

**CACTA Business Meeting
CACTA Mid-Winter Conference
February 7, 2020**

The **CACTA Board mission**...shall be to promote professional leadership development of members to ensure career and technical education within the education systems of Colorado will meet the continually changing education and training needs of students and business/industry.

The **CACTA Board vision** is to energize and communicate the passion and value of Career and Technical Education (CTE) throughout our communities.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Scanned sign-in sheet attached.

CALL TO ORDER:

CACTA Board Chair Tammy Ward called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was reviewed and Troy Bowling made the motion to approve the agenda. Kolleen Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The October 3, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed and Kristin Weaver made the motion to approve the minutes. Mimi Leonard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SECRETARY REPORT:

No report.

TREASURY REPORT:

The checking account balance: \$9,049.89

The savings account balance: \$37,915.86

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Audit Budget – Kristi Weaver

The September 2019 audit went well. No findings.

Awards/Archives/Nominations: Mimi Leonard

Mimi reminded everyone to continue thinking about nominees for the next conference: retirees, potential Friends of CACTA, emerging leaders. She thanked everyone for submitting nominations.

Communication Committee: Janet Renden

Nothing to report.

Constitution/Bylaws and Resolutions: Rebecca Morlan

Rebecca provided an update on progress made to update the CACTA bylaws and which will mirror the ACTE bylaws. The draft CACTA bylaws will be presented at the April 2020 CACTA meeting.

Legislative: Mimi Leonard

Legislative updates are posted on the CACTE website: <http://www.cacte.org/home/advocacy/most-recent-legislative-session/>

National ACTE: House Democrats Unveil Infrastructure Investment Framework:

<https://ctepolicywatch.acteonline.org/2020/02/house-democrats-unveil-infrastructure-investment-framework.html>

New Data on Certificates and Associate Degrees

The strong linkage to careers makes employment outcomes from certificates and associate degrees critical measures of success. Researchers found that earnings from associate degrees and certificates are extremely dependent on the field of study, and there was wide variation depending on career area. In addition, in line with previous research, this study showed that future earnings for some of these fields of study are more lucrative than for those requiring a bachelor's degree.

Membership: Janet Renden

Nothing to report.

Program of Work: Tammy Ward

Tammy discussed and encouraged continued efforts to expand committees, made a point about the possibility of two people on the Awards Committee now that Mimi is retiring.

Tammy got good response to a recent poll asking for feedback on the vision for the CACTA Board and Task Force. Feedback included:

- Board meetings could focus more on professional development; conference planning, and committee work whereas the Task Force could focus more on updates and reports
- More written documentation along with better definition of roles for the Executive Team – use CACTE manual as a model
- Division meeting should be early in CACTE conference instead of end
- Have more industry partners in Division meetings
- Develop mentoring program for new CTE administrators
- Outreach to all CTE administrators to explain what CACTA is
- More professional development with CTE administrators
- CACTE may need a liaison with Dept of Corrections

Social/Exhibits: Gil Thompson

Gil reported the process went very smoothly this year.

LIAISON REPORTS

Hotel Logistics: Tenia McConnell

Three more years in Loveland until 2024.

ATC: Linda Van Doren

ATC schools asked for \$4M grant for capital projects and got 75% funding.

Tech College of the Rockies: (updates from Facebook)

- TCR will see changes in leadership as Mike is off to Tennessee this summer. Congrats, Mike!
- TCR is launching an EMT IV program starting in 2 weeks.
- TCR will be launching a firefighter program in the fall.
- New online CNA program began.

Pickens: (update from Teina)

- Had some great press in the Sentinel for CTE month
- We are participating in an 8th Grade Career Trek event that all APS 8th graders will participate in over 3 days. PTC students and staff will interact with the students to encourage future attendance at PTC.
- Working with the Joint Budget Committee on capital construction funding for the 3 Area Technical Colleges. Each institution proposed projects to be funded due to not being inside any formula that provided this type of funding
- Pickens Annual Career Fair coming up in April. Last year we hosted over 70 businesses. Many students interviewed and were hired on the spot. Hoping to exceed last year
- New Alumni Association. Working on developing a platform for alumni to come in as guest speakers, be success stories, fund raising, and marketing
- Hosting 100+ 9th graders for a week of immersion in programs as an intensive to help them prepare for future CTE engagement, program recruitment, and exploration opportunities
- Hosted 70+ APS K12 counselors for an appreciation breakfast to continue to develop partnerships and an understanding of Pickens programing and student placement....ongoing work
- Prepping for our school accreditation visit September 2020 with the Council of Occupational Education.
- Other accreditations in progress: ACEN, ASE, NATEF
- Pickens was featured on 9News in November showcasing our school, programs, and students
- Pickens participated in the CEO Action for Diversity Pledge on January 31.
- Beginning to have conversations with CDHE/CDE on Healthcare Apprenticeship Collaboration

Emily Griffith: (update from Linda)

- Six months of Stephanie (new ED) being at EGTC - we're rolling out our refreshed strategic plan throughout February
- We hired a VP of IT and a VP of Marketing and Engagement to build out these departments and support our refreshed vision
- Three new CTE programs beginning in the fall - Construction Essentials, Web Development, and Cyber Security.
- Strengthening partnership with DPS through shared resource in Curriculum Development and program alignment

- Working toward getting CODA accreditation for our Dental Assisting program - had a great site visit at Pickens with their Dental Program
- Before the winter break, we hosted our IGNITE: Women in Trades event and had nearly 100 participants. 8 students got scholarships into Trades programs as a result
- Our non-credit construction program got a new home - great facility in RiNo. We're in our 2nd cohort in the new facility, and close to 100 students have come through so far.
- Bringing on more apprenticeship partners: carpenters, Techtonic, others in the pipeline
- Developing faculty induction program
- Developing SAI for adult and English language learners as pre-req and co-req for CTE in partnership with CDE

CCCS: Sarah Heath

Sara Butler is now the CTE Operations Manager and the main point of CTE communication and distribution. She will maintain the state CTE website and the general mailbox: CTE@CCCS.edu. Through Sara, CTE will be more strategic and consistent with messaging. Sara will send following forms, reminders, templates and other documents necessary for moving forward with Perkins V.

Sarah reminded everyone about the April 1, 2021 deadline for Secondary program approval submission, HOWEVER, for Perkins grant eligibility, program approvals MUST be submitted prior to grant application.

Secondary Education: Roxie Aldaz

Since last October there has been some stress reduced with the talk of sharing courses so programs especially in smaller districts can meet the two-year requirement. There is some added stress around the April to June timeline to get programs updated and looking for more clarification around the timeline.

There have been some questions around the passing of SB 19-176 EXPANDING CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES and how it will change what secondary schools are already doing? There has been some excitement around community colleges offering teacher education programs to help with the teacher shortage and allowing high school students to be included in those programs.

There has also been some talk that we are going to be able to get teachers credentialed even though they do not have a bachelor's degree and wondering the status of that decision amongst CDE, CDHE, and CCCS? Along with the push in Colorado to raise teacher pay, there seems to be a push to pay Special Education Teachers additional pay; can we begin to talk about getting CTE Credentialed teachers extra pay as well? CMC may be launching a new teacher programs to help w teacher shortage, and Sarah Heath discussed how local control may dictate teacher credentials. Sarah did point out that post-secondary credentials are not this flexible and must adhere to post-secondary credentialing.

Community College: Vicki Bobo

Arapahoe Community College (ACC) is launching its first property management apprenticeship in US this winter/spring in partnership with the Apartment Association of Metro Denver.

ACC is expanding apprenticeships in health to Medical Lab Technology this fall 2020 with Centura. The college launched its 4th apprenticeship cohort in Medical Assisting with Centura in January 2020.

The ACC Sturm Collaboration Campus, in partnership with Colorado State University, Arapahoe/Douglas

County Works, Castle Rock Economic Development, Douglas County School District, and local industry opened in August of 2019, and it is enrolling almost 800 students for spring of 2020 in pathways for health, business, or technology.

The ACC Foundation received over \$750k of cash contributions from Centura Health and Schomp Automotive.

Pikes Peak Community College (PPCC) is expanding significantly in many areas, including CTE, through new buildings and programs, as well as other initiatives to promote access. Some of the specific highlights of PPCC initiatives include:

- PPCC Offers free tuition for Harrison District high school grads:
<https://www.ppcc.edu/about/news/articles/ppcc-offers-free-tuition-harrison-district-high-school-grads>
- PPCC opened a new building, the Center for Healthcare Simulation, Fall 2019:
https://gazette.com/news/moaning-hemorrhaging-manikins-help-students-learn-at-ppcc-s-new/article_dca14f36-d65d-11e9-91e1-c30d5e8feb56.html
- PPCC Connects People to Auto Industry Jobs and Cool Cars:
<https://www.ppcc.edu/about/news/articles/ppcc-connects-people-auto-industry-jobs-and-cool-cars>
- PPCC offers its students alternatives to expensive text books (OER):
<https://www.ppcc.edu/about/news/articles/ppcc-offers-its-students-alternatives-expensive-text-books>
- PPCC set to open Studio West that will house black box theatre, dance rehearsal and performance space and an expanded art gallery: <https://www.csbj.com/2019/01/09/pikes-peak-community-college-plans-major-campus-expansions/>
- PPCC leasing new Technical Education Center that will house advanced manufacturing programs to allow for growth and expansion: <https://www.ppcc.edu/about/news/articles/ppcc-plans-expand-health-technical-and-arts-spaces>

CACTE Board: Debbie Nelson

- 2020 Grand Junction, July 19-23, 2020
- 2021 Loveland Embassy Suites, July 18-22
- 2022 Beaver Run Resort, Breckenridge, July 17-21
- 2023 Loveland Embassy Suites, July 16-20
- 2024 TBD - somewhere “out” in the state - probably Pueblo
- 2025 Loveland Embassy Suites, July 20-24 – will negotiate contract this fall

Web Liaison: Shelley Goerd

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Feedback from 2020 Mid-Winter Conference

- CACTA evaluations will be sent out today.
- Overall, good conference. Cheese was a hit!
- Some comments about audience behavior during this conference – conversations were a little mean spirited – someone recommended starting the CACTE conference with a mindfulness exercise

Suggestions for CACTA Division Day

Notecards were distributed to everyone for Division Day topic recommendations. Sarah Heath mentioned that CCCS will offer an Open Lab during entire conference to help with program approval submissions and Division Day may feel more like a workshop. Beer and wine tours are being organized for CACTE attendees.

OFFICER ELECTIONS:

President Elect

Paula Herman was d by Teina McConnell and seconded by Troy Bowling.
Paula accepted the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously.

Secretary

Laurie Kissman was nominated by Andrea Bolton, and seconded by Sarah Heath.
Laurie accepted the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously

Treasurer

Jessica Bright was nominated by Mimi Leonard and seconded by Jay Moore.
Jessica accepts accepted the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT