



Apprenticeship Curriculum Committee Minutes

10/24/2023

Attendees: Brian Murphy, Training Coordinator, San Jose Pipes, Local 393
Jonathan Clark, Residential Coordinator, San Jose Pipes, Local 393
Chris Allen, Dean, Apprenticeship Programs, Foothill College
Terry Monroe, Training Director, Northern California Sound & Communication- JATC
Tim Myres, Training Administrator, Bay Area Sheet Metal, Local 104
Peter Chursin, Training Director, San Francisco Electrical, Local 6
Stephan Schnell, Training Director, San Mateo Plumbing, Local 467
John Stewart, Training Director, AATA
Phuong Tran, Apprenticeship Programs Coordinator, Foothill College
Tom Johnson, Curriculum Coordinator, San Mateo Plumbing & Pipefitting, Local 467
Albert Lancaster, Training Director, Electrical Training Alliance of Silicon Valley, Local 332
Jacob Panovich, Monterey Plumbing, Local 62
Paul Starer, Faculty, Foothill College

Agenda:

Action Items:

Cooperative Work Experience Courses Title 5 Changes:

Please see the description below for the Cooperative Work Experience outlined in our Title 5 regulations. A discussion to continue to keep the 350 hours required for the CWE courses or reduce the total number of hours for the 7 units. An increase of 3.5 units for the CWE courses for a total of 10.5 units if we keep the 350 hours.

If an apprentice works 40hrs a week at 12 weeks that is 480hrs. I am noticing the out-of-work list in all JATCs. At 32hrs for 12 weeks that is 384hrs.

Do we want to take advantage of the increase of units if we think they can meet the 350-hour requirement in a 12 week period? This will allow only two courses to be scheduled for a total of 21 units.

Action Items: Change the unit value for CWE (work experience) courses to 10.5 units and keep the 350hr requirement.

§ 55253 now states that the calculation for "work experience education offered as a credit course [is] ... one quarter unit [will be awarded] for every 33 hours of work experience, or the equivalent locally determined minimum threshold for awarding one unit of credit as codified in local board policy or procedure" (pg. 9 of the PDF). Our district AP 4020 currently states that, "Cooperative work experience



courses shall adhere to the formula for credit hour calculations identified in Title 5, Section 55256.5" - this Title 5 section has been repealed, as part of these new changes, but it previously stated that, "Each 75 hours of paid work equals one semester credit or 50 hours equals one quarter credit." This is how we calculated 7 units for 350 hours. Under the new calculation, 350 hours = 10.5 units. Second, § 55253 states that "A maximum of ... twenty-one quarter credit hours may be earned during one enrollment period in work experience education" (pg. 10 of the PDF). This is a change from the previous version of § 55253, which stated that "For the satisfactory completion of all types of Cooperative Work Experience Education, students may earn up to a total of ... 24 quarter credit hours..." The way I'm interpreting this is that whereas previously students were capped out at 24 units of work experience, now they may earn up to 21 units of work experience per quarter ("enrollment period).

Discussion:

Stephan motioned to move the total unit count to 10.5 keeping the 350hrs for the quarter. Jonathan seconded the motion and the ACC committee voted aye to increase the total CWE units to 10.5 for the CWE courses: CWE 60A, 65A, 65B, 65C, 65D.