



2018-19 PLAN for Greene County ESC Business Advisory Council

Business Advisory Council Meeting/GCESC Governing Board

Mission Statement: *The Greene County Business Advisory Council, in partnership with Greene County schools and businesses, will assist in the assessment of workforce needs and employability skills for student success in the regional economy.* (The GCESC BAC developed this Mission Statement in Fall 2017.)

The BAC Responsibilities:

1. **To advise the districts on changes in the economy and job market and the area in which future jobs are most likely to be available.**
2. **To advocate for the employment skills most critical to business and industry and the development of curriculum to teach these skills.**
3. **To aid and support districts by offering suggestions for developing a working relationship among businesses, labor organizations, and educators.**

Membership:

All public school districts in Greene County have chosen to align with the GCESC BAC. The districts include the following:

- Beavercreek City School District**
- Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Local School District**
- Cedar Cliff Local School District**
- Fairborn City School District**
- Greeneview Local School District**
- Greene County Career Center**
- Xenia City School District**
- Yellow Springs Exempted Village School District**

All districts have a Superintendent or a Designee as members on the BAC. GCESC Board Members are also members of the BAC. Business and community members include but are not limited to the following— attorney, realtor, farmer, Chamber of Commerce member, Director of Economic Development from County Commissioner office, Public Health Commissioner, Business Owners, District Board Member, College Administrator, Foundation Director, WPAFB liaison, Military Representative, Adult Disability Agency Representative, and a Representative from the Greene County Division of *OhioMeansJobs*. Current members represent all of the school district locales in Greene County.

Meeting Dates:

The BAC met on the following dates during the 2017-18 school year:

- November 29, 2017**
- January 11, 2018**
- March 14, 2018**
- May 10, 2018**

The BAC will meet on the following dates during the 2018-19 school year:

- September 19, 2018**
- December 13, 2018**
- February 20, 2019**
- June 13, 2019**

The BAC began the first meeting of the 2017-18 school year with a review of the current ORC language around councils. A MISSION STATEMENT was developed and agreed upon by the group. The BAC determined a Chairperson and a Secretary for the meetings. This will be reviewed at the start of each school year to determine if a change is needed. The group also determined that membership should be “fluid” meaning that standing members should be on the group but that others can be added as necessary and appropriate. The second meeting consisted of discussion of meeting the spirit of the law and the need to continue to make this a meaningful process where tangible outcomes will result. The group also examined and discussed the new ODE BAC Guidelines, soft skills students need for employment, and district/business partnerships that could take place in subsequent years. The March 14th meeting included a homework assignment for members—creating a needs overview for jobs and employability skills in their own organizations, gleaning information from the GCCC needs assessment for workforce needs in Greene County and partnership possibilities. The May 10th meeting focused on next steps for the BAC as we embark on the 2018-19 school year.

Plans for the BAC:

- Ensure that each district superintendent receives updates to share with their district boards. This will come from the GCESC Superintendent after each BAC meeting.
- Ensure that the board prepares its joint statement to ODE at its February board meeting so that it can be submitted to ODE by the required date of March 1st, 2019.
- Review BAC Timelines per Ohio Department of Education.
- The BAC determined that the above dates will allow our BAC to meet the requirements of the law and also allow the BAC to continue to work on the BAC Mission and Responsibilities.
- The GCESC will post the dates for the BAC meetings following Sunshine Law rules.
- The BAC will work together to determine how to best meet the spirit of the law and continue to work on the three key responsibilities of the group.