



Minutes

Truck and Coach Technician Trade Board Meeting

June 17, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.
Fanshawe College – School of Technology & Apprenticeship
Building Z – Boardroom Z1007
1764 Oxford Street, East
London, ON, N5V 3R6

Trade Board Members in Attendance

Rolf VanderZwaag, Chair	Dave Eisele
Patrick Hacon, Vice-chair	Jake Francis
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Gord Charters	James Pinder

Trade Board Members not in Attendance

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Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

John Dixon, Centennial College
Karen Kloibhofer, Fanshawe College

Staff in Attendance

Rottena Sparks, Program Coordinator

1. Call to Order/Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. The Trade Board welcomed everyone to the meeting with a special welcome to the guests in attendance.

2. Approval of Agenda

ON A MOTION MADE BY J. Francis, SECONDED BY J. Jadunauth, AND CARRIED, the agenda was approved as tabled.

3. Conflict of Interest

One conflict of interest was declared by R. Vanderzwaag, who advised that he will not participate in the decision-making regarding the Commercial Vehicle Wheel Service.

4. Previous Minutes

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY P. Hacon, SECONDED BY J. Francis, AND CARRIED, the draft minutes of the Trade Board's March 4, 2016 meeting were approved as tabled.

5. Update on Trade Board Resolutions & Issues

The Trade Board expressed its frustration as to the following:

- Lack of clarity with the roles and responsibilities for the Trade Board
- Lack of progress in moving the Truck and Coach industry forward
- Trade Board seems to serve no purpose. The Trade Board feels it has lots to contribute but there seem to be road blocks to utilize those contributions
- If there are other things that can be done to move forward while many of the issues have been put on hold as a result of the Dean Report

The Trade Board discussed the previous resolution regarding the Mobile Refrigeration Technician Trade. The Trade Board continues to request a copy of, or information with respect to, the formal process and framework for developing a new trade; the Trade Board inquires whether or not the Dean Report has or will impact the new trade development process; and the Trade Board requests an update on the status of its previous resolution recommending the commencement of the new trade development process for the proposed trade of 'Mobile Refrigeration Technician'.

The Trade Board also requested an update on other new trade development proposals or activities that may impact the Truck and Coach Technician trade.

The Trade Board requests a joint meeting be held between the Truck and Coach Technician Trade Board and the Automotive Service Technician Trade Board in the near future to discuss common issues between the two trades. The meeting would be tentatively held at the Ontario Trucking Association or Centennial College. Third choice will be Conestoga College. This meeting would ideally take place on August 26, 2016.

6. Welcome and Update on Activities – Fanshawe College

K. Kloibhofer, Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Consultant, joined the meeting at 10:40 a.m. and provided an update on the courses and activities at Fanshawe College. The Motive Power sector is going very well. Classes are at full capacity. Fanshawe will be hosting an open house in October. This will be the second year for the open house as it was a success in 2015. K. Kloibhofer left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

7. College of Trades Update

7.1 Registrar's Report (Executive Summary/Operations Report/Strategic Goals and Priorities)

The Trade Board reviewed the Executive Summary of the Registrar's Report for the First Quarter of 2016. The Program Coordinator highlighted some key areas, including:

- As of the end of the first quarter of 2016, there were 234,399 College members (i.e. all membership classes) in good standing in both compulsory and voluntary trades
- Motive Power and Residential Construction blitzes by Enforcement Officers are planned in 2016
- Policy, Programs and Evaluations deliverables including new and revised products
- Compliance & Enforcement data on field visits, unauthorized workers, provincial offences and prosecutions
- Trade Equivalency Assessment (TEA) data for the First Quarter (1,781 applications received)

- Complaints and Registration Appeals panel summaries
- Formal complaints made against College members
- Strategic Goals and 2016 Strategic Priorities

7.2 Transfer to the Ministry of Labour

The Program Coordinator shared a copy of the statement made by the College Registrar and CEO, David Tsubouchi. The Trade Board was advised that day-to-day operations of the College remain the same.

7.3 Federal Skilled Worker Program (FSWP) Survey

The Precision Machining and Tooling Trade Board has been granted permission to canvass (through a short survey) other Trade Boards on the potential effect that the FSWP may have on the growth of apprenticeship in Ontario. Staff distributed copies of the survey to the Trade Board.

8. Program Updates

8.1 Apprenticeship Trade Statistics

The Trade Board received a summary of the apprenticeship statistics for the Truck and Coach Technician trade and the Truck Trailer Service Technician trade for the period Mar-May 2016.

8.2 Truck and Coach Practical Exam

Staff reported that a Truck and Coach practical exam has been developed for exam accommodation purposes. More updates will be provided in the near future.

8.3 Red Seal Exam Development

There is an exam development workshop scheduled for October 24-28, 2016 in Ottawa.

9. Industry Updates

9.1 Harmonization Project

Staff provided an overview of the federal Harmonization Project. Staff reported that the stakeholder consultations and survey relating to the first three recommendations is now complete. There will be a few webinars/teleconferences available for stakeholder participation. In the near future, staff will provide more details as well as conduct a recruitment of SMEs/instructors for these webinars/teleconferences, to review the documentation and have a special meeting to discuss the project. The Truck and Coach Technician trade has been selected to participate in the second phase of the project.

9.2 Wheel installation and safety

Under the current structure of the Commercial Vehicle Wheel Service training program, once an individual is certified, it is a lifetime certification. No further training or upgrading is needed to remain certified. The Trade Board believes that this process no longer works based on the negative safety implications. It is being recommended that mandatory training take place every three years.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY D. Eisele, SECONDED BY J. Jadunauth AND CARRIED, that due to the negative impact on public safety, the Trade Board supports revising the Commercial Vehicle Wheel Service Program for a 3-year certificate renewal period, currently administered by the Ontario Trucking Association (OTA) and under the authority of Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (MAESD).

10. Election of Vice-Chair

The Trade Board unanimously elected P. Hacon as its Vice-Chair.

11. Next Scheduled Meeting/Event

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of the Trade Board is scheduled for September 9, 2016.

12. Adjournment

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY J. Jadunauth, SECONDED BY J. Pinder, AND CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

“Rolf VanderZwaag”

Rolf VanderZwaag, Chair

October 7, 2016

Date

¹ Recording Officer