PAC mandate:

To determine the qualifications and experience required for certification in the designated trades;
To recommend upgrading standards and the endorsement of qualification for people who meet the required standards and;

To provide input into the content of regulations made or proposed to the trades.

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WELDER PROVINCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD ON			
DATE:	January 05, 2016		
TIME:	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.		
PLACE:	111 Lombard Ave. Winnipeg Manitoba		

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WELDER PAC

PAC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	REPRESENTATION	VOTING STATUS
Norman Cetkovski	Chair	Non-voting
Ted Stark	Employee/Vice-Chair	V
Darrel Thiessen	Employer	V
John Fraser	Employee	V

GUESTS

STAFF

Lori Darragh, Policy Analyst (PA)

Janice Peters, Apprenticeship and Certification Board Coordinator



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16.01.01 Standing Items		·
1. Call to order	The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.	Closed.
2. Approval of Agenda	MOTION #1: The PAC motioned to approve the agenda as written.	Closed.
	M: Ted Stark S: John Fraser Carried.	
3. December 11, 2015 Record of Decisions	MOTION #2: To approve the Welder December 11, 2015 Record of Decisions as written.	Closed.
	M: John Fraser S: Ted Stark Carried.	
16.01.02 Program Standar	'ds	
1. Update Trade Regulation Staff: Lori Darragh	The PAC reconvened the meeting to revisit Section Four (Minimum Wage Rates) of the proposed Welder Trade Regulation.	Closed.
	Apprenticeship Manitoba staff advised that inserting a clause that would prevent apprentice wages from rising above a certain amount would not comply with a Board policy that aims to standardize wage rates language in all trade regulations.	
	A member raised concerns regarding the possibility of major increases to the reference wage (provincial minimum wage) occurring in the future, affecting the minimum wage rates for Welder apprentices.	
Walder BAG	The members discussed the various wage rate options and determined to increase the wages to: 125% of the provincial minimum wage rate in the first level (increase from 120%); 145% of the provincial minimum wage rate in the second level (increase from 140%); and 165% of the provincial minimum wage rate in the third level (increase from 160%).	



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	MOTION #3: The PAC approves Section Four of the Proposed Regulation, as amended. M: Ted Stark S: John Friesen 2 All in favour 1 Opposed 0 Abstained Carried. The PAC revisited Section Eight (Coming Into Force) in the regulation and determined a 90-day transition/coming into force period would be sufficient.	Closed.	
	MOTION #4: The PAC approves Section Eight of the Proposed Regulation, as worded. M: Ted Stark S: John Fraser Carried.	Closed.	
2. Review Consultation Process Staff: Lori Darragh	According to <i>The Apprenticeship & Certification Act</i> , the PACs must consult with industry regarding the changes to the program standards. The suggested revisions will be incorporated into the draft Consultation Discussion Guide. Once the PAC approves the Consultation Discussion Guide, the document will be circulated to industry. After the consultation period is closed, the PAC will meet to review industry comments and discuss final recommendations to the Program Standards Standing Committee.	BringFwd.	
16.01.03 New Business			
	No new business.	Closed.	



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16.01.04	Future Items		
		The next meeting scheduled for to be determined.	Open
		Future items: Review draft consultation guide Review comments from industry stakeholders Recommendations to PSSC	BringFwd.
16.01.05	Adjournment	MOTION 11: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:04 p.m.	Closed.