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AUTHORITY TO APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE OFFICE OF DEGREE AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW LOCATION FOR THE FOLLOWING DEGREE PROGRAM: TECHNICAL STUDIES

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REPORT:

The application is a request to add a new location for an existing AAS degree in Technical Studies. The existing program was originally approved through the PCC process and the State Board of Education for Klamath Community College in 1998, at which time, Klamath Community College was contracted to PCC. The proposed program is intended to expand educational opportunities by providing flexibility for students to earn individualized professional technical degrees to support the need for some students to acquire a diverse professional technical background of study and design a career pathway.

The proposed course of study will include a core in General Education consisting of 47 credits and 43 from two or more professional technical programs. The process includes that the student establish an advisory panel to include faculty and industry professionals to assist with the plan. The student submits a proposal stating why the Technical Studies degree meets a particular career need/pathway. Current labor market information and plans for advanced study are also included with the plan. The panel also judges mid-term progress, provides advisement for adjustments within the course of study, and designs performance-based assessments based on industry expectations.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the college be authorized to submit a request to the State Board of Education for a new location for the AAS in Technical Studies to include Portland Community College, Tillamook Community College and Columbia Gorge Community College.

Director Palmer moved to approve Resolutions 03-036 through 03-039 and Resolutions 03-042 through 03-045. It passed unanimously.