

**Central Region PACTA
Minutes of September 28, 2018**

The Central Region PACTA meeting was held Friday, September 28, 2018 at the Dauphin County Technical School, Harrisburg, PA.

The following people were in attendance: Sandy Traynor, Al Parrillo, Daniel Potutschnig, Erik Damgaard, Lee Burket, Cynthia Pellock, Dave Curry, Eric Butler, Carol Adukaitis, Sharon Perry, Peggy Grimm, Scott Rogers, Jen Hain, Justin Bruhn.

President Jen Hain called the meeting to order at 8:32am.

The March 2, 2018 minutes reviewed and there were no revisions.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Justin Bruhn presented the Treasurer's Report. Since the last meeting, there were no deposits. The summer golf tournament was cancelled due to weather so there was no revenue. Payments of \$1548.90 and \$951.10 were made to York County School of Technology and Dauphin County Technical School towards to attendance of S. Rogers, D. Thomas, and P. Grimm to the National Policy Seminar. The balance as September 28, 2018 is \$6976.99.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Peggy Grimm and Scott Rogers described training and activities associated with the National Policy Seminar. They encouraged other members to attend future events and reported that CTE has broad national support.
- Future Ready Index Resource Sharing
 - Dr. Grimm shared information about their virtual tour development and expected usage for elementary and middle school students. She also described collaborations within the CAIU region on job shadows, internships, and other experiential learning.
 - Jen Hain described the PATH to Careers

NEW BUSINESS:

- The National Policy Seminar will be held March 25-27. Scott Rodger moved, seconded by Eric Butler, to spend up to \$2500 towards member attendance. The motion passed by unanimous consent.
- President Hain requested that members complete the evaluation survey to provide input for future meeting topics. She will resend the survey. The top responses based on the 7 responses thus far requested sharing of best practices, legislative updates, and teacher motivation.
- It was discussed whether it would be beneficial to charge members in order to offset meeting refreshment costs. It was discussed whether a \$10 meeting cost or perhaps a \$25 annual cost was appropriate. It was to be explored on whether this could be added

to PACTA annual dues for Central Region members. We will revisit in the spring meeting.

- Scott Rogers moved, seconded by Eric Butler, to pay costs associated with refreshments at this meeting to Dauphin County Technical School. The motion passed by unanimous consent.
- Sonnya Nieves from the Milton Hershey School and intern Caitlin Teti made a presentation to the group on information about and strategies that support social-emotional learning among their students.

BCTE UPDATE: Dr. Burket provided a BCTE update that included:

- A review of the many staffing changes within the BCTE as a result of retirements and transfers. Members spoke of the need to replace staff and fill vacant positions in order to continue effective operations and communications.
- An update on changes related to the start of Perkins V on July 1, 2019. Some areas of change will include a new definition of “concentrator”, a new indicator for technical dual enrollment, a focus on work-based learning, and a required “needs assessment”. Regional workshops will be held on March 27-29th.
- A certification update regarding the change from 78 to 60 credits for Voc. II certification, along with the new requirement of four years of wage-earning experience (from the previous two year requirement).
- Presidential Scholars applications are Due October 15, 2018.
- The State Board will be receiving PDE suggested edits to Chapter 49 requirements; schools are encouraged to provide input.
- The pilot CIP Program Approval process has been made permanent.
- An update on Nurse Aide program reviews indicated that those schools with less than 30 students can have their review do on-site while with more than 30 students must bring information to PDE. PDE is no longer reviewing FBI checks for Nurse Aide applicants.
- PDE is currently revising Phase 3 program task lists and encourages schools to participate.
- The deadline for adding industry credentials to the approved PDE list is mid-November.

PACTA UPDATE: John Pulver was unable to attend and requested that all members attend the General Membership meeting on October 12, 2018.

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PENN STATE UPDATE: Dr. Pellock provided handouts and information from that included:

- A review of contact information and responsibilities of PSU staff.
- A distribution of OCA testing dates.
- A description of the format change for the new teacher workshop being held on two Saturday sessions with online activities; the next workshop date is January 12.

- A calendar of CTE Teacher Tailgate dates and a description of the networking opportunity.
- The Director's academy is being March 28-29 at the Atherton Hotel in State College.
- The Professional Academy will focus on creating a growth mindset for staff and is open to future teacher leaders. Nominations are due October 8.
- Registration is due November 19 for the CTSOs for All Teachers workshop, which is focused on effective use of CTSOs for assessment, engagement, classroom management, and soft skill development.
- Dr. Pellock encouraged schools to consider allowing teachers a leave of professional absence to serve as FRPs. This would be of great value and benefit to the individual and the school as a PD activity.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- The Act 44 PCCD grant was discussed, particularly about eligibility for trauma training. This is the information Dr. Burket located in the law:

School entities shall provide their employees with mandatory training on school safety and security. Trainings may be provided online and may count toward continuing professional education credits if approved by PDE in consultation with the Committee. Employees shall complete a minimum of three hours of training every five years.

Training shall address:

Situational awareness.

Trauma-informed education awareness.

Behavioral health awareness.

Suicide and bullying awareness.

Substance use awareness.

Emergency training drills, including fire, natural disaster, active shooter, hostage situation and bomb threat.

The next meeting is scheduled to be at the conclusion of the Director's Academy at the Atherton Hotel on March 29, 2019 providing the Central Region Perkins Meeting can be changed to another date. **Plases note our meeting has been moved to April 5th, 2019 in conjunction with the Director's Academy.**

President Hain adjourned the meeting at 12:37pm.