



**Sweeny Independent School District**  
Career and Technology Advisory Council  
Minutes – April 22, 2015

**Members Present**

**Administration:**

Randy Miksch  
Brett Miksch  
Brian Brooks  
Les Kluttz  
Amy Pope

**Teachers:**

Alaina Bell  
Kelly Bertsch  
Windy Byrd  
Derek Cook

Jeff Kemmerling

Mark Manley  
Curtis Schmidt  
Tyler Sullivan  
Darla Reynolds  
Ronald Wilson

**Community Members:**

Charlie Greenberg  
Glenn Campbell  
TJ Loftus  
John Crouch  
John Mack

**Students:**

Miguel Aguilera  
Matthew Garrett  
Mia Guerra  
Jacquelyn Lopez  
Shane Manley  
Thomas Mendez  
Robert Miller  
Kevin Yeager

**The Chairperson's Message**

Jeff Kemmerling, Co-Chair, brought the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. He welcomed everyone to the meeting. Meal was served.

**Old Business**

Mr. Miksch discussed at the last meeting the possibility of adding an electrical trade course for the fall through Brazosport College. Today he confirmed that the class was established and a section is filling for the fall.

**New Business**

Mr. Sullivan accepted nomination for CATE Council Secretary and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Kemmerling introduced Sweeny High School students to discuss their courses.

Millwright, by Kevin Yeager - He shared on the activities that are completed in the shop. He discussed the important parts and tools of the job. He also shared that millwrights earn about \$25.69 per hour. He showed pictures of students working on a turbine. He also shared about safety concerns at the plant. He also discussed the specific tools needed in the career for very specific tasks. He recommended this course to anyone.

Miguel Aguilera, Instrumentation – He discussed the safety equipment required in the class. He discussed the electric motor and the pump. He showed us how to calculate the pressure. He presented the distillation system they work on. He shared that he teachers of the courses make something that looks complicated easy to understand.

Robert Miller and Shane Miller – Process Technology – Shared that they are interested in attending A&M and pursue engineering programs. This class is a great feeder class for this program. They also shared about OSHA in their safety class.

Thomas Mendez – Dual Credit Welding at BC. Shared that at the beginning of the class he was scared because he was working with high voltage electricity. He shared about the different tests he had to take. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, they began to practice welding. As they continued practicing the welding, they continued grow and improve. They have multiple labs that involve different types of welding.

A highlight video was shown to display all the classes at Sweeny ISD in career and technology.

**Open Forum**

Mr. Kemmerling thanked everyone for attending and we applauded our students for all their hard work.

**Adjournment**

Kelly Bertsch motioned to adjourn and Ronald Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Windy Byrd