

Lakeshore Area Tech Prep Consortium
Thursday, April 30, 2009
LTC-Wells Fargo Room
Meeting Minutes

School District	Representative
Cedar Grove	N/A
Elkhart Lake	Carol Wordell
Howards Grove	Ruth Madden
Kiel	Ron Schneider
Kohler	N/A
Lincoln	Kari Krull
Mishicot	N/A
Oostburg	N/A
Plymouth	Sue Sell
Random Lake	N/A
Reedsville	N/A
SASD	Mary Hiebing, Deb Boettner, Jennie Maramonte
Sheboygan Falls	Mike Schade
Two Rivers	Lisa Klein
Valders	
LTC	Sheila Kronberg, Karla Zahn, Sara Greenwood

Joan Blindauer/LTC-minutes

7:40 meeting started

1. Welcome/Introductions—Sheila welcomed the group and asked everyone to share something positive that happened recently.

Programs of Study/E4E workshop update—it was very productive and the groups got a lot done and if anyone wants to stay longer after the meeting they have the room if needed.

There is nothing new on the Tech Prep grant from the state at this point, Sheila attended a state TP coordinator’s meeting last week, one of the group activities was sharing the activities other consortia did to get ideas of different things to do.

She mentioned that next year there will be more collaborating with the consortium schools both online and in the schools to lessen their time coming here to LTC.

August Consortium Training-

Sheila informed the group that a date will be set up in August for the Consortium members to go over their duties and will send out a “Doodle” email to everyone to come up with a date that is convenient for all.

Tech Skills Camp

Karla shared info about this summer’s Tech Skills Camp which is scheduled to run from 6/22-26. It is for students entering grades 8-11. There are brochures coming out, ideally she would like 12 students in each of the 3 offerings (Cartoon Art, Law Enforcement & Machine Tool & Welding) for a total of 48, there is funding available for transportation. LTC has received a grant for manufacturing which is supporting this activity; any recruitment from the consortium members would be appreciated. The brochures will be going to guidance counselors at the high schools and middle schools.

Manitowoc Co. Manufacturing Project-Mini-Chopper update

Kari K. shared info about the Manitowoc Co. manufacturing project Mini-Chopper—the unveiling was 4/24 at the Ant Hill Mob event in Manitowoc. They had 300 people show up and had received a \$10,000 grant for the next 3 years from the West Foundation to help out and are gearing up for next year. Karla mentioned how we are really trying to track these students and see where they go.

LEAP conference update

Sheila—had 55 girls, 9 chaperones, bussed to Madison on 3/30. This event included an Education Career fair as well which gave the girls an opportunity to walk through and see several highlights of non-traditional occupations such as firefighters, drywallers, carpenters and engineers. It was very enjoyable and the students got to partake in educational and collaborative projects. There was a mentor at each table for lunch and a “Trash to Treasure” project in which the students had to take found objects and create something with them. Our district had the largest amount of students and it hoped that it could become a local event for the next year. Tim B. asked if there was anything specific about holding it in Madison, Sheila thought maybe the access of resources, he wondered if it could be replicated here on a smaller scale since it would be a natural dovetail to the STEM equity project. The LEAP event is held every other year. Karla would like to look into it closer, thought it would be a great opportunity.

Advancer A+

Sara—had 10 students for the Advancer+ program, for some it worked and for other it didn't. She found that those students with a teacher got it done while those without a teacher did not. She is suggesting a possible committee be formed for it next year, someone at the school has to help, there needs to be some kind of backup to keep on the student. Nikki and Sara can still monitor where they are at but can't do it everyday.

LTC Academy

Sara distributed posters about the LTC Academy which will run from 6/15-18, from 8:30 a.m-3:30 p.m. with lunch provided. Some can start on Tuesday instead of Monday. There is a \$100 stipend per day. The group will be touring the Sheboygan Fire department, Manitowoc Crane and Aurora Hospital in Manitowoc/Two Rivers and are hoping to car pool as many people as they can. LTC will pay travel to tour sites for those who must travel beyond the distance from their home to LTC. The participants will become an Accuplacer participant and will be assigned a program to apply for to get a feel for what the student has to go through such as the letters they receive, meeting with all the deans in 5 divisions and what goes on and go over the high school relations plan, student success, Tech Prep, student placement. They will pay travel for those who have to drive farther than usual and are looking into getting possible grad credits from Silver Lake College by doing a presentation on how you will implement what you learn. Enrollment will be limited to 10 total. It is open to any educator, the ultimate goal is to increase the knowledge of what LTC has and can do. It has been found that quite a few of the General Education teachers don't seem to be aware of what LTC actually does, one example is the Nursing program. The challenge is “How do we get the right info out to the right people?” It is important to get the core groups together to discuss the paths so there would be less need for remediation. It was suggested that LTC present at some of the in-service's to make them aware.....hoping the new faces at the schools may have some new attitudes.

The Accuplacer score for writing is an 86 to get into an Associate program and be successful. What does it translate to? It is like a 19 on an ACT, 9-10 grade level. Sara and Nikki have

sample papers of what the writing should look like and samples of the website test which can be sent out. If interested email Sara or Nikki. Sara mentioned a new testing website and said she would send the info out to the group.

It was mentioned that the week after school gets out the participant you will get are those you always get but not necessarily the ones you need. We still need to reach the parents with more information and awareness of the 2 year colleges and what they have to offer. It was commented that the WTCS system should make more effort to advertise since many in the group were not aware of the new WTCS promotions with the “we are futuremakers” logo.

Here is the link from Karla for “we are futuremakers” which is the current WTCS marketing effort. <http://www.wearefuturemakers.com/>

Other--Sheila will send out a group email of things that have come in to her and asked the group to not be overwhelmed by it, this will include a scholarship for Manufacturing that she will ask the group to send onto Tech Ed. students.

Career Cruising--Sheila signed up last year, it is similar to Wiscareers, and Sheila will send login info if interested let her know, it expires May 31st.

Next year meeting dates—if there are any conflicts let her know.
9/24/09, 11/19/09, 2/4/10, 4/29/10

Sue Sell asked if LTC would create a frontpage so they could hyperlink it to their high school webpage.

Tech Prep Regional Conference--Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 8-4pm, Liberty Hall, Kimberly, WI

Member request

Mike Schade asked the group for funding for him and another instructor to attend a robotics workshop in West Allis in June--it is very competitive and breaks down perceptions and barriers about 2 year schools. This workshop is through the Sally Ride Academy for Robotics. He shared a brochure about it with the group. He noted that at the elementary levels the students do LEGO league and then go onto robotics in high school. He stated that the CAD instructors would like something more competitive and this would fit. This is a weeklong workshop with the cost for training is \$310.00.

Motion--Proposal brought forward to allocate up to \$500 for Mike and another instructor (Ed Hughes)to attend the workshop on robotics which would include mileage registration etc., IF he can't get the money from his district for the week of 6/22.

Motion-- **passed**

Ayes--all

Nays--none

Lisa mentioned that the group can hold off and if Mike still needs the money Sheila can do the contact the group after checking on the budget to see how much money is available.

--Meeting adjourned