

**LA CROSSE AREA CARPENTER
JOINT APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE**

North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters Training Center
2421 Larson Street, La Crosse, WI 54603

Meeting Date: October 20, 2025
Time: 4:00pm
Place: 2421 Larson Street, La Crosse, WI 54603

MINUTES (open)

The meeting was held in compliance with Wisconsin's Open Meeting Law.
The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.
Roll call of committee members was taken.

- **Present** – Dan Wibralski (management), Kevin Hennessey (labor), Andy Von Arx (labor), Rick Seeley (labor), Eric Hayden (management), Jim Fink (management)
- **Absent** – Dave Mydy (management), Josh Horeck (labor)
- **Guests Present** – Rob Giese (Training Director/CTI), Patti Johnson (CTI/Recordkeeping), and Darrell Ferguson, via FaceTime (ATR/BAS)

Positions are for a two-year term and shall alternate between Labor and Management.

- *Dan Wibralski is stepping down from Chairperson due to moving to the HHPD JAC effective immediately. **Further discussion will take place at the January 2026 meeting as to who will step in as the Chairperson.***

Chairperson:

Secretary: Rick Seeley; Labor, September 2024

Open Session

- Reading and approval of July 14, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion to approve was made by Rick Seeley and seconded by Dave Mydy, and the motion passed.
- **Affirmative Action:** JAC reviewed AA activity log.
- **BAS Report:** No Report
- **NWTC:** No Report
- **Training Center Report:** Rob Giese reported that the Central TC will be having its one-year anniversary open house on November 18, and all are invited to attend.

Old Business

- a. **Timecard Violation Policy Review:** Tabled from April meeting:
The Timecard Policy disciplinary progression was updated. The Policies and Procedures have been updated, and apprentices have been informed.

New Business

- **Separation of NWTC:** Rob Giese, CTI Training Director, discussed the separation of the NCSRCC Training Fund from the WTCS affiliation through our Standards. Discussion included that the Training Fund is barred from prohibiting non-member participation due to WTCS's public funding aspect; also, WTCS considers the UBC curriculum subject to their review as part of the agreement. The NCSRCC Training Fund has a beneficial relationship with NWTC; however, the Training Fund and its members could be better served by transitioning to "Proprietary Curriculum approval" with BAS. The JAC reviewed the pros and cons of separating from Tech College. Kevin Hennessey made a motion, and Andy Van Arx seconded the motion, to approve separating from Tech College beginning with the fall 2026 semester.
- **Drywall Finish vs. Basic Welding (Carpenters Only):** Rob Giese, CTI Training Director, reported that Basic Welding should be replaced with a Finish Carpentry class. This would be a contractor's decision on which class they would like their apprentice to take. Kevin Hennessey made a motion, and Jim Fink seconded the motion to approve offering a Finish Carpentry class instead of Basic Welding.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 26, 2026
April 27, 2026
July 27, 2026
October 26, 2026

Pursuant to Open Meetings Law Stat. 19.85(1)(c), Kevin Hennessey made a motion to go into closed session at 4:16 PM, which was seconded by Rick Seeley. The motion passed.

Closed Session:

- The Closed Session Minutes from July 14, 2025, JAC meeting were read. A motion was made by Kevin Hennessey and seconded by Rick Seeley to approve them; the motion passed.
- Letters of Introduction
- Transfers, Re-Assignments, and Completions
- Apprentice Reviews & Activities

Adjourn: 4:47 PM