Atlantic Technical College & Technical High School SAC Minutes – January 28, 2025

Quorum present.

Attendance:

<u>Members:</u> Paola Belidor, Sofia De Los Santos, Philippe Jean-Bart, Carol Lindgren, Gerald Lopez, Andrea Nguyen, Neeta Rancourt, Kimberly Rosas-Gonzalez, Bevlyn Sagon, Rochelle Williams, Amir Watynski, Nicole Willis <u>Attendees:</u> Allen Bien-Aime, Brian Bush, Cathy Castelli, Dr. Tammy Clabo, Hallema Collier, Debbie Evangelista, Mason Jackson, Vicky LaPorte, Simeka Love, Rhonda Matos, Rebecca Miller, Jim Payne, Miladys Puddie, Felicia Starke, Logan Whitaker

Call to Order:

A meeting of the <u>Atlantic Technical College & Technical High School Advisory</u> Council was held in <u>Room 122 of Atlantic Technical College on January 28, 2025</u>. Chair <u>Cathy Castelli</u> called the meeting to order at <u>8:08 AM</u>. <u>Nicole Willis</u> will record minutes for this meeting. **Quorum present**

Minutes:

<u>Sofia De Los Santos</u> motioned to approve the minutes of <u>December 3, 2024</u>, with no corrections. <u>Mason Jackson</u> seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda:

- 1. Welcome and Introductions Cathy Castelli
- 2. Approval of Minutes See above.
- 3. SAC Funds Balance Cathy Castelli The current balance is \$4438.06.
 - a. Zoo Miami (\$800.00)- Sofia De Los Santos motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Philippe Jean-Bart. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Parchment Paper for Awards (\$310.90)- Sofia De Los Santos motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Rochelle Williams. The motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Books for English (\$865.50)- Gerald Lopez motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Rochelle Williams. The motion passed unanimously.
 - d. Bus Passes for TIE Program (\$200.00)- Sofia De Los Santos motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Philippe Jean-Bart. The motion passed unanimously.
 - e. A+ Funds for ASHE security (\$388.72) Philippe Jean-Bart motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Rochelle Williams. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Directors Update Neeta Rancourt New programs will open in Fall 2025 at the Arthur Ashe, Jr. Campus. The COE team report returned with zero findings. ATC has been reaffirmed for six years. ATC received notification from the state that workforce funds will be received. About \$500, 000 will be used to support programs at ATC. Funds will be used to create a new Applied IT pathways and also in partnership with Dave Thomas Education Center for a Patient Care Assistant program. Sheridan Technical College will use its portion of state funding to expand the automotive program to include Hallandale High School. Ms. Rancourt is a member of the Workforce Funding Committee. Broward County funding looks very promising. More details to come.
- 5. SAF Update Tammy Triolo (Absent No report at this time)
- SIP Update Cathy Castelli Provided a review of the SIP goals and the latest progress monitoring exam
 results. ATC Magnet students are on the way to meeting each goal. Discussion included strategies on
 increasing FAST PM 3 scores.

7. Student Comments

- a. Sofia De Los Santos A Powderpuff tournament was held on January 9, 2025. The Multicultural Expowas held on December 18, 2025. The Magnet Open House and Club Rush was also held. Both events were very successful.
- b. Paola Belidor (Allen Bien-Aime) The Machining students participated in a field trip to Turbine Controls. Past students were invited to speak to the current class and fundraisers are scheduled for February.
- c. Kimberly Rosas-Gonzalez/Andrea Nguyen Web Development The students are learning WordPress and other plugins. Digital Marketing certifications were earned on HubSpot. Business Professionals of America (BPA) Competed in regional competitions. The winners are pending. Junior Achievement Students continue to develop their business.
- d. Gerald Lopez Mental Health Technician Students are learning how to take vital signs. Practical Nursing students earned 100% pass rate for the CPR training.

8. Assistant Director Reports

- a. Vicky LaPorte Provided review of testing data. High pass rates received for Biology (95%), Geometry(86%), History (97%), and Civics. Magnet HS received the Lighthouse Award (highest award for Blue Ribbons schools). Ms. Collier (Magnet Coordinator) will receive the Magnet Schools of America award for ATC, ATC is the first high school to receive the Ducks Environmental Certification and students received 100% passing rate. Over 350 magnet applications received with over 170 students qualified, overview of additional events coordinated for student success. The Senior Exhibition is scheduled for February 4, 2025.
- b. Brian Bush Health Science 10 CDE (Career Dual Enrolled) have entered second round of HOSA competition, 100% pass rate for med asst and pharmacy tech cert tests, Broward Health Central Sterile Tech (employee program) is high successful with a 100% pass rate.
- c. Dr. Tammy Clabo (Tech Trades, Academic Studies & ESOL) The tech programs are focused on removing barriers for students. The night HVAC and Electricity programs are now shorter, per industry request. The Pre-College department is focused on transitioning the AGE and ESOL students into the technical programs.
- d. Brian Norris (Brian Bush) (Culinary, Business and IT) The Culinary Department continues to host advisory meetings and monthly student/business summits. Business Department BPA conference will compete in the state leadership conference in February. The Office of Student Affairs (OOSA) Department is finding creative ways to market ATC and all programs. They have added a focus on elementary and middle school students. Mentioned that Xello is the new career website for BCPS. Transition into Employment Provided an overview of events.
- e. Jean Vilus (Jim Payne) The Adult General Education department (AGE) has secured a \$5000 grant to assist in financial literacy. The City of Fort Lauderdale has chosen ATC Arthur Ashe, Jr. Campus to be a new bus route stop, the Patient Care Assistant program continues to work with the Urban League for evening training. The new cohort will begin mid-February. The Practical Nursing Career Day is being held this week along with the pinning ceremony.
- 9. Business & Economic Development *Nicole Willis* Reported that 'Al continues to be a topic of conversation in the business community. The Career Center sponsored several events for students and staff. Spring Career Fair 2025: The Future in Your Hands will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, from 9:00 AM to Noon on the main campus. Registration is open now.
- 10. Best Practices in Inclusive Education *Debbie Evangelista* Provided an overview of BPIE, a self- assessment tool focused on improving the school experience for students with disabilities. A variety of stakeholders are requested to provide feedback, and the results and improvement plan are added to the school's improvement report.
- 11. Business Highlight Lindgren Pitman (Carol Lindgren) The family-owned company, celebrating 50 years in business, manufactures premium equipment and machines for offshore and worldwide fishermen. The company has hired students from the Machining program.
- 12. SESIR Update Brian Bush- No incidents reported since the last SAC meeting.

- 13. Announcement No announcements
- 14. Adjournment- <u>Philippe Jean-Bart</u> motioned to adjourn the meeting at <u>9:22 AM</u>. The motion was seconded by <u>Sofia De Los Santos</u>. The motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2025, in Room 122 of Atlantic Technical College, Main Campus.

Submitted by,
Nicole Willis, Secretary
Approval Date:



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Date: 3/4/2025

Name: Paola Belidor

Programs: Machining Technologies

Topic: Quick Updates

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Conclusion to the Valentine's fundraiser. We ended up making \$140 and donated it all to SOS.
- All Seniors passed the Haas CNC Mill certification exam

Topic: Field Trip-Baker Hill

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- On February 27, All the machining students and adults visited the Company Baker Hill, located in Coral Springs
- They make parts for aircraft and aerospace
- Many of the Machining students that graduated work at this company. We met 4 of the many ATC students

Topic: Machining Heliping others

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

 Machining students helps past Student, Mariana (Class of 2020), by machining a part for her college project





Date: 2/18/2025

Name: Andrea Nguyen and Kimberly Rosas-Gonzalez

Programs: Web Development

Topic: Web Development

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Seniors earned 2nd place on Senior Expo for Best Demonstration, with our display consisting of two boards and an activity we created to demonstrate our Adobe Photoshop skills.
- This consisted of a contest where one person from the audience randomly selects a prompt and competes against a web developer. With assistance from another web developer, the judges will then decide who'll win. If the audience member won, they got a prize!
- Now they're earning marketing certifications on HubSpot and Google Analytics, including Social Media
 Marketing, Content Making, and Instagram Marketing.

Topic: BPA

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Completed the sale for Suckers for Love.
- Students have gone on a trip on February 20th to Orlando to compete in states.

Topic: JA Fellows

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

• Groups have begun selling their products during high school lunch, hopefully to create enough revenue for their company.





Date: 3/4/2025

Name: Gerald Lopez

Programs: Medical Assistant, Pharmacy Technician, PN

Topic: Medical Assisting

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Introduction to lab work other than vital signs.
- Finished core and current on anatomy chapters.

Topic: Pharmacy

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

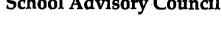
- Winning Senior Expo
- Currently learning medical math
- Chapters from pharmacy book as well

Topic: Practical Nursing

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Practical Nursing students are registered for the NCLEX-PN exam.
- One student is licensed.
- Remaining 19 students will be testing by March 15th, 2025.







Assistant Director Updates

Date: March 4, 2025

Assistant Director: Vicky LaPorte

Programs: High School

Topic: Tech Program/Academic Connections

- Geometry: Ms. Chriswell's class connected a lesson on Pythagorean Theorem using similar right triangles and trigonometric ratios to solve carpentry related problems. They used trigonometry to calculate precise angles and lengths of cuts when dealing with angled surfaces or complex joinery, by utilizing the relationships between sides of right triangle to determine the necessary measurement based on the known angles and distances. Both academic standards and CTE curriculum frameworks were taught.
- The Science Department created a chart to determine science courses that correlate to each of the technical programs high school students enter. The Guidance Department will use this information to schedule students into the appropriate courses to connect to and enhance their technical experience.

Topic: Awards and Achievements

- Certificate of Excellence for Outstanding Attendance awarded by Broward County Public Schools, Student Services Initiatives.
- Our amazing ATC students swept the African American Research Library and Cultural Center Black History Month Essay Contest. There were many participants, but ATC excelled taking 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places!
- On February 7th, students who earned a "Show Your Tech Tiger Pride" tags were treated to an early lunch and ice cream.

Topic: High School Happenings

- On January 27th, two World History classes attended the Holocaust exhibit hosted by the City of Coconut Creek. The centerpiece of this exhibit was a replica of a cattle car which the students entered and experienced a 25-minute audio and video presentations. There was also a mini museum with artifacts to continue the students' learning experience.
- Thank you to Mayor Welch for welcoming our students to the Commission Chambers for the first ATC Teen Political Forum Club event on February 20th. The students spoke with Mayor Welch about local government, State Representative Christine Hunschofsky about State government, School Board Member Nora Rupert about the job of a school board member, Chief Hofer spoke with them about careers in law enforcement, and Chief Blizzard from the fire department spoke about careers in fire rescue and being a first responder. Following the presentations and Q & A, Mr. Kavanagh assisted the students in running a mock Commission meeting.
- To celebrate Black History Month, the students created a Black History Museum as well as an excellent program highlighting poetry and dance.
- On February 26th, the School Advisory Forum hosted a family event. District representative, Regina Turner, a Life Skills and Wellness Specialist gave a presentation on mindfulness and Joanne Wallace, from the department of Equity, Diversity, and School Climate presented an informative program on bullying. Following the presentations, families were invited to paint and build butterfly suncatchers and enjoy butterfly and flower cookies.

Topic: In the Classroom

- Students in Ms. Litthcut's 11th grade English classes created newspapers as a summative assessment to the story "Desperate Trek Across America"
- Students in Ms. Dietz's 12th grade English classes created graphic organizers as a group analyzing the figurative language and tone in Hamlet's soliloquy #1.





Date: 03/04/2025

Name: Dr. Tammy Clabo

Programs: Tech Trades, Academic Studies & ESOL

Topic: Tech Trades

Highlights

- SkillsUSA was a success. We have several students attending the state competition in Jacksonville.
- Continue to work on retention and removing barriers for student success

Topic: Academic Studies

Highlights

• Focus on retention and transitions to CTE

Topic:

Highlights

- Retention of students and attendance barriers
- Focus- Transitioning students to Academic Studies and CTE programs.



Atlantic Technical College & Technical High School

School Advisory Council





Date: March 4, 2025

Assistant Director: Jean Vilus/Jim Payne

Programs: ABE/GED/ESOL/PCA/PN

Topic: ABE/GED/ESOL

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- We partnered with Florida Blue to conduct a health insurance drive, resulting in 93 students enrolling in medical insurance, 21 students enrolling in dental insurance.
- We currently do not have a waitlist. Enrollment remains ongoing for prospective students.
- Transportation support initiative: We participated in the launch of the Laudergo! Free transportation program. This service allows students to call for free transportation to and from school, improving accessibility and reducing barriers to education.

Topic: PCA (Day/Night)

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Day PCA Program: Classes are ongoing with 15 students enrolled. All students are doing well and recently completed Basic Life Support training, earning their CPR certification.
- Night PCA Program: Classes began on February 10 with 11 students enrolled. Last week, they also completed CPR training and are now certified.
- Overall Progress: Both day and night PCA students are actively engaged in their training, gaining essential skills that will prepare them for success in the field.

Topic: PN

Highlights (please limit to 4 key points)

- Anew cohort will begin on March 7 with 24 students.
- The next Career Day foe PN will take place on April 22.
- The pinning ceremony will take place on April 23.



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Date: March 4, 2025
Assistant Director: Brian T. Norris

Program: Professional Culinary Arts & Hospitality

- Culinary Arts High School Senior's did an amazing job with the Senior Expo. The menu of quesadillas was designed, planned, executed and serviced by the seniors. They displayed their skills while working together as a team.
- Culinary Arts students alongside our Chef's catered a continental breakfast for the staff of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on a Day of Service & Love February 14th, 2025.

Program: Business and Information Technology Business PBPA attended the State Leadership Conference

- Business Professionals of America competed in the State Leadership Conference in Orlando on February 20 -23, 2025. The National Leadership Conference is also in Orlando May 7 -10, 2025
- Junior Achievement launched their product Flow Essentials Pack. It is the perfect product for any menstrual emergency. This pack contains a heating pad, stress ball, disposable bags, three feminine wipes, two liners and 3 pads. They have launched a website for sales and are selling on the patio during lunchtime. The packs are \$10.00.

Program: Office of Student Affairs

 OOSA is continuing to provide ongoing support for our first generation CTE students. Students have access to study tools, time management strategies and community support via resource cards and QR codes.
 Faculty are encouraged to implement strategies to foster student success.

- OOSA is in the final phase of planning student activities to promote inclusive activities that engage student and generate excitement about attending ATC throughout the school year. Event ideas include World Student's Day, First Generation Day, CTE Awareness Month with student showcases and Spirit Day.
- OOSA is assisting our recruiter to attend events in the community and present ATC programs.

Program: Transition into Employment

- TIE Customer Service Olympics took place on Wednesday, February 26, 2025. Special thanks to the City of Coconut Creek, Coconut Creek Police Department, Center for Independent Living of Broward, I-Can, Papa John's Pizza, Chick-Fil-A, and ATC's Culinary Department. It was a memorable day for our students and a good time was had by everyone who attended.
- Just Do it award was given to Roodline JeanPierre who has been working at Publix for over two years. The awards ceremony will take place on March 5, 2025 at the Parker.





Date: March 4, 2025

Name: Nicole Willis

Programs: Career Services and Business News

Topic: Employability Skills and Industry-Focus Areas

- The Career Center continues to conduct employability workshops and the focus on IT career opportunities.
- CTE Revamp of Career Readiness Skills Initiative The Florida Department of Education is updating the list of skills required in all Career and Technical Education programs offered by public high schools, technical colleges, and state colleges. The focus is on the skills universal to all industries. Based on a survey completed by businesses all of over Florida the following are crucial skills: critical thinking, interpersonal skills, communication skills, problem solving, and resource management. Six Sigma training was mentioned as being essential for students along with the ability to solve problems independently and seeing the "big picture" of company goals and how all the pieces work together.

Topic: Campus Visits and Upcoming Events

- Practical Nursing Career Day was held on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, on the Arthur Ashe, Jr.
 Campus in Fort Lauderdale.
- Tesla Internship Program Presentation
- Global Tech, Inc., located in Boca Raton, will be on campus Friday, March 7th to visit the Drafting program.
- Steel Fabricators, Inc. is scheduled to visit the ATC for a campus tour on March 14th with an emphasis on the automotive programs.
- Spring Career Fair 2025: The Future in Your Hands will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, 9:00 AM to Noon on the Main Campus in Coconut Creek.

Topic: Business News

- Greater Fort Lauderdale is home to more than 200 corporate, regional, and international headquarters. American Express, AT&T, AutoNation, Chiquita, Claire's Stores, Convey Health Solutions, Emerson, JL Audio, Sintavia, Techtronic Industries, Walgreens, and many more.
- Coconut Creek was named as a "Top Place to Live in America" and "Best City to Raise a Family." The city is home to one of the fastest growing companies (#21) in Broward, Big Dog Construction Services.
 Owner of the company, David Rosenoff, has recruited ATC carpentry students in the past and also served as a program advisory member.
- O "Diverse, educated, and talented, Greater Fort Lauderdale's skilled workforce is eager to learn, work and thrive in the modern workplace. A regional pool of over 3.2 million people drive industries and elevate the region as a world-class talent destination."

Congressman Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick (FL-20)