

**REGIONAL CONSORTIA CHAIRS MEETING WITH
CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
HOLIDAY INN, SACRAMENTO
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2002
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Host: Central Region

I. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Frank Abbott, *Chancellor's Office*
Bernadette Black, *San Diego/Imperial Counties Region*
Dona Boatright, *Chancellor's Office*
Sheila Bollenbach, *Chancellor's Office*
Tanya Burke, *South Central Region*
Janis Caston, *North/Far North Region*
Sue Clark, *Central Region*
Susan Coleman, *LA/Orange County Region*
Dennis DeRoss, *North/Far North Region*
Gerri Douglas, *Chancellor's Office*
Lyla Eddington, *LA/Orange County Region*
Jackie Escajeda, *Chancellor's Office*
Lisa Fassett, *Chancellor's Office*

Kay Ferrier, *Chancellor's Office*
Kay Hartig, *San Diego/Imperial Counties Region*
Patricia Laurent, *Chancellor's Office*
Mike McGee, *Chancellor's Office*
Sandra Mellor, *Bay Region*
Gary Mendenhall, *Central Region*
Merlyn Newlin, *Chancellor's Office*
Bill O'Rafferty, *Desert Region*
Julie Pehkonen, *Desert Region*
Kathy Pulse, *Chancellor's Office*
Ron Selge, *Chancellor's Office*
Dean Smith, *Chancellor's Office*
Barbara Whitney, *Chancellor's Office*
Chuck Wiseley, *Chancellor's Office*
Sharon Wong, *Chancellor's Office*

II. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions made to the agenda.

III. BUDGET UPDATE

Ron Selge indicated that the "state budget has been put in place." He stated that the state is looking at scenarios for budget cuts for 2003-2004, however he does not anticipate any changes in the Perkins funding for this year.

Kay Ferrier stated that the 2003-04 economic development expenditure plan is in the final step and goes to the Board in November. She stated that the Regional Consortia is written in the expenditure plan and mentioned that they are not anticipating any cuts. Dennis DeRoss indicated that his college was told to hold off on spending instructional equipment money, and Dona Boatright replied that the instructional money is now written in the budget. Lisa Fassett indicated that the equipment grants are on their website and the RFA's will be out in a week or two. The Chancellor's Office will be hosting a bidder's videoconference on December 6th. She requested any colleges interested in hosting the Bidder's conference, to contact her.

Lyla Eddington asked if they anticipated a budget reduction at the local level, and Dona Boatright replied “no.”

IV. TECHNICAL SUPPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR’S OFFICE

The Regional Chairs asked the Chancellor’s Office staff if they would still be providing technical support to the region, and Dona Boatright replied that their goal is to continue to give service to the regions. She stated that the Chancellor’s Office is limited on travel and suggested finding different ways to communicate (i.e. teleconference). Chuck Wiseley indicated that if there was critical information that required their physical presence, then more than likely a Chancellor’s Office representative will be attending the regional meetings.

V. STATUS OF PERKINS REAUTHORIZATION

Ron Selge indicated that the Department of Education is aspiring to put together a draft bill by January or February, and stated that he would keep us posted. Gary Mendenhall asked if “we will be receiving reauthorization” and Ron Selge replied that “more will be told after election.” He stated that testimonies from the Perkins Reauthorization Hearing were posted on their website. Dona Boatright mentioned that there were representatives from community colleges as well as members from K-12. Lyla Eddington asked what messages K-12 people gave and Ron Selge replied that they wanted to save career technical education in high schools. He further indicated that Patrick Ainsworth from the Department of Education promoted partnership academies and high skill high wage careers in high schools

VI. UPDATE ON MASTER PLAN

Dona Boatright stated that the Master Plan is finished.

VII. DATA COLLECTION FOR 2002-03 FINAL REPORTS

Kay Ferrier stated that they combined the Regional Consortia RFA so that Economic Development was not separate from the VTEA portion. She stated that Economic Development has a new reporting system, and requested suggestions from the Chairs on how to review the VTEA and Economic Development reports. Lyla Eddington stated that when the final reports come out, they have been asked to provide data “after the fact.” She further mentioned that it was critical that there was some forethought on the data collection early in the year. She emphasized the need to have prior knowledge on what is required on the final reports early in the fiscal year. Dona Boatright stressed that they will do the best they can to streamline the process.

VIII. WIB, ETPL, LIST AGREEMENTS AND ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

Ron Selge explained that when the waiver is granted, it puts the colleges where they are in the first year of the ETPL system. He stated that the waiver would be approved in 2004.

Gerri Douglas indicated that they generated a listserv which allows the opportunity to share questions and issues with the region. She stated that they can go on the Chancellor’s Office website to subscribe to the listserv. Chuck Wiseley asked if this listserv was generally WIA and Gerri Douglas replied “yes.”

IX. STATUS ON TOP CODE RECOMMENDATIONS

Ron Selge indicated that WEDAC discussed changing TOP codes, and Charlie Klein indicated that he has been collecting suggestions for changes for the past five years. Gary Mendenhall stated that last year the Statewide Advisory Committees met and made some recommendations to TOP Codes.

Charlie Klein indicated that when new programs are introduced, they find new numbers instead of putting the program within another program. He stated that they are re-titling Multi-Media to “Media Arts and Technology” to include computer and fine arts programs. Additionally, he stated that the Environmental Sciences and Technology department felt that their discipline was evolving away from hazardous materials so they want an identity of their own; therefore, Charlie Klein is suggesting creating a new two digit category. Gary Mendenhall indicated that if they can get a draft, each chair can then take it back to their region for feedback. Dona Boatright indicated that they will take their suggestions and disseminate a draft to the region.

X. VICE-CHANCELLOR’S OFFICE REPORT

Dona Boatright indicated that the Chancellor’s Office has been involved in the “cut” drill. She stated that there will be a discussion at the Board of Governor’s meeting regarding accounting methods for noncredit courses. Additional topics include assigning money from the 10% set aside for FII funds.

Dona Boatright indicated the 50% rule was brought up at Consultation. The 50% rule states in the Education Code that all funds must be expended for classroom instruction (i.e. funding teacher’s salaries; and does not include librarians or counselors.)

Lyla Eddington inquired about Title V changes for non-credit, and Dona Boatright stated that this will be on the agenda for November. Kay Hartig asked what the status was on career ladders, and Dona Boatright indicated that the Board acknowledged career ladders, and is pushing towards job training for well paying jobs. Dona Boatright stated that the career ladder’s concept should be infused in “everything we think about” and indicated that the statement could be found on their website.

XI. VEST REPORT/CAREER DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

- Ron Selge indicated that the Tech Prep augmentation is out in which they took a modular approach so that only pieces of the workplan have to be submitted. He indicated that the School-to-Career funds have been rolled over, and the RFA is on EDD’s website.
- The RFA for equipment grants will be out shortly. A bidder’s videoconference will be conducted on December 6th and Lisa Fassett advised colleges who are interested in hosting the conference to contact her. The time of the videoconference will be 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and will be videotaped.
- The Special Populations conference will be December 2-3, 2002 in Sacramento. The registration and one night stay at the hotel is paid for by the conference.
- Frank Abbot indicated that Americorp staff has been working on a grant to get funding to provide a stipends for students in Public Safety and possibly Nursing to

provide training opportunities to prepare for emergencies. Further information is on the website. Americorp is asking colleges who are interested in participating, to send a letter of intent by November 15th. He stated that they are trying to get a commitment of 20 participants at each college as the program will require 20 students.

XII. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

- Kay Ferrier indicated that Spring 2003 CCCAOE will be a joint conference with ED>Net.
- The 2003-04 RFA will be out early December and the applications will be due in March 2003
- A \$9.9 million cut was taken from economic development in 2002-2003. The governor proposed cutting centers in half, however, 300 letters from the field were received which educated the legislature about the purpose of the Centers.
- Short-Term Grants: JDIT funds - \$2.5 million; IDRC -- \$3 million; Program Support Services -- \$500,000; Program Data Collection Support -- \$100,000
- There are 16 Centers up for competitive bid for 2004-05.
- Four initiative directors will be up for competitive bid.

Dona Boatright asked the Chairs what their thoughts were on the competitive bid process, and Lyla Eddington replied that she felt it was a healthy process, and gave the message that there were expected outcomes.

XIII. REQUEST THAT STATEWIDE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND REGIONAL COLLABORATIVES PREPARE A ONE-PAGE SUMMARY REPORT

The Chairs asked if they could get a list from the Statewide Advisory Committees regarding their goals for the year to help the Regional Consortia plan their budget. Lyla Eddington indicated that they made an offer to help facilitate information, and suggested that the Statewide Advisory Committees email the Regional Chairs their list of goals so it can be distributed throughout the regions. Dona Boatright indicated that she will attach it to the Chancellor's Office monthly newsletter. Merlyn Newlin stated that possibly their goals are listed on the Statewide Advisory Committee's website. The Regional Chairs emphasized that the Statewide Advisory Committee's interest in support should be expressed at the beginning of the fiscal year. Dona Boatright stated that she will put something together for the Regional Chairs.

XIV. WORK-BASED LEARNING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUEST

Susan Coleman stated that the Career Development and Work-Based Learning Statewide Advisory Committee needs the Regional Consortia's help to facilitate information, share ideas and student success practices. The Statewide Advisory Committees wants to conduct staff development regionally and requested help from the Regional Consortia to help facilitate this information. Susan Coleman indicated that they are also looking for funding support. Kay Hartig asked if we will be contacted by a representative, and Susan Coleman replied "yes."

XV. APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

Barry Noonan distributed and briefly summarized his report on:

- 1) 1997-2003 Summary of RSI Funding and RSI Attendance Hours
- 2) Apprenticeship Webpage, CCCCCO

Barry Noonan stated that there is a \$1.4 million deficiency, in which the provision in the Education Code states that if there is a deficit in one agency, they may request the money to be transferred over to prior years.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

*Next Regional Consortia Chairs meeting: Thursday, January 9th, in Sacramento
(Host: LA/Orange County Region)*