

Pioneer Technology Center Board of Education  
Special Meeting  
Monday, November 13, 2023, 6:30 PM  
Seminar Center West  
2101 N. Ash St.  
Ponca City, Oklahoma 74601

1. Call meeting to order
2. Roll call and establish a quorum
3. Flag salute and moment of silence
4. Motion and vote to approve appointing new board member for Zone 4
5. Oath of Office for appointed Board Member
6. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve the Minutes of the October 10 ,2023 regular Board of Education meeting
7. Discussion, review and vote to approve or not approve the Financial Reports; Activity Fund Report; and Encumbrances & Change Order Lists for FY24 General Fund #40665-40790 in the amount of \$264,795.20; Building Fund #40025-40031 in the amount of \$63,403.14; Payroll #70167-70168 in the amount of \$105,007.00.
8. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve the purchases over \$10,000 as listed on Appendix A.
9. Administrative Reports and Anticipated Discussion by the Board and Staff regarding facilities, district policy issues, community issues and/or personnel or student needs
  - 9.A. Traci Thorpe, Superintendent/CEO
  - 9.B. Molly Kyler, Executive Director, Business & Industry Services
10. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve list of proposed Board Meeting dates for 2024
11. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve the hiring of an AT&D Health Facilitator.
12. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve the hiring of a Safety Instructor.
13. Discussion and vote to approve or not approve individuals on part-time and temporary employment contracts, and addenda to contracts as listed on Appendix B.
14. New Business

15. Board Comment

16. Adjournment

*NOTE: The Board may discuss, make motions and vote upon all matters appearing on this agenda. Such votes may be to adopt, reject, table, reaffirm, rescind, or take no action on any agenda matter.*

POSTED: Pioneer Technology Center, North Entrance

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By Allison Christy, Minutes Clerk



**PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

From PO: 40665 to PO: 40790

*General*

**Encumbrance For Board Approval  
GEN FUND-FOR OPERAT**

<b>PO</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>General Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
40665	A+ PRINTING	CENTRAL - PRINTING	311.31	10/06/2023
40666	SNAP-ON INDUSTRIAL TOOLS	AUTO SERVICE - SUBSCRIPTIONS	1,200.00	10/06/2023
40667	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	46.88	10/06/2023
40668	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS - SUPPLIES	1,467.39	10/09/2023
40669	MERRIFIELD OFFICE PLUS	FINANCIAL AID - SUPPLIES	78.49	10/10/2023
40670	ASSESSMENT TECHNOLOGIES INSTITUTE LLC	PN RESALE BOOKS	2,900.00	10/10/2023
40671	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	194.97	10/10/2023
40672	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AT&D INSTRUCT - SUPPLIES	214.11	10/10/2023
40673	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	FULLTIME PROGRAMS - SUPPLIES	79.56	10/10/2023
40674	GREASEBUSTERS	CULINARY SERVICES - REPAIRS	1,450.00	10/10/2023
40675	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	STUDENT SERVICES/COUNSELING - SUPPLIES	193.09	10/10/2023
40676	NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY	STAFF/STUDENT TRAVEL REGISTRATION	280.00	10/10/2023
40677	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	1,285.28	10/11/2023
40678	TEACHER CREATED RESOURCES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	84.44	10/11/2023
40679	THERMACUBE, LLC	CHILDREN'S LAB - TRAVEL REGISTRATION	20.00	10/11/2023
40680	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	100.00	10/11/2023
40681	X-CEL BADGE & ENGRAVING C	STUDENT AMBASSADOR SUPPLIES	19.85	10/11/2023
40682	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	VEHICLE MAINT - SUPPLIES	59.55	10/11/2023
40683	A+ PRINTING	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	194.00	10/11/2023
40684	MURRAY WOMBLE	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	452.00	10/11/2023
40685	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	185.79	10/12/2023
40686	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	106.40	10/12/2023
40687	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	1,253.11	10/12/2023
40688	ODCTE	PN TRAVEL REGISTRATION	80.00	10/12/2023
40689	ROMAN NOSE STATE LODGE	PN TRAVEL LODGING	214.00	10/12/2023
40690	PONCA CITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY*	WORK READY GRANT - LEASE	132,000.00	10/16/2023
40691	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AT&D - RESALE SUPPLIES	138.68	10/17/2023
40692	GREASEBUSTERS	CULINARY ARTS REPAIRS	2,000.00	10/17/2023
40693	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	MARKETING/SUPPLIES	39.57	10/17/2023
40694	BOOMER TIRE	VEHICLE MAINT REPAIRS	60.00	10/17/2023



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40695	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES GROUNDS	213.97	10/17/2023
40696	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	ENT SERV/INNOVATION MGR - SUBSCRIPTION	200.00	10/17/2023
40697	QUALITY LOGO PRODUCTS	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	534.43	10/17/2023
40698	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	FINANCE EQUIPMENT	341.99	10/17/2023
40699	OSU COLLEGE ENGINEERING	SAFETY TRAVEL	595.00	10/17/2023
40700	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	COSMETOLOGY SUPPLIES	75.93	10/17/2023
40701	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	FINANCE SUPPLIES	100.00	10/17/2023
40702	APPLE INC	WRO GRANT EQUIPMENT	25,152.00	10/18/2023
40703	JOHN VANCE AUTO GROUP	WRO GRANT VEHICLES	49,948.00	10/18/2023
40704	MLC CAD SYSTEMS LLC	PRECISION MACHINING - SUPPLIES	300.00	10/18/2023
40705	NORTHERN SAFETY & INDUSTRIAL	FIREFIGHTER REPAIRS	2,192.55	10/18/2023
40706	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	GROUND SUPPLIES	157.64	10/18/2023
40707	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	SERVICE CAREERS SUPPLIES	39.10	10/19/2023
40708	HOBBY LOBBY	AT&D - RESALE SUPPLIES	49.39	10/20/2023
40709	EASYKEYS	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	56.71	10/20/2023
40710	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	TANF - CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	146.91	10/20/2023
40711	TEACHER CREATED RESOURCES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	50.95	10/20/2023
40712	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	DIRECTOR SUPPLIES	900.00	10/20/2023
40713	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	124.31	10/20/2023
40714	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF CONSUMABLE SUPPLY	126.69	10/20/2023
40715	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	333.42	10/20/2023
40716	AMC URGENT CARE PLUS	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	15.00	10/20/2023
40717	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	91.77	10/20/2023
40718	AMC URGENT CARE PLUS	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	15.00	10/20/2023
40719	LAMPTON WELDING SUPPLY	WELDING SUPPLIES	736.85	10/20/2023
40720	INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS INC.	EXISTING INDUSTRY - PROF SERVICES	3,589.50	10/20/2023
40721	GRAINGER	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	86.16	10/20/2023
40722	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	CONSTRUCTION TECH SUPPLIES	1,500.00	10/20/2023
40723	SNAP-ON INDUSTRIAL TOOLS	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	245.00	10/23/2023
40724	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	60.71	10/23/2023
40725	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	CRIMINAL JUSTICE - REPAIRS	432.24	10/23/2023



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<b>PO</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>General Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
40726	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	PN SUPPLIES	125.00	10/23/2023
40727	FLEETPRIDE, INC	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	47.28	10/24/2023
40728	STRICKLAND ROAD SEVICES	BUS MAINT REPAIRS	850.00	10/24/2023
40729	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	AT&D - RESALE SUPPLIES	146.26	10/24/2023
40730	AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION	PN SUPPLIES	178.00	10/24/2023
40731	HOBBY LOBBY	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	6.78	10/24/2023
40732	AMC URGENT CARE PLUS	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	15.00	10/25/2023
40733	EDVOTEK INC	BIOMED - SUPPLIES	65.00	10/25/2023
40734	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	143.58	10/25/2023
40735	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	561.58	10/25/2023
40736	LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS LLC	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	22.19	10/25/2023
40737	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	39.48	10/25/2023
40739	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AT&D - OFFICE SUPPLIES	209.99	10/25/2023
40740	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	80.00	10/25/2023
40741	TEACHERSPAYTEACHERS.COM	CHILDRENS LAB - SUPPLIES	58.99	10/27/2023
40742	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONCIS - SUPPLIES	381.54	10/27/2023
40743	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	28.97	10/27/2023
40744	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	18.94	10/27/2023
40745	JUNIOR'S LOCK & ALARM	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	18.41	10/27/2023
40746	HOLT TRUCK CENTERS	BUS MAINT REPAIRS	1,000.00	10/27/2023
40747	SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	107.97	10/27/2023
40748	FLEETPRIDE, INC	BUS MAINT REPAIRS	997.70	10/27/2023
40749	MAKEKINGS	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	180.00	10/27/2023
40750	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS- SUPPLIES	296.44	10/30/2023
40751	OKLAHOMA SKILLS USA	STAFF/STUDENT TRAVEL REGISTRATION	2,590.00	10/30/2023
40752	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	150.42	10/30/2023
40753	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	CULINARY SERVICES - SUPPLIES	68.97	10/30/2023
40754	A+ PRINTING	FTP - SUPPLIES	250.21	10/30/2023
40755	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	COMPUTER SYSTEMS - SUPPLIES	1,520.00	10/31/2023
40756	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	SUPT - TRAVEL LODGING	150.00	10/31/2023
40757	CLUTCH SOLUTIONS	COMPUTER SYSTEMS -- SUPPLIES	5,802.00	10/31/2023



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40758	ADAMS PLUMBING	REPAIRS - BLDG MT	500.00	10/31/2023
40759	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES - CENTRAL	129.79	10/31/2023
40760	AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION	PN SUPPLIES	66.00	10/31/2023
40761	LEGACY SIGNS	BUILDING MAINT SUPPLIES	100.00	10/31/2023
40762	ADAMS PLUMBING	BLDG MAINT - REPAIRS	500.00	11/01/2023
40763	THERMACUBE, LLC	CHILDREN'S LAB - TRAVEL REGISTRATION	20.00	11/01/2023
40764	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	194.72	11/01/2023
40765	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	INFO TECH - SUPPLIES	201.82	11/01/2023
40766	EARNHEART STATIONS	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	3,000.00	11/01/2023
40767	DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY	TEACHER PREP SUPPLIES	137.75	11/01/2023
40768	DR. WILLIAM STUEVER	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	110.00	11/01/2023
40769	PIONEER TECH FOOD SERVICE	SHARE - STUDENT ASSISTANCE	2,000.00	11/01/2023
40770	THERMACUBE, LLC	CHILDREN'S LAB - TRAVEL REGISTRATION	40.00	11/02/2023
40771	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	87.97	11/02/2023
40772	MURRAY WOMBLE	BLDG MAINT - REPAIRS	850.00	11/03/2023
40773	SAFELITE - PONCA CITY	VEHICLE MAINT - REPAIRS	441.29	11/03/2023
40774	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SAFETY - SUPPLIES	50.90	11/03/2023
40775	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	120.00	11/03/2023
40776	UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON	SAFETY - TRAVEL REGISTRATION	595.00	11/03/2023
40777	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	PN SUPPLIES	60.00	11/03/2023
40778	A+ PRINTING	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	58.00	11/03/2023
40779	SPA GIRL INTL CORP	COSMETOLOGY SUPPLIES	1,394.70	11/03/2023
40780	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	INFO TECH SUPPLIES	57.45	11/03/2023
40781	DR. WILLIAM STUEVER	TANF MEDICAL/DENTAL	140.00	11/03/2023
40782	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES - MECHATRONICS	185.48	11/03/2023
40783	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	364.16	11/03/2023
40784	THE CARE COURSES SCHOOL, INC.	CHILDREN'S LAB - TRAVEL REGISTRATION	60.00	11/03/2023
40785	KELLE REPAIR AND TIRE CENTER	VEHICLE MAINT - REPAIRS	700.00	11/03/2023
40786	UNIFORM STOP - STILLWATER	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	97.95	11/03/2023
40787	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	COSMETOLOGY SUPPLIES	66.80	11/06/2023
40788	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS - SUPLIES	101.03	11/06/2023



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40789	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	30.00	11/06/2023
40790	ASE	RESALE SUPPLIES	1,104.00	11/08/2023
<b>(11) GEN FUND-FOR OPERAT Current Encumbered:</b>			<b>264,795.20</b>	



# PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER

From 06 Oct 2023 to 08 Nov 2023



## CHANGE ORDER REPORT GEN FUND-FOR OPERAT

<u>PO</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>General Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>
40013	BEN E. KEITH FOODS-OKLAHOMA	BLANKET PO	1,500.00	7/1/2023
40057	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE	BLANKET PO	2,000.00	7/1/2023
40064	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	BLANKET PO	3,000.00	7/1/2023
40100	KAY COUNTY ASSESSOR	RE-EVALUATION FEE	-853.25	7/1/2023
40189	PONCA CITY REC PLEX	BPOC-RESALE SUPPLIES	-1,053.00	7/7/2023
40242	KAPLAN EARLY LEARNING COMPANY	CHILDREN'S LAB - SUPPLIES	-5.35	7/13/2023
40261	ADAMS PLUMBING	BLDG MAINT - REPAIRS	-133.23	7/19/2023
40337	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	BIS ADMIN - TRAVEL LODGING	-151.17	8/8/2023
40338	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	STUDENT SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL DIR - TRAVEL LODGING	-174.64	8/8/2023
40380	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	SUPERINTENDENT/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TRAVEL	-60.00	8/11/2023
40393	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	SUPT / EXECUTIVE DIR - TRAVEL LODGING	-238.07	8/14/2023
40414	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	PD, INST DIR, STUDENT SERVICES - TRAVEL (MEALS & RENTAL CAR)	305.00	8/16/2023
40431	LEGACY SIGNS	BUILDING MAINT REPAIRS	-27.95	8/18/2023
40454	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	FINANCE - TRAVEL LODGING	-14.32	8/23/2023
40469	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	-4.58	8/25/2023
40473	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	ACADEMIC LAB SUPPLIES	-500.00	8/25/2023
40476	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	-5.28	8/28/2023
40482	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	-5.22	8/29/2023
40498	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	DIR OF INSTRUCT - LODGING/AIRFARE/MEALS/TRANSPORTATION	-344.65	8/31/2023
40499	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	COSMETOLOGY STAFF/STUDENT TRAVEL LODGING	35.07	9/1/2023

40514	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	COSMETOLOGY TRAVEL REGISTRATION/ LODGING	55.41	9/6/2023
40553	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS CHILD CARE GRANT - SUPPLIES	-180.72	9/14/2023
40558	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	AUTO SERVICE - SUPPLIES	-20.53	9/15/2023
40573	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	CONSTRUCTION TECH - SUPPLIES	-80.55	9/18/2023
40575	JENKINS & PRICE	BUILDING MAINT - SUPPLIES	-5.50	9/19/2023
40576	LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS LLC	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	-98.72	9/19/2023
40577	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	-508.98	9/19/2023
40594	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS SUPPLIES	-33.94	9/20/2023
40604	ADAMS PLUMBING	BLDG MAINT - REPAIRS	1,300.00	9/26/2023
40607	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	INFO TECH - SUPPLIES	-20.00	9/26/2023
40612	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	-66.36	9/29/2023
40616	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	CULINARY SERVICES - SUPPLIES	-233.10	9/29/2023
40624	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	CENTRAL - SUPPLIES	-221.02	9/29/2023
40625	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	MECHATRONICS - SUPPLIES	-29.00	10/2/2023
40629	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	CHILDREN'S LAB - SUPPLIES	-83.29	10/3/2023
40631	LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS LLC	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	-28.01	10/3/2023
40634	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	HEALTH CAREERS - SUPPLIES	-45.09	10/3/2023
40635	CAREER TECH PRINTING SERVICES	MARKETING - ADVERTISING	1.00	10/3/2023
40636	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	VISUAL COMM SUPPLIES	-0.92	10/3/2023
40638	THE RAILROAD YARD INC.	BLDG MAINT - SUPPLIES	-17.29	10/3/2023
40639	4 IMPRINT INC	MARKETING - ADVERTISING	-548.42	10/3/2023
40644	ACCURATE AUTO REPAIR	TANF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OTHER	-0.10	10/3/2023
40645	MLC CAD SYSTEMS LLC	PRECISION MACHINING - SUPPLIES	37.74	10/3/2023
40650	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	COSMETOLOGY SUPPLIES	-16.80	10/4/2023
40651	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	VEHICLE MAINT - REPAIRS	-8.01	10/4/2023
40656	WAL-MART COMMUNITY CARD	MEDICAL SERVICES - SUPPLIES	-13.68	10/5/2023
40657	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	INFO TECH - SUPPLIES	-20.00	10/5/2023
40661	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	FINANCE - SUPPLIES	-10.00	10/5/2023
40663	KAPLAN EARLY LEARNING COMPANY	OKDHS GRANT - SUPPLIES	-8.25	10/5/2023

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**(11) GEN FUND-FOR OPERAT Total:**

**2,365.23**



**PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

From PO: 40025 to PO: 40031

*Building*

**Encumbrance For Board Approval  
BUILDING FUND**

<b>PO</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>General Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
40025	SOBER BROTHERS, INC.	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS REMODEL	24,990.00	10/11/2023
40026	WOOD SYSTEMS INC	BLDG MAINT - NEW CONSTRUCTION	13,237.28	10/11/2023
40027	SPIVA PAINTING & DRYWALL LLC	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS REMODEL	3,250.86	10/25/2023
40028	STOLHAND-WELLS GROUP	MAJOR REPAIRS/REMODEL - BLDG FUND	9,858.00	10/31/2023
40029	STOLHAND-WELLS GROUP	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS	4,667.00	11/01/2023
40030	STOLHAND-WELLS GROUP	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS/REMODEL	3,150.00	11/03/2023
40031	FENCE RESTORATIONS, LLC	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS	4,250.00	11/08/2023
<b>(21) BUILDING FUND Current Encumbered:</b>			<b>63,403.14</b>	



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**X CHANGE ORDER REPORT**  
**BUILDING FUND**

<b>PO</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>General Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
40012	KYLER CONSTRUCTION	BLDG MAINT - MAJOR REPAIRS REMODEL	-1,700.00	8/3/2023
40024	LOWE'S HOME CENTER INC	BLDG MAINT - REPAIRS	-107.56	9/29/2023
<b>(21) BUILDING FUND Total:</b>			<b>-1,807.56</b>	



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From PO: 70167 to PO: 70168

*Payroll*

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<b>PO</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>General Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
70167	FIELDS, BRADEN	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	52,103.01	11/07/2023
70168	DENOYA, STACI	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	52,903.99	11/07/2023
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70006	ABE / HSE INSTRUCTORS (STATE)	BLANKET PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	750.00	7/1/2023
70008	ABE / CORRECTIONS INSTRUCTORS	BLANKET PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	3,730.50	7/1/2023
70040	BELL, KEVIN B	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.42	7/1/2023
70056	EDDINGER, ASHLEY B	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.42	7/1/2023
70062	FREEMAN, IAN M	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	644.79	7/1/2023
70093	POLLAK, BRENDA J	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.44	7/1/2023
70094	RANDOL, KAYLA D	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	1,880.91	7/1/2023
70136	MAXSON, ADRIANE M	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	-20,547.03	7/10/2023
70141	BODICK, CARALYN E	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	2,364.75	8/1/2023
70142	BRADEN, VICKI A	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.56	7/26/2023
70143	BULLER, TROY J	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.44	7/26/2023
70145	ELLER, KINDAL R	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.53	7/26/2023
70147	EVANS, TYLER E	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.42	7/26/2023
70152	LADNER, ZACHARY L	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	1,880.83	7/26/2023
70159	UNDERWOOD, HEATHER N	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	940.43	7/26/2023
70166	MCGEE, LINDSEY	PAYROLL ENCUMBRANCE	327.91	9/30/2023
<b>(11) GEN FUND-FOR OPERAT Total:</b>			<b>-1,443.68</b>	

**PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER**  
**PURCHASES OVER \$10,000**  
 Equipment/Furniture/Remodel or Repairs/Technology  
 November 13, 2023

<u>Program/Area</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Work Force Oklahoma Grant	<b>Galaxie Business Equipment</b>	Furniture for WRO site:	
		Classroom space	\$15,415.77
		Conference Room space	\$ 7,340.25
		Offices	\$17,160.09
		Reception/Public Space	\$12,948.29
		Break Room	\$ 3,484.10
		Delivery/Installation/Trash Haul Off	\$10,301.70
		Trash Cans and Chair Mats	<u>\$ 731.94</u>
		TOTAL	\$67,382.14

*Other quotes: State Contract pricing*

Computer Services	<b>Clutch Solutions</b>	(1) VMWare VCenter License	\$ 6,827.00
		(3) HPE X710-DA2 Fibre Channel PCIe	\$ 1,947.00
		(6) Aruba 10G SPF+ DAC Cable 3m	\$ 684.00
		(6) Aruba 10G SPF+ DAC Cable 5m	\$ 912.00
		(1) HPE 5400R z12 Management Module	<u>\$ 2,399.00</u>
		TOTAL	\$12,769.00

*Other quotes: CDW-G \$14,143.42*

## Directors' Report to the PTC Board of Education – November 2023 (Alphabetic by Area)

### Business & Industry Services & Safety

- The BIS team conducted 101 one-on-ones/consults for 137 counseling hours.
- Government Contracting clients won 25 awards, totaling over \$30M.
- The BIS team also logged
  - 905 Safety Contact Hours
  - 861 AT&D/Open Enrollment Contact Hours
  - 993 Customized Contact Hours (Type 31)
- The revenue generated from our Safety training is \$24,630.
- Our BIS classes generated revenues of \$1,085.
- Our AT&D classes generated revenues of \$8,092.
- AT&D offered 13 on-campus classes, classes made 5, classes canceled 8, new classes 5 offered, new classes made 3, fulfilled registrations 143, enrollments in online courses 6.
- Of the 6 on-campus classes starting this month – 2 offer certification.
 

MAT	05
School Bus Drive	08
Total Students	13
- Ben Evans hosted the Executive Board of OkPACE at Pioneer Tech for their Fall Retreat. Brook Lindsay presented to the group on the option for hosting their annual spring conference in Ponca City.
- Ben also went through the Small Business Development Center accreditation process this past month.
- Dawn Brakey attending the Indian Country Business Summit. With the help of PCDA other local businesses in attendance included My Media Matters, Redland Office Solutions, Bowers Trucking and Logistics, Schatz Publications, Absolute Carpet & Tile, and Frontier Electronics.
- In the last few months, Heather has either researched, developed, or taught 25 different programs. She started development of four new topics in October.
- Heather, Brook, Jenn and Molly presented a class on Planners and Productivity.
- Pioneer Tech hosted Leadership Blackwell. The BIS team presented to the group and Janet gave a tour of the incubator. Jenn Miller facilitated the group's team building session.
- The Fall Manager's Tool Belt session wrapped up in October. US Marshal Clayton Johnson was their final speaker.
- Johnny Thornburgh, Kirk Brown, Chuck Rector, Laurence Beliel and Molly Kyler attended the Universal Robotics Road Show. Johnny ended up having a connection bring a laser welder out the following week to do demos for our industry partners.
- Janet Schwabe, Molly Kyler and Traci attended the Oklahoma Academy Town Hall on Housing.
- Molly Kyler also attended the ODCTE Benchmarking trip to Wisconsin with Traci and Kahle. Molly's track included a visit to one of the Racine CareerTech Academies and the i-MET campus for Gateway Technical College.

- The B&I Breakfast focus for October was on our Construction industry. We had 34 participants and 10 specifically from the industry. We shared about the Construction Documents classes we had this semester and the plans for the Plumbing Journeyman Test Prep Course in the spring.
- Janet coordinated a lenders breakfast. She had representation from almost of of our local financial institutions in attendance. She updated them on our business and incubator services and gave them a tour of the spaces we are looking to fill.
- Sylvia Urioste assisted at Ponca Tribe Youth Activity.
- Carl Storm, Markesha Duggan, and Molly Kyler participated in the supervisor training presented by RFR.
- The BIS Team participated in over 30 community activities and/committees in the past month. In addition, they helped with PTC's Sophomore Success event, they attended advisory committee night, and
- Molly participated in Leadership Tonkawa's City Government Day. The class toured the police and fire departments, met at City Hall and got to experience the museum.

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**BIS Events on the horizon...**

11/6-14-Excel 2019-Level 2	11/29-Homemade Food Sales
11/7-8 Media Relations and the Power of Dynamic Speaking	11/30-The Ultimate Christmas Arrangement
11/8-9-CPR and First Aid/AED	12/1-1 Million Cups
11/8-Resin Art(Cutting Board)	12/4-Landlord/Tenant Law
11/8-Grilling in the Kitchen	12/7-Christmas Scones
11/9-Intro to Chat GPT: the AI platform for everyone	12/12-Christmas Wreaths
11/13-14-Cloud-Based QuickBooks	<u>SPRING</u>
11/16-Diabetic Cooking	3/27/2024-5/1/2024-Manufacturing Supervisor Primer
11/17-CMA Continuing Ed	TBD – Conference for Non-Profit Organizations
11/27-CMA-Certified Medication Aide	

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**Communications & Marketing**

- Terri Busch provided New Employee On-Boarding to Lindsey McGee.
- The Team assisted with Sophomore Tours, photos, social media posts, and surveys.
- Terri Busch filmed the 1 Million Cups presentation and added it to Youtube along with other social media.
- Terri Busch sent several different press releases to the newspaper and posted to social media for events and news.
- The C&M Team chatted with Apptegy about new website possibilities.
- The Team assisted with Advisory Night with audio/visual set-up, photos, room set-up, name badges, and created four 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Swag Bag Giveaways.
- The BPOC Graduation was set-up by Facilities/C&M Team. They assisted with program creation livestreaming, audio visual, photos and posted to social media.

- The Practical Nursing Pinning was set-up by Facilities/C&M Team. They livestreamed the event, created the program, created the then and now powerpoint, took photos, assisted with audio/visual, washed tablecloths, and posted all information to social media.
- Angie Ogden, created new design elements for the Winter/Spring AT&D Schedule.
- The C&M Team assisted the United Way team with communication and auction items. They put together a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary goody basket.
- Fall Fest photos were taken by the C&M Team and posted to social media and the lobby displays.
- Terri Busch met with individuals from Finals site to explore new options for our website hosting and design.
- Animoto photo slideshows were created for both the BPOC graduation and the PN Pinning Ceremony by Terri Busch.
- The C&M Team communicated and put together the 50 Thankful Days social media promotion for November. Each day a different employee will focus on what they are thankful for.
- Terri Busch met with the Holiday Market Team to continue the planning for the event on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Angie Ogden created numerous flyers for both BIS and Full-Time programs.
- The C&M Team took photos during Red Ribbon Week and assisted where we could.
- Photos were taken of Blackwell employees with the Blackwell Chamber to promote Pioneer Tech for being chosen as the Blackwell Business of the Month. Social media postings were shared.
- The By the Numbers flyer was updated and a section was redesigned by Angie Ogden.
- Terri Busch attended the OKSPRA meeting in Tulsa at Tulsa Tech.
- Terri Busch attended the Tri-State District Board meeting via zoom.
- Angie Ogden attend the monthly BIS meeting, Terri Busch attended the monthly Instructional Staff meeting.
- The team attended recruitment team meetings to help with Sophomore visits.

### **Instructional Directors / Full Time Programs**

#### **Instructional Directors**

- Dr. Ryan Burkett, Kahle Goff, and Traci Thorpe participated in Cowley College's Health and Human Services Day. During this event, PTC and Cowley College signed an Articulation Agreement allowing student competing PTC's Criminal Justice program the opportunity to earn 9 college credits at Cowley College. Dr. Burkett was instrumental in developing the agreement.
- Kahle Goff, Tucker Hodgson, and Traci Thorpe attended the BPOC Graduation.
- Kendra Knight, Kahle Goff, and Dr. Ryan Burkett, and the Full-Time Programs Instructional Staff participated in the Annual Advisory Committee Night at PTC.
- Kahle Goff participated on the Health Facilitator Interview Committee.
- Kahle Goff and Traci Thorpe participate in a meeting with Nextgen Aviation.
- Kahle Goff, Molly Kyler, and Traci Thorpe participated in the CareerTech Benchmarking Trip to Wisconsin.
- Kendra Knight, Kahle Goff, Janet Schwabe, and Wendy Burg attended the Work Ready Oklahoma Launch Meeting.

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- Kahle Goff attended the North Central Oklahoma Centers for Workforce Excellence meeting.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett, Kendra Knight, and Kahle Goff participated in PTC's Supervisor Training.
- Kahle Goff attended Newkirk Fire Departments Grand Opening.
- Kahle Goff served as the auctioneer for PTC's United Way Fund Raiser.
- Kahle Goff attended Leadership Blackwell's session on United Outreach and toured downtown businesses.
- Kahle Goff, Michelle Tripp, and Traci Thorpe attended the PN Pining Ceremony.
- Kahle Goff and Traci Thorpe met with Shane Dent and Dr. DaLana Hawkins to discuss PTC and POHI enrollment numbers.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett served as the MC for PTC's Virtual Veterans Day Ceremony.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett attended OU's K20 Center Leadership workshop focusing on applying authentic learning strategies and PLC's to implement technology and improve learner engagement.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett and Troy Buller attended the Innovative Learning Institute to support development of a PLC and research instructional strategies.
- Dr. Burkett and committee hosted PTC's annual Fall Fest
- Kahle Goff, Kendra Knight, and Dr. Ryan Burkett assisted with Sophomore tours.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett and Holly Farmer attended the first PowerSchool Users' group with other Career Tech Centers.
- Dr. Ryan Burkett assisted with the United Way Auction and Luncheon preparation

### **Practical Nursing**

October was a busy month for the PN students!

- The Sept 23 cohort and the PN Select students attended the OBN meeting on Oct 4<sup>th</sup>. The students learned about the functions of the board and how it was put in place to protect the public from nursing professionals. The student heard a case on the misuse of narcotics and saw the board's ruling on the discipline of this APRN.
- BLS and clinical orientation were taught to the Sept 23 cohort.
- The PN program had 3 students complete the program and sit for NCLEX. All passed on the first attempt! Congratulations to them!
- Current NCLEX pass rate for the year is 100%.
- The Sept 22 cohort students are busy finishing up preceptorship. Several students are set to complete the program before the end of the year.
- Michelle attended the NOC advisory meeting.
- The PN instructors facilitated instruction of BLS to HCC1.
- Ashley attended the HOSA conference in OKC.
- All five of the PN Select students were selected to be PTC Ambassadors!
- PN Select students are progressing through Fundamentals of Nursing and completing their skills.

### **Health, BITE and Special Programs**

#### Academic Math

- Students are progressing well. Math and Science classes include students from several CT programs.
- Adult medical terminology students are progressing well in both classes: Medical Terminology and A&P.
- We are coming down to less than 25 work days in the Academic Lab for the semester.

#### Teacher Prep

- Heather Smith spoke to our students about communication skills and difficult conversations
- Lori Evans spoke to our students about the NERA program in Ponca City
- Teacher Prep decorated 800 sacks for NERA to use in donating pumpkin pies to their families
- Students visited with Sophomores during the tours
- Talked with several parents at Parent/Teacher Conferences
- We helped decorate the Tower of Terror for the Fall Festival
- Students took the Preschool to Trick or Treat in the building

#### Children's Lab and Preschool

- Kylia Carlson completed the Director's ELLCT
- Lindsey McGee started in the one-year-old room
- We had a dress-up week for Red Ribbon Week
- Completed Fall Parent- Parent-teacher conferences
- we trick-or-treated the hallways of PTC!

#### HCC1

- We just recently finished our unit on Healthcare Provider CPR and First Aid. Everyone is now Certified in CPR by the American Heart Association.
- We are currently working on anatomy and physiology over the Skeletal system and having fun constructing long bones and having relay races to see which team can label the skeleton correctly the fastest.
- We are looking forward to starting medical math and getting to completing our Fire Training to complete our Core Safety Practices curriculum.

#### Medical Services

- Pharmacy Tech students are a month away from completing their clinical requirements to sit for the careertech certification exam. They are schedule to take the exam Dec 4
- MA students are looking forward to learning their skills over the next month. These skills are EKG, pharmacology, and phlebotomy. I will be setting up a phlebotomy clinic soon so students can practice on a "live" person before going to clinicals.
- Will be adding Tonkawa Veterinary Clinic to the clinical rotation. Mrs. Garrison has been in correspondence with Dr. Shuey. She is looking forward to being a clinical site this Spring semester.

#### ABE/HSE

- October Data
  - 124 students enrolled in the ABE and TANF programs
  - 32 new students enrolled in the ABE and TANF programs

- 6 HiSET tests were passed
- 2 students earned a level gain
- 1 student earned their High School Equivalency Diploma
- ABE Staff attended virtual and face-to-face training:
  - AEFL Meeting with Green Country Workforce Board
  - The Correctional Classroom: Cultivate a Culture that Promotes Creativity
  - Burlington English Next Steps for Student Success: Raising the Bar for English Language Learners
  - Supporting Teachers Through Instructional Coaching Webinar
  - Board Meeting with Western Oklahoma Workforce Board
  - Bring Your A Game Anywhere
  - Motivate Educators to Motivate Students
  - Student Engagement from Start to Finish: Strategies for Engaging Students at Every Stage in the Journey
  - Teaching with Burlington Core

#### SHARE

- Two more students complete all their courses for graduation.

#### New Beginning

- We have had 3 new students in October
- 16 students in New Beginning
- 1 student received employment
- 11 students in follow up
- Wendy Burg attended a Child Welfare Advisory Board meeting
- Wendy Burg went to Community Health Meeting and talked some about Work Ready Oklahoma Program.
- Wendy Burg will be the guest speaker for the November meeting and will give more information about WRO
- It appears that we are starting to get more TANF students in the program.

#### BITE

- The Vis Comm students were able to help out Marketing with Fall Fest by creating a video promotion, t-shirt design and flyers posted around the school. They are also taking t-shirt orders from the community.
- 5 students recently participated in the BPA Fall Leadership conference in Norman. The kids are excited to compete this year for a chance at Nationals in Chicago.
- The eSports team has been busy with October matches going 20 and 8 overall in the various games played. They are looking forward to the playoffs in November

#### Biomed

- First year biomed students will be wrapping up the case of Anna Garcia next month by looking at the different aspects of a forensic autopsy.
- Second year students are finishing their overview of bones and joints with a kinesiology taping activity

#### **T&I and Service Programs**

##### Automotive

- Taking first ASE test on Nov 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Field trip to OSU IT on Nov 3.
- Starting Engine Performance on Nov 13.

### Construction

- Cabinet drawer and door making
- Countertops
- Aerial Lift Certification

### Cosmetology

- First-year students have reached the 150-hour mark and can now start taking clients.
- We are working with the business department to host a lash certification class for cosmetologists & students.
- Joico came and taught an intro to hair-color class.

### Criminal Justice

- Students toured the Tonkawa Police Department. Students participated in Sophomore days.
- Students worked in the Ambucs concession stand during the National MotoCross race doing community service.
- CJ Students went to Cowley County Community College for Health and Human Services Day and for the Articulation Agreement signing between Cowley College and Pioneer Technology Center for the Criminal Justice Program.

### Culinary Arts

- Sergeant Grant w/the OK National Guard came as a guest speaker and students had a fun competition with MREs
- Many 1st year students are taking and completing their WorkKeys certification
- Testing our butter candles and french bread for the Holiday Market

### Firefighter/EMT

- FF students are working on perfecting their skills. They take their certification test, skills and live fire eval November 16 and 17.
- As part of the program's community service project, students go bi-monthly to NERA and unload delivery trucks and stock shelves at the food bank.
- EMT students are about a quarter through the curriculum and on schedule.

### Mechatronics

- I passed my Small Engine test thru Career Tech.
- Took entire class (less 5) to High Plains Tech Center for a tour of wind program.
- Made \$140 (or \$180) for our Fun Friday.

### Precision Machining

- Students attended the WITS trade show.
- Afternoon student working on live work part for Newkirk's new safety center.
- Had a good advisory meeting.

### Service Careers

- Students working on Hospitabilities training.
- Students assisting maintenance department with building and grounds while several employees were out on leave.
- Preparing for secondary SkillsUSA fall leadership conference.

### Welding

- We had 6 students pass OKDOL Welder Certification tests.
- We received materials for a covered bench project that we're building in conjunction with CT.
- We are also still working on items for the Holiday Market.

### **Student Services**

### Student Services

- The full team assisted Cortney with Sophomore Success. We tried something different this year and teachers/students seemed to get more out of it and enjoy the day!
- Jayme and I are reviewing attendance and grades with Directors to look at semester possible schedule changes.
- The team assisted with Advisory Night.
- Lori attended the National Drop Out Convention. Meetings were great!
- Helped sponsor NERA open house and supported United Way activities.
- Red Ribbon week activities have concluded.
- Happy Thanksgiving – we are blessed to have such a supportive board!

### Career Center

#### WorkKeys:

- Students completed 86 Assessments during the month of October. Six students earned 1 Bronze, 4 Silver, and 1 Platinum certificate for a total of 6 certificates earned. Ten students have completed the WorkKeys curriculum since the beginning of the school year.

#### Employability Skills:

- All 2nd year students and adults are currently working on completing or updating their resumes. Our topic for the month was work ethic.
- Worked the Kanza Health Fair
- Helped with several mock interviews for Practical Nursing

#### Career Development Facilitator

- Organized and assisted with Sophomore Success Tours
- Explored the Manufacturing Career Cluster with 8th graders
- Explored the Information Technology Career Cluster with 8th graders
- Explored the Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics Career Cluster with 8th Graders

#### Counselor

- Met with students regarding grades and attendance
- Covered Career Center for Denise and Lacey
- Attended PREpARE workshop on school crisis teams

#### Testing Specialist

- The Testing Center had another great month. We proctored 178 exams which brings our fiscal year total to 791. I have been working closely with instructors to ensure we have end of semester assessments.
- We continue to serve the community by offering proctoring services to NOC students, along with individuals requiring testing through PSI, HiSet, PearsonVue, WorkKeys, and Health & Professional Certifications.

#### Disabilities Specialist/Job Placement Facilitator

- Completed all initial IEP/504 meetings, paperwork, and listings.
- Scheduled and met with all instructors to review IEP/504 accommodations and services.
- Met with various students and instructors regarding student progress.
- Met with Rachel Brown, DRS to discuss various opportunities for IEP/504 students.

### **Plant/Facilities/Maintenance**

- Completed LVP flooring project In C102A, C102B, and C108.
- Remodeling the new infant program room in Early Care.
- Fleet staff person is taking his CDL bus driver drive test on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

- Interviewing for evening custodian position.
- Attended the 2023 campus safety & security summit.
- Working on ordering vehicles, locks etc. for the WRO program at City Central building.
- Early Care playground completed, except the small shade base needs to be installed.
- Scheduling the demo of the old cosmetology building.
- Met with the Kay County Emergency Manager to discuss updating the Hazard Mitigation plan for Kay County.
- Attended the PREPaRE safety training.

# **Paperclips**

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## Cowley College signs articulation agreement with Pioneer Tech

Ponca City, OK — Pioneer Technology Center (PTC) signed an exciting new articulation agreement with Cowley College's Criminal Justice Program last week. Cowley and Pioneer Tech began exploring the possibility over a year ago. Both programs are similar and have instructors who have been in the field and have a passion for mak-

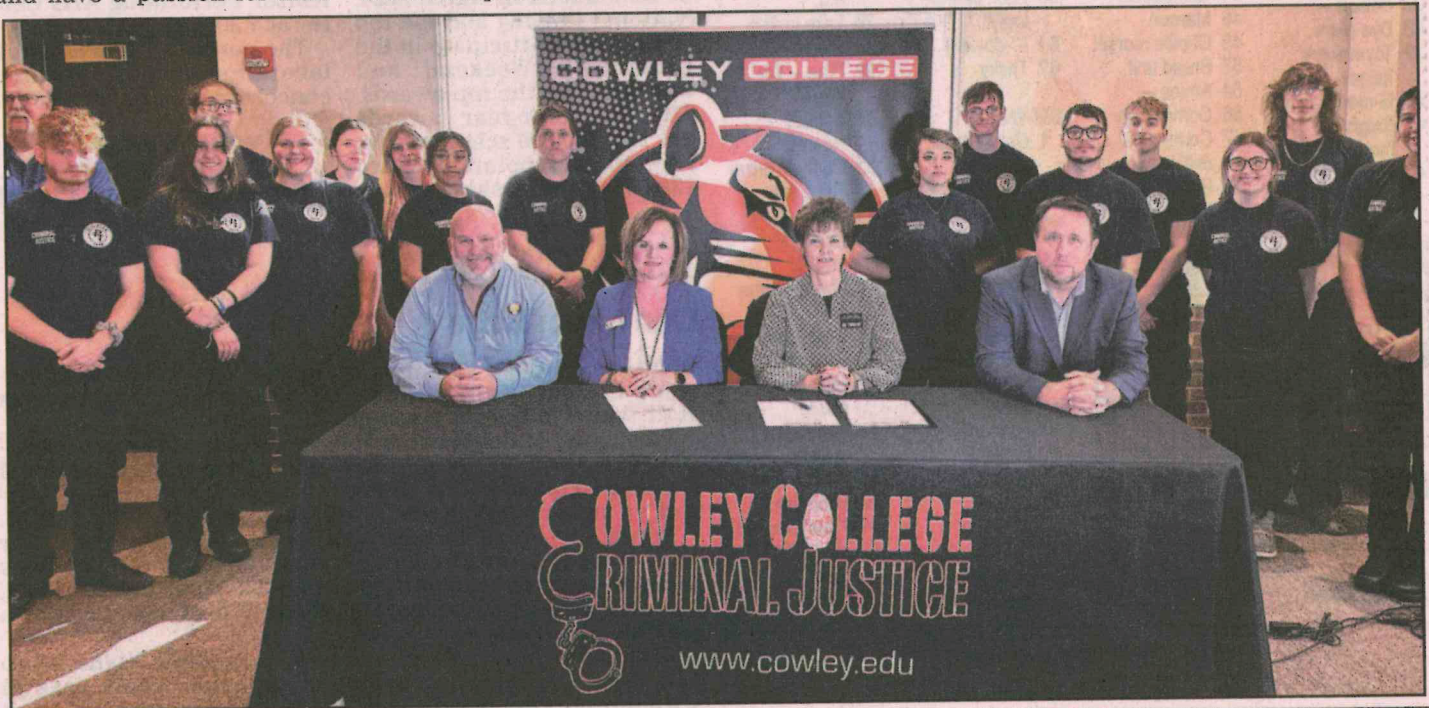
ing the classroom fun. "We are always looking for opportunities for our students to get their next level of education, and we appreciate our partnership with Cowley College and their willingness to create avenues for our students to go to that next level," Pioneer Tech Superintendent/CEO Traci Thorpe said.

Dr. Ryan Burkett, Instructional Director with PTC, and Frank Owens, Director of Criminal Justice with Cowley, were instrumental in developing this partnership.

This articulation allows graduates of Pioneer Tech to transfer to Cowley College with already established benefits between the two institutions but also credits them

with nine additional criminal justice hours, allowing them a potentially faster degree completion and saving money on their education.

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A CHAMBER of Commerce Cash Mob was also held at HoneyBee Boutique, located at 314 E. Grand Avenue, on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 11:30 am. (Photo by Calley Lamar)

# Saturday

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## PTC board member Soulek receives All-State School Board award

### Press Release

PONCA CITY — The Oklahoma State School Board Association recently honored five school board members from across Oklahoma as this year's 2023 All-State School Board, recognizing their outstanding service to their communities, school district and state. JD Soulek, long time board member for Pioneer Technology Center is from Zone 2, which is the area near Blackwell, he is a resident of Nardin.

Soulek's knowledge and experience has been instrumental to the Pioneer Tech Board of Education for 23 years. After joining the board in 2000, Soulek has helped the district through key improvements and opportunities for growth, including the annexation of Woodland Public Schools into the technology center's boundaries in 2005 and the addition of a Health Wing, in 2014, that improved health-related programs for current and future students.

"We are thrilled to celebrate JD Soulek and his recognition as a 2023 OSSBA All-State Board Member," Pioneer Tech Superintendent/CEO Traci Thorpe said. "Pioneer Technology Center is grateful for Mr. Soulek's long-time dedication, leadership and



(Courtesy photo)

commitment to our district. This award is a well-deserved tribute to his efforts as a true champion of education."

Not only has Soulek helped grow the district programs and opportunities for its students but he has assisted with several building and property acquisitions that have allowed programs such as the Truck Driver and Emergency Services Training to expand. An employee at Kay Electric since 1999, Soulek also helped break ground in 2020 on a new westward expansion project that updated the Culinary Arts facilities and brought Cosmetology to the main PTC campus.

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# Cowley, Pioneer Tech partner on criminal justice

## Press Release

The Cowley College criminal justice program is excited to announce a new articulation agreement with Pioneer Technology Center's criminal justice program. Cowley and Pioneer Tech in Ponca City, began exploring the possibility over a year ago. Both programs are similar and have instructors who have been in the field and have a passion for making the classroom fun.

Cowley's vice president of academic affairs, Dr. Rachel Bates, believes this partnership between Cowley College and Pioneer Technology Center is a testament to Cowley's commitment to student success and regional collaboration.

"It not only simplifies the transfer process for Pioneer Tech graduates to Cowley College, but it expedites their degree completion and represents significant cost savings for the student, institutions, and the community," Bates said. "Additionally, it paves the way for additional opportunities for students pursuing careers in criminal justice and strengthens our shared goal of equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to excel in their chosen field. We are excited about the opportunities this partnership will bring and the positive impact it will have on our students, institutions, and the communities we serve."

Many potential transfer students coming through



(Courtesy photo)

Cowley commented on how complimentary the programs were to each other, so it only made sense to seek out some type of partnership.

"We are always looking for opportunities for our students to get their next level of education, and we really appreciate our partnership with Cowley and their willingness to create avenues for our students to go to that next level," Pioneer Tech superintendent Traci Thorpe said.

Pioneer Tech recently started offering CLEET (Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training) classes, which would be the equivalent of the Kansas Academy courses at KLETC (Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center).

Graduates from Pioneer Tech are usually 18 years of age and have to be 21 to take CLEET courses,

so it is imperative to keep prospective students and officers interested, and by coming to Cowley, they can earn a degree and maintain that interest.

This articulation allows graduates of Pioneer Tech to transfer to Cowley with already established benefits between the two institutions but also credits them with nine additional criminal justice hours, allowing them a potentially faster degree completion and save money on their education.

Cowley criminal justice program director Frank Owens was happy to finally be able to get something official established between the two programs.

"Pioneer Tech truly does seem to have similar philosophies and operational standards," Owens said. "I really hope this helps students, especially those wanting to work in Oklahoma, establish a solid pathway enabling them to have a clear path from high school to degree to the workplace."

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JD SOULEK (AT LEFT)

PTC campus.

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Photo Submitted

Pictured above, JD Soulek was recognized by the Oklahoma State School Board Association for his contributions and impact to his area.

## Soulek honored for outstanding service

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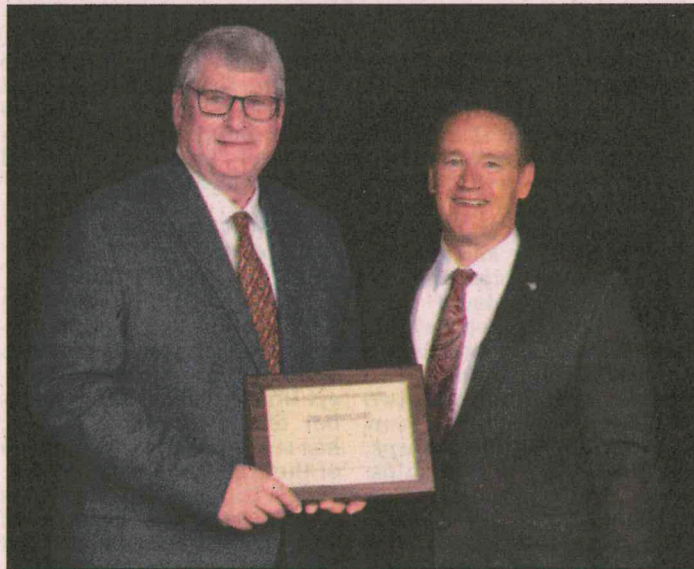
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Pioneer Technology Center, an engaging and supportive workplace providing high quality programs and services, is looking for a **COOK, CULINARY SERVICES (12-month)**.

At Pioneer Technology Center, we are committed to providing our students and clients the services, training, and skills they need with a focus on positive impact for the communities we serve.

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You must be able to work in a team that values people, innovation, character, learning, and economic development. If this is you, and you can prove it, you could be a great fit for our team.

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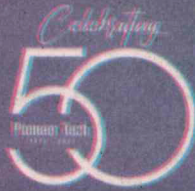
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**BRYCEN HESTER** is the Ponca City Noon Lions Pioneer Technology Center Ambassador September Student of the Month. Hester was chosen as he excels in his academics and has a great work ethic. Pictured from left to right are Brycen Hester and Ponca City Noon Lions Vice President Vickie Dailey. (Photo Provided)

# Friday

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## 1 Million Cups hosts Trailer Butler

By **CALLEY LAMAR**  
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1 Million Cups met for their regular monthly presentation at Pioneer Technology Center (PTC) to listen to a speaker share information about their business on Wednesday, Oct. 4. 1 Million Cups was founded as a way to bring entrepreneurs in front of their communities with other entrepreneurs to share their stories.

This month, Troy Ormonde was the speaker for the event and shared information about his business: Trailer Butler.

Ormonde originally came from Las Vegas, and Trailer Butler came about from Ormonde's on necessity and convenience. While backing up a toy hauler, Ormonde was thinking how much backing a trailer up into a storage facility would be.

"I wondered if there was something out there where you could pull in straight basically with your truck, drop your trailer, then drive your trailer basically to where it needs to be put," said Ormonde. "And I did a quick Google search, and there was nothing on the market at the time for the end consumer, for the average Joe, and I kind of left it at that."

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Ormonde was in the air conditioning, heating, and refrigeration business, and the company he was working for closed their doors during this time. He took this time as an opportunity to look into designing the first prototype for what would become the dolly used by his

business today.

The business was nameless for some time, but Ormonde came up with "Trailer Butler" as a means of explaining how the dolly makes tasks easier.

One of his customers lived in Ponca City and had asked Ormonde about why the lead time was so long.

"I'd never heard of Ponca City, and we had a customer from here who ordered a unit, and we just started talking about why our production times and lead times were long getting it out from the time of order," said Ormonde. "I mentioned we were looking at moving the business, and he brought up that Ponca City was a great manufacturing town, and very business friendly."

Six weeks later, Ormonde had packed up and moved to Ponca City after working with the Ponca City Development Authority (PCDA).

"It say [Ponca City] has been welcoming would be an understatement by a long shot. We have felt very welcomed here both as a business and on the personal side," said Ormonde. "We have zero complaints about the move here. The product just continues to improve with the help of everyone here."

Trailer Butler has a website, trailerbutler.com, that those curious about the product can visit for questions, orders, and a video demonstration of the product in use. The website also has a chat feature to communicate directly. The business' phone hours are 7 am to 4 pm. Trailer Butler also has a Facebook page at Trailer Butler Portable Trailer Dolly.

Following his presentation, Ormonde was presented with an orange cup that is given to speakers for 1 Million Cups.



OCTOBER'S 1 Million Cups event featured Trailer Butler owner Troy Ormonde (right) as speaker. He is pictured with Brook Lindsay (left), who presented Ormonde with a orange cup that is given to speakers at 1 Million Cups events. (Photo by Calley Lamar)

The dolly allows for ease of movement, and can be used to help get a trailer into a tight space and allows for options in positioning a trailer. It also has some anti-theft applications, as you can park a trailer with it's nose in, as opposed to nose out where anyone can hook it up to a truck to move away with it.

"A thing we found with our primary customer base is that a lot of them live in cities where parking is very tight between their house and the property line or the fence line," said Ormonde.

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manager. The Oklahoma CareerTech System's technology centers have offered the program for more than 38 years, first as the Oklahoma Bid Assistance Network and then Oklahoma PTAC, and now Oklahoma APEX Accelerators. The program regularly works with about 1,100 businesses each year.

The Oklahoma Accelerator funds 11 programs with 13 procurement counselors in technology centers across Oklahoma. The 13 counselors assist businesses through one-on-one counseling, training programs and business networking events.

The counselors help businesses find new opportunities to pursue, assist with gaining a competitive advantage, help them be aware of regulatory requirements and help them avoid mistakes that can cost them business. The program also helps government agencies connect with supply chains and helps larger prime contractors find smaller partners to complete complex projects and meet government-required small business subcontracting goals, Knott said. Information about the Oklahoma APEX Accelerator, including locations and contact information, is available at [www.okbid.org](http://www.okbid.org).

# Tuesday

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# State of the City forum held at City Hall

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The first of three fall forums by the Ponca City Chamber of Commerce Ponca Politics Committee was held on Friday, Sept. 29. This forum, held at City Hall, was the State of the City and saw Mayor Homer Nicholson and City Manager Craig Stephenson share updates on Ponca City's various departments and projects with citizens that gathered for the forum. The forum was also streamed live on Facebook, on the Chamber's page for those at home to view the forum.

Mayor Nicholson spoke first with information about the City Commission, the representative body of the people of Ponca City.

The Commission currently consists of Mayor Nicholson, Vice-Mayor Robert Bodick, Paul Taylor, Kelsey Wagner, and Garret Bowers.

Their regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at City Hall, at 5:30 pm. They also meet for work sessions held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 2 pm.

There are several Citizen Advisory Boards that provide opportunities for all citizens to have an active role and voice in municipal government. These boards include Airport, Animal Control, Board of Adjustment, Construction Appeals, Planning, Cultural Affairs, Marland Estate, Historic Preservation, Library, Parks and Recreation, Personnel, Ponca City Development Authority (PCDA), and Ponca City Housing Authority. Applications for these boards are available at [www.poncacityok.gov](http://www.poncacityok.gov), or in the administration office of City Hall.

The Mayor also spoke at length about the Vision 2020 project. In 2005, the Mayor and City Commission created a diverse 31-member Vision 2020 Task Force which identified eleven outcomes including city services, community health and medical services, cultural affairs/historic preservation, the downtown district, education, housing, neigh-

borhoods, public transportation, recreation, tourism, and youth.

The Mayor proceeded to break down



**THE PONCA City Chamber of Commerce Ponca Politics Committee hosted a State of the City forum on Friday, Sept. 29. Pictured left to right are City Manager Craig Stephenson, Ponca Politics Committee Chair Dawn Brakey, and Mayor Homer Nicholson. (Photo by Calley Lamar)**

several ways in which these outcomes have been addressed including the following:

- A Public Safety Center that comprises at two story, 36,000 sq. ft. and a 10,500 sq. ft., 16-bed jail.
- Ponca City Broadband which provides ultra-high speed, 100% fiber optic cable to the home and work.
- Securing Kaw Lake water rights.
- The City amended the Youth Access to Tobacco ordinance to adopt state law and change the age limit from 18 to 21.
- The City Central building which houses PCDA, who supports the business economy and promotes growth within the community. The building also houses City Arts, an organization dedicated to enriching the community's cultural life through promoting, teaching, and nourishing the creation and appreciation of the visual arts.
- The Historic Preservation Advisory panel which advised the Commission on historic preservation, architectural, and archeological resources in the city.
- A Ponca City Utility Authority (PCUA) resolution that established an

annual fund set aside in the amount of \$240,000 specifically to assist downtown property owners who wish to improve their property to make way for a new occupant or change of use that triggers the mandatory installation of a fire suppression system.

- The downtown district has been enhanced with on-going directional signage, lighting, trash receptacle, and sidewalk improvements. And conversion of overhead electric feeders to underground.

- The Police Department maintains two school resource officers, one at the high school, and one serving both middle schools, with existing manpower and Ponca City Public School reimbursement.

- The new Housing Incentive Program provides incentives to developers of projects that result in the new construction or rehabilitation of housing units of all types.

- The number of Code Enforcement Inspector positions has increased from four to five.

- The Northern Oklahoma Regional Animal Care Facility has replaced the Animal Control Center.

- The City of Ponca City Trails Master Plan is used to construct as many trails in Ponca City as possible to ensure those trails are safe and located where they are needed.

- Cimarron Transit/United Community Action Program has an agreement with the city to provide transportation services.

- Ponca City supports the Heartland Flyer connection between Oklahoma City and Newton, Kansas. This connection is a top priority of Amtrak in order to connect the southern portion of the country to the north, and east to west. The Santa Fe Depot is being rehabilitated and repurposed to serve both as a passenger rail depot and a hub for local transit.

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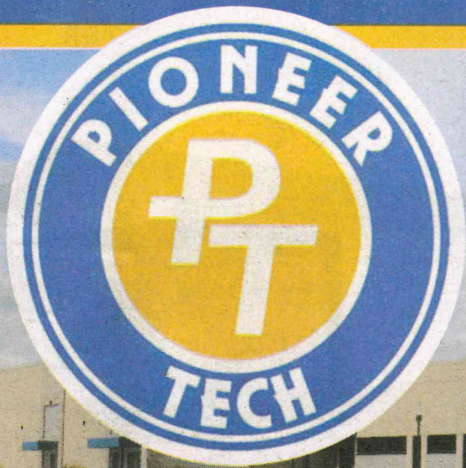
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# Pioneer Technology Center Is Celebrating 50 Years

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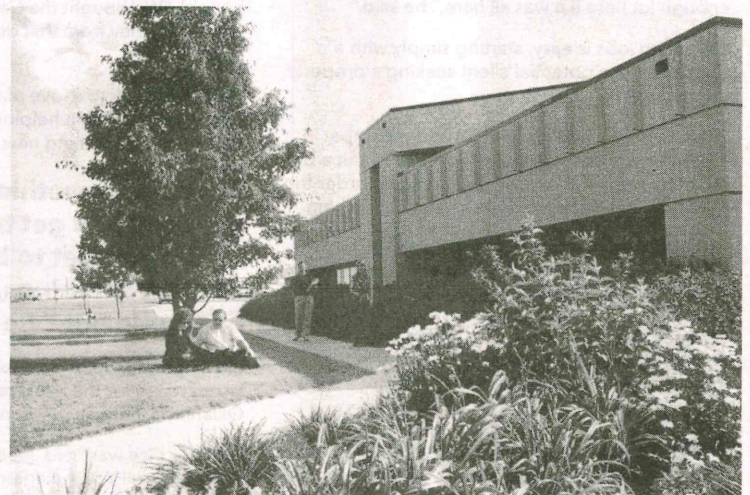
Pioneer Tech is celebrating 50 years of Enhancing Lives and Securing Futures. The vote to establish Pioneer Area Vocational-Technical school was March 9, 1971. Kay County voters showed their enthusiasm for the school with a vote of 1,732 to 239.

Ground was broken at a ceremony on Monday, Nov. 13, 1972, at 10 a.m. Pioneer Technology Center officially opened in August 1974, under the name Pioneer Area Vocational-Technical School District No. 13 with first board of education members Larry Cannon, president; Carl Balcer, member; Ralph Lester, member; and Dr. James Kirk, member. Dr. James Carpenter was the first superintendent for Pioneer Area Vocational-Technical School.

Although the building was not completed, board members voted in January 1973, to proceed on schedule with a proposed Licensed Practical Nursing program for the fall term. A \$40,000 budget was approved and a director was hired. Arrangements were made with Blackwell General Hospital for classes to be held there with on-the-job training to be conducted at both Ponca City Hospital and Blackwell General Hospital.

Substantial completion of the building was recognized in late June 1974, with the board accepting the building July 1, 1974.

An advanced showing of the facility was held on Aug. 22, 1974, at 10 a.m. A full complement of teachers for day classes was hired during the summer months with instructors reporting for duty Aug. 1. School officially began Aug. 26, 1974, although the LPN class had been held at the facility since the July completion. An Open House took place





on Oct. 20, 1974, and the public was able to view the entire facility at that time.

In 1980, Pioneer Area Vo-Tech added 25,000 square feet to its existing 74,500 square feet of floor space. The new addition included five new shop areas and a student break area. Total enrollment for the fall classes at that time was 943 students. Of that number, 444 students were full- or half-time students in day classes and 499 area adults enrolled in part-time (short-term evening classes).

In 1990, Pioneer Technology Center held a groundbreaking for the business assistance center and incubator now known as the Business and Industry Services building. Although some of the programs in the business assistance center were already in place, the business incubator provided an added benefit to area entrepreneurs looking for a place to start. The client-based programs like the small business management, self-employment training and bid assistance program started in 1988 and 1989.

In 2004, Pioneer Tech's Practical Nursing program changed from being Lock-Step to a more flexible Self-Directed learning format, with classes being held Monday through Friday. The program still utilizes this contract-based method of instruction, allowing students to complete the program in 12 to 14 months.

"Pioneer Tech is a special place filled with an incredible group of people who fully

embrace our mission of Enhancing Lives and Securing Futures. We know and can see that our work makes a difference each day. Few things are as gratifying for an educator as hearing from former students about the profound influence you've had on their lives."

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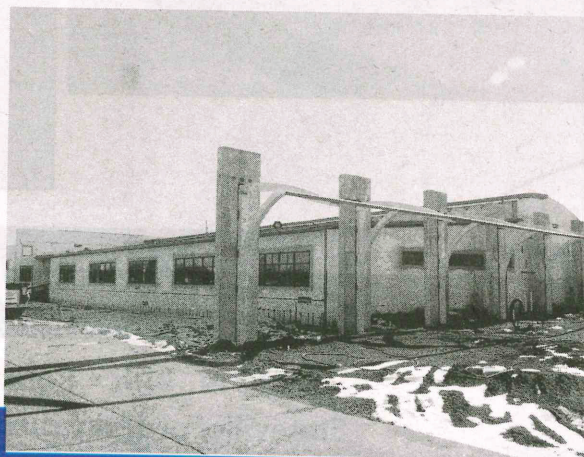
In 2018, the Hartford Avenue property was purchased and began being used for Truck Driver Training. Also, in the summer of 2019, an Emergency Services Training Center was built on the northeast corner of the campus. It opened for training in August of that year.

In June of 2020, PTC broke ground on the

Westward Expansion project. This affected the Culinary Arts and Cosmetology programs. The addition made way for the Conference Center/Safe Room to house graduations and provide safety during severe weather.

"I am immensely proud of Pioneer Technology Center and the achievements we've attained over the last five decades. We have had the opportunity to provide education, training and resources within the region and have supported economic growth and development in the communities we serve. The diverse range of programs we provide evolves as business and industry respond to change within their fields, and the feedback we receive from our stakeholders, partners, clients and students is the driver for our innovation and change. We are looking forward to the future of PTC and continuing to provide a positive impact within North Central Oklahoma," remarked Traci Thorpe, Pioneer Technology Center Superintendent.

Today, approximately 500 students attend Pioneer Technology Center in full-time programs each year. Also, over 8,000 individuals take advantage of our Adult Training and Development courses and/or business and industry services training programs annually. The school employs 100 full-time employees and many short-term instructors. For more information about their 50th year, visit [pioneertech.edu](http://pioneertech.edu)



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## Meetings and Activities

- **October**– 11 – Cowley County MOU signing for articulation with Criminal Justice degree; After board meeting report to staff; OSU/PTC Civil Study meeting
- 12 – PREPaRE Workshop – SDE provided crisis prevention and planning workshop for area schools provided at PTC.
- 16 – Interim study – Concurrent Enrollment, Interim study - OK Promise
- 17 – Interim study – Higher Education/CTE – Capital Needs for Rural Colleges and Universities; September/October birthday luncheon with staff; Interim study – Outcomes-based Community College/Workforce Funding; Wisconsin Benchmarking Pre-Trip meeting; OK CTE Economic Study Zoom meeting; OSSBA Region 3 Meeting @ Autry
- 18 – CTE Legislative Sub-Committee – Graduation Requirements
- 19 – RCB Bank Community Advisory Board meeting; Nextgen Aviation meeting; OSU Senior Design Civil Study meeting
- 20 – CTE Superintendent Zoom; PTC Family Movie Night
- 22-25 – Oklahoma CTE Superintendents' Benchmarking Trip – Kenosha, WI
- 26 – Blackwell Business of the Month presentation to PTC; Ambucs presentation; WRO Launch Meeting @ PTC
- 27 – B&I Breakfast – Construction Trades sector; PC Chamber State of the Schools presentation; WRO Launch meeting at PTC; BPOC Graduation
- 30 – PTC Supervisor training with RFR, Bo Rainey, attorney, provided information for PTC supervisors related to supervision and management of staff; Oklahoma Town Hall Academy @ Tulsa
- 31 – Oklahoma Town Hall Academy – this year's topic was the Oklahoma housing crisis and recommendations to impact the critical shortage across the state
- **November** 1 – 1Million Cups with 2 Guys and a Water Gun; OASA Region 4/PTC Area Superintendent meeting; PTC United Way Auction/Pile-On; ONG Property Discussion; CareerTech Foundation Board Meeting Zoom
- 2 – Kay County Hazard Mitigation meeting with new Kay Co. Emergency Manager, Daniel Hesson (a former SHARE student), to discuss the county Emergency Management Plan and updates; 2<sup>nd</sup> Interview- Health Facilitator; 2<sup>nd</sup> Interview – Safety Instructor; Advisory Committee Night Banquet
- 3 – NCOCWE – Legislative Luncheon; PN Pinning Ceremony
- 6 – Admin Team meeting; Instructional Staff meeting; PTC Capital Planning meeting; PTC Recruitment/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Days meeting
- 7 – Campus Safety and Security Summit @ UCO
- 8 – CTE Economic Impact Study meeting
- 9 - PoHi Enrollment Discussion with HS Principal Shane Dent and Dr. Dalana Hawkins, Associate Director of Secondary Curriculum; CareerTech Administrative Council Zoom meeting – Wisconsin Benchmarking Trip panel discussion
- 13 – Interim Study – Innovative Economy; Interim Study – Improve Ok's Workforce Participation Rate; PTC Special Board meetings

## Full-Time Programs

- Abi Cathey, a former PTC welding student who is now employed at CME, has been selected to be interviewed by Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell in his second series about CTE in Oklahoma.
- PTC hosted its Advisory Committee Night on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 140 individuals participated in the evening's committee discussions.
- Rodrigo Navarro, an Automotive student, participating on the PTC E-Sports team will be moving on to the State Smash Brothers Tournament in Weatherford on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Business and Industry Services

- We hosted the September B&I Breakfast with the focus group for Construction Trades. We hosted 32 for the breakfast. We were joined by Joe Steele, from Meridian Technology Center, who shared about the internship and apprenticeship programs they have implemented to meeting industry needs in their area. The discussion focused on opportunities to engage not only high school students but also adults in career pathways into local industry.
- PTC hosted the quarterly North Central Oklahoma Center for Workforce Excellence meeting with our area legislators. We were joined by Senator Bill Coleman and Representative Ken Luttrell as well as field representatives from the offices of Congressmen Lucas and Lankford. Discussion was held on a variety of topics and provided excellent conversation for our legislators to consider as the next legislative session approaches.

## Capital Planning

We have wrapped up most of the HVAC graphics communication issues, but the DOAS unit is still needing some adjustment to display on the monitoring software system. The leaks in the ceiling of the Mani/Pedi room and Conference Center did not have any issues with the last big rain, so we feel those have been addressed. SWG returned to replace the malfunction exterior lights and found an additional with a pending issue. They have removed it and sent to the vendor for replacement and will return to install when received. PEC will be scheduling a meeting with PTC and the architect to finalize discussion the B131 HVAC revision.

I met with a representative from One Gas (ONG) about their fenced property adjacent and to the north of PTC's main parking lot. I asked them what they were planning for that fenced area and if they would be interested in selling a portion of it. They indicated an interest and sent a representative to the site to look at it with us. He will be communicating with their leadership and will let us know what the next steps might be to consider a purchase of some of the property. The area in question is appealing as it is directly beside our north lot and is mostly out of the flood zone.

## Retirements/Resignations/Staff Changes

- We are scheduling interviews for the new Children's Lab position approved with the opening of an infant program and the part-time floater in the center.

## Upcoming Events

- November 14-15 – CTE Superintendent meeting at Great Plains, Lawton.
- November 20-25 – Thanksgiving Holiday – Campus Closed
- December 7-8 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Days at PTC
- December 15 – PTC Christmas Party

## **PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2024**

ALL MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER, SEMINAR CENTER WEST, AT 2101 NORTH ASH, PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA AT 6:00 P.M. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

January 9, 2024

February 13, 2024

March 12, 2024

April 9, 2024

May 14, 2024

June 11, 2024

July 16, 2024 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday)

August 13, 2024

September 10, 2024

October 8, 2024

November 12, 2024

December 10, 2024

**PIONEER TECHNOLOGY CENTER**  
**Part-Time & Temporary Employment Contracts and/or Addenda to Contracts**  
**November 13, 2023 FY 2023/2024**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Class Taught</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Contract amount</u>
Brittany Acklin	Intro to Product Photography	10/16 – 10/25 (12 hrs)	300.00
Kyle Batson	P66 Contractor Safety Orientation	09/23 – 10/01 (36.5 hrs)	912.50
Mike Boon	Turnpike Curriculum Update	10/12 (10 hrs)	400.00
Gail Boswell	P66 Contractor Safety Orientation	09/23 – 10/01 (23 hrs)	575.00
Carol Bottoms	ABE/TANF Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (42 hrs)	1,050.00
Vicki Braden	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (21 hrs)	546.00
Christina Chapman	ABE/TANF Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (21 hrs)	525.00
Aimee Clark	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (10.5 hrs)	262.50
Joella Francis	Skills Check-off	09/20 – 10/19 (22.5 hrs)	675.00
Joella Francis	CSO Skills Check-off	10/26 – 11/20 (9 hrs)	270.00
Jackson Gallagher	Halloween Things Culinary Asst.	10/26 (4.5 hrs)	67.50
Larry Godley	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (32 hrs)	960.00
Elaine Harman	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (24.5 hrs)	612.50
Elaine Harman	ABE/TANF Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (14 hrs)	350.00
Tonya Jackson	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (38.5 hrs)	1,001.00
Aletha Kearney	Halloween Things Instructor	10/26 (4.5 hrs)	135.00
Julie Lawrence	ABE/Corrections Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (11 hrs)	275.00
Allyson Leonard	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (20 hrs)	500.00
Steven Long	Paramedic Skills	09/22 – 10/10 (14.5 hrs)	362.50
John Munger	School Bus Driving Instructor	10/23 – 11/13 (40 hrs)	1,200.00
Joni Murphy	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (16 hrs)	400.00
Eric Payne	School Bus Driving Instructor	10/23 – 11/03 (40 hrs)	1,000.00
Eric Payne	Heavy Equipment Basic Operations	11/13 – 11/17 (40 hrs)	1,200.00
Pam Powers	ABE/TANF Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (21 hrs)	525.00
Pam Powers	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (35 hrs)	875.00
Kristi Reed	CNA Class	09/25 – 10/17 (95.5 hrs)	2,196.50
Kristi Reed	MAT Full Course	10/23 – 10/24 (16 hrs)	368.00
Jeremy Sackett	Excel 2019 Level I	10/09 – 10/17 (10 hrs)	250.00
Jeremy Sackett	Excel Level 2	11/06 – 11/14 (12 hrs)	300.00
Mary Lou Schaefer	Class Review	10/01 – 10/31 (4 hrs)	100.00
Rebecca Stephens	ABE/HSE Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (49 hrs)	1,225.00
Rebecca Stephens	ABE/TANF Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (14 hrs)	350.00
Carl Storm	P66 Contractor Safety Orientation	09/23 – 10/01 (25 hrs)	625.00
Mary Ann Sudbury	ABE/Corrections Instructor	11/01 – 11/30 (8 hrs)	200.00
Sylvia Urioste	P66 Contractor Safety Orientation	09/23 – 10/01 (3 hrs)	75.00