

JOINT EDUCATION AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOEL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2022 | 1:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

COUNCILOR J.T. MOORE, COMMITTEE CHAIR
COUNCILORS DARRELL O'QUINN & CLINTON WOODS, MEMBERS

Councilor(s) Present: Moore, O'Quinn

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Councilor Moore.

II. INVOCATION

Councilor Moore opened the Meeting with Prayer.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES – January 25, 2022
AGENDA**

Action Taken:

Councilor O'Quinn Motioned to Approve the Agenda.

Councilor Moore Seconded the Motion.

The Agenda was Approved as Presented.

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Action Taken:

Councilor O'Quinn Motioned to Approve the Minutes.

Councilor Moore Seconded the Motion.

The January 25, 2022 Minutes were Approved as Recorded.

IV. PRESENTATION – Career Technical Education

a. Electrical/Welding Technical Instructors – Matthew Dudley, Cory Jackson

Introductions:

Mathew Dudley, Director, Birmingham Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (BEJATC)

Bill Blackman, Business Manager, IBW, Local 136, Birmingham, AL.

Cory Jackson, Assistant Director, Birmingham Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (BEJATC)

BEJATC is a training center for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), and represents the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA).

- Website for additional information: bejtc.org
- The BEJATC combines classroom study and on the job training to create skilled tradesmen that have spent five years serving an apprenticeship under qualified journeyman electricians.
- Individuals can enroll in the program at any time after high school and can become a journeyman within five years.
- BEJCTA currently represents 200 apprentices going through their program.
- This is a 5-year training apprentice program.
- Classes are held one night per week.
- Minimum qualifications for the program:
 - Must be at least 18 years of age
 - Need basic math skills

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- High school graduate or GED
- A valid driver's license
- An aptitude test will be administered
- This is a tuition-free program.
- Students are only responsible for purchasing their books (\$500.00)

b. **SMART Technical Instructor – Joshua Hunter**

Introductions:

Daniel Walton, SMART Local 48 – Sheet | Metal | Air | Rail | Transportation

Joshua Hunter, Business Manager, SMART Local 48

- This is an Apprenticeship Training program approved and supervised by the program sponsor and the US Department of Labor Bureau of Apprenticeship.
- The programs consist of a combination of both classroom and on the job training.
- The apprenticeship program currently covers 60 members, with Birmingham being one of their largest jurisdictions.
- This is a four-year apprentice program.
- The program offers a myriad of training opportunities, including an indoor air quality technician.
- The indoor air quality technician is one of the more popular training initiatives.
- The indoor air quality technician goes in and evaluates the ventilation/air quality system to increase the air quality.
- Classes are mostly online to allow students to train at their own pace.
- Interested individuals must be at least 18 years of age.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Announce vacancies of the Youth Advisory Commission**

a. **Information:**

- There are currently six vacancies/four-year terms on the Youth Advisory Commission.

b. **Requirements:**

- Must be a resident of the city of Birmingham.

c. **Duties:**

- Responsible for conducting a comprehensive need assessment of youth programs.
- Responsible for reviewing all programs that are youth oriented that receive or request City funding/support.
- Find ways to better coordinate the programs in order to optimize youth opportunities.
- Implementation of a challenge grant program to encourage creative and/or innovative community youth programs

Apply at <https://www.birminghamal.gov/boards-and-agencies> - Youth Advisory Commission

VI. **BIRMINGHAM CITY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Birmingham Board of Education will have a regular work session at 5:30 p.m. | Tuesday, February 22, 2022 | Central Office Auditorium | 2015 Park Place North, Birmingham, AL 35203.

- The meeting can also be viewed live stream at livestream.com/BCS.
- Masks are required inside the building.
- A copy of COVID-19 protocol will be in place.
- A copy of the agenda will be posted when available.

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Councilor O'Quinn announced that ALDOT will be hosting a public input meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 | Social Venture, Woodlawn | 5500 block of 1st Avenue South | 4-6 p.m., regarding their desire to close the 130B exit on I-20.

- This will be considered in order to provide an additional lane for traffic eastbound on I-20.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor O'Quinn Motioned to Adjourn.

Councilor Moore Seconded the Motion.

The Meeting was Adjourned.