1	5.3	0	0	19	100.0	0	0	6	6	100.0	0	0
Cement Mason (47-2051.00)	1	0	0	0	0	1	100.0	0	0	1	1	100.0	0	0

Historical Report by Year

Report Period: 2026* and Previous -10 Years

*Current year is YTD data as of Run Date: 08/24/2026		
Run Date: 08/24/2026		
State Masonry Committee		
Sponsored Trade Group(s): Construction		
Year	Active Apprentices	Active Employers
2016	146	76
2017	175	79
2018	183	77
2019	187	75
2020	184	73
2021	173	71
2022	168	71
2023	184	75
2024	233	75
2025	242	82
2026	245	82

