



Joint Tacoma Public Schools and Bates Technical College Meeting Meeting Minutes

Bates Technical College, Central Mohler Campus
Advanced Technology Building
2320 S. 19th Street, Tacoma, WA 98405
Friday, April 21, 2017 07:30 AM

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Bates Technical College Board of Trustees Chair, Karen Seinfeld invited all attendees to introduce themselves. Attendees included:

Bates Technical College Board of Trustees: Karen Seinfeld, Christina Blocker, Lillian Hunter, Cathy Pearsall-Stipek

Bates Technical College Staff: Dr. Ron Langrell, Al Griswold, Lin Zhou, Brandon Rogers, Daniel Hughes, Becky Welch

Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors: Catherine Ushka, Debbie Winskill, Scott Heinze

Tacoma Public Schools Staff: Dr. Joshua Garcia, John Page, Angie Neville, Tonya Beattie

2. THE MEDICAL MILE AND THE MEDICAL ARTS INITIATIVES

Bates Technical College President, Dr. Ron Langrell described the new facility being planned which is titled Medical Mile Health Science Center. The facility will be located on the downtown Tacoma campus. The goal of the center is to provide a state-of-the-art facility in the heart of Tacoma. The college anticipates the building will serve as a training and education hub for health-related learning and technology. There are several major health care facilities and hospitals near the campus as well as an increasing demand for workers in allied health.

Dr. Langrell and Dr. Garcia discussed medical arts at both institutions and how they might be designed to compliment each other, be collaborative, and have open access. It was agreed that there are policy discussions that need to happen amongst the parties.

3. JOINT BTC/TPS YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

The Youth Apprenticeship Program has been extremely successful, with 258 registered apprenticeships in the state. The goal is to continue growing the program and dispelling misconceptions about the program.

4. ONGOING OUTREACH / RECRUITMENT OF TPS GRADUATES

The Boards discussed the many benefits received by the community, families and students when partnerships such as Bates and Tacoma Public Schools are formed and supported. The organizations will continue to work together to connect TPS students with the multitude of post-secondary education opportunities and identify/remove barriers for students.

5. AROUND THE TABLE

Participants expressed their appreciation for the collaborative spirit shown and the desire to keep making improvements and looking ahead at the future of education for our communities and families.

6. ADJOURN

Bates Trustee Chair Karen Seinfeld moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30am.

Minutes approved by the Board on: _____

Signed by: _____
Superintendent Carla Santorno

By: _____
Board President, Catherine Ushka