

## **Business Advisory Council**

(BAC) March 1<sup>,</sup> 2020 JOINT STATEMENT for 2019-20

## Greene County BAC 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.

## 2019-20 School Year Meetings of the BAC: October 9, 2019 December 12, 2019 February 12, 2020 June 11, 2020

## The GCESC Business Advisory Council information and accomplishments during the 2019-2020 school year:

- Reviewed Mission Statement and Role at each meeting.
- Discussed roles and responsibilities of the BAC. (3 main areas per ORC)
- Continued to add business members and community members over the past three years.
- The BAC is made up of approximately 30 members including but not limited to the following: School Personnel (Superintendents or Designees), GCESC Board Members, Educational Foundation Represesentative, Chamber of Commerce Member, Attorney, Real Estate Agent, College/University Representatives, Military Representative, WPAFB Representative, Manufacturing Representative, OhioMeansJobs Representative, Director of Development, United Way Representative, Greene County Developmental Disabilities (GCDD) Representative, Toward Independence Representative, and others. This school year both Wright State and Sinclair have added members to the group.
- Sinclair Workforce Development representative explained the initiatives that they are working on and developing. Resources were given the group.
- *YouScience*—career interest and aptitude program overview was given at the October 2020 BAC meeting by a YouScience representative. (<u>www.YouScience.com</u> is on BAC webpage.)
- Each school district has looked at examined their own business partnerships and are creating these within districts based on their own individual needs.
- The Project LIFE intitiatve was launched this school year and the project was explained at each BAC meeting. Project LIFE is a program for Super Seniors who have disabilities that the GCESC is in the process of developing this school year using the Butler Tech license/program. Collaborative partnerships have been made with Wright State University (WSU), Greene County Developmental Disabilities (GCDD), school districts and others to support this program. The program will be implemented starting with the 2020-21 school year.
- The Dayton Region Manufacturing Association (DRMA) joined the team in February 2019. The President/Designee' are a part of the BAC and give overviews at Full Councils of what they can do in districts with Power Lunches and other activities DRMA can provide.
- The BAC continues to update the BAC page on the the GCESC website. This page is dedicated to the work of the BAC and houses information, resources and artifacts of the BAC. That webpage is available at <a href="http://www.greeneesc.org/BusinessAdvisoryCouncil.aspx">http://www.greeneesc.org/BusinessAdvisoryCouncil.aspx</a>
- The BAC watched the video *"The Career Path Less Taken"* as a group and also had the opportunity to view it as homework. Council members were encouraged to share the video with others.
- Graduation Requirements Overview was provided to the BAC by an ESC Director at the February 2020 meeting.

- Superintendent of Greene County Career Center (GCCC) presented and overview of the new GCCC building project and programs at the February 2020 meeting.
- BAC Chairperson(s) share pertinent information with the BAC members via email throughout the year—emails on college and career readiness, business partnerships and other information.
- The BAC read articles and email information on both "soft skills" and "college paths or other paths for students" and determined that both should be loaded onto the BAC website. The BAC wants educators, parents, and students to understand the need for soft-skill development and the need for students to be exposed to many types of careers—those that require college and those that do not. The BAC webpage will be a portal for these types of articles and resources. This continues to be a focus for the BAC.
- BAC continues to promote the manufacturing website on its BAC webpage. www.makingohio.com
- OhioMeansJobs representative shared at the February 2020 meeting that they can offer services to districts and to individual students on career exploration and trainings.
- The BAC will hold its fourth meeting of the school year on June 11, 2020. BAC will determine its meetings dates and times for the 2020-21 school year.
- The BAC will determine additional activities for the coming school year. The BAC will also consider adding new members as deemed appropriate during the course of each school year.

*Next meeting:* June 11, 2020: *Establish dates for coming school year.*