

**REGIONAL CONSORTIA CHAIRS
SPRING 2003, CCCAOE, SAN JOSE
SAN MARTIN ROOM
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2003
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

HOST: *SOUTH CENTRAL REGION*

I. Welcome/Introductions

Dona Boatright, CCCCCO
Tanya Burke, South Central Region
Janis Caston - North/Far North Region
Sue Clark, Central Regional Consortium
Susan Coleman, LA/Orange County Region
Dennis DeRoss, North/Far North Region
Lyla Eddington - LA/Orange County Region
Kay Hartig, San Diego/Imperial Counties Region
Sandra Mellor - Bay/Interior Bay Region
Gary Mendenhall, Central Region
Michelle Turner, San Diego/Imperial Counties Region
Ron Vito, Desert Region

II. Chancellor's Office Report

Dona Boatright

Dona Boatright stated that Merlyn Newlin would conduct a presentation regarding VTEA funding on Friday. Dona stated that School to Career is dead; Tech Prep is fine; there are no more FSS grants; and each region should stop spending FII funds.

III. Special Populations Mini-Grants for 2003-2004

Lyla Eddington

a. Where will the Committee be housed?

b. How best to impact the local colleges with the money available?

Lyla Eddington asked if a college had been identified who would house the Special Populations Mini-Grants Committee. Sue Clark stated that she has had conversations with the CCCCCO and submitted a proposed budget and work plan. She stated that the Central Region is moving forward even though they have received no final word. Lyla Eddington stated that this year there have been 3 times more applications submitted for special population mini-grants. Susan Coleman suggested that each region include an abstract from their approved mini-grants to post on the CCCCCO website, so everyone would know what each college is doing.

IV. Budgets

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a. Regional Consortia Funding - next year and beyond

b. Demand for Resources

- c. **Strategies**
- d. **Future for Regional Chairs**

Dona Boatright stated that the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) is a real advocacy for California community colleges and suggested that the chairs review their website (www.aacc.nche.edu) for more information. Dona stated that the CCCCCO website has good information and wording if the colleges want to create letters to send to their government officials regarding the budget cuts. She also mentioned that is a good idea for all colleges to know their elected officials.

Lyla Eddington stated that we should keep some structure regarding the future of the Regional Consortia Chairs. The chairs provide coordination between the colleges and the Chancellor's office. Gary Mendenhall mentioned that there is a mandate with the state leadership dollars to have a regional consortium to collaborate with colleges within each region and distribute funds.

V. Role of the Regional Chairs with the Vice Chancellor

Tanya Burke asked Dona Boatright what the Chancellor's office expects from the Regional Consortia Chairs. Dona Boatright stated that she wants to ensure that the chairs are controlling information and distributing it throughout their region.

VI. Role of the CCCCCO specialists at Regional Chairs meeting

Dona Boatright asked if the CCCCCO news brief was working. The chairs agreed that it was a good resource. Gary Mendenhall suggested that a representative from the CCCCCO attend and report at the Regional Chairs meeting periodically.

VII. Announcements/Other Items/Adjournment

Susan Coleman mentioned the upcoming Workforce Leaders Institute and provided a list of those currently registered to attend the meeting on April 30 - May 2, 2003. She would like the chairs to still announce and encourage attendance at this event. Susan stated that there are currently 63 attendees and she reserved 60 rooms. She wanted to reiterate that if travel is the issue then advise that the LA/Orange County Regional Consortium will reimburse all costs associated with this event. Lyla Eddington stated that the goal is to have one representative from each college.

Sandra will be hosting a retreat in the bay area and requested feedback regarding the pros and pitfalls for this type of meeting. Gary Mendenhall mentioned that she should take the work plan objectives and work from that regarding requirements to complete. Kay Hartig stated that every year Region X takes time to work on specific topics during our retreat such as job description, program endorsements, etc. Kay will send a copy of the agenda of recent retreat to Sandra and Janis with the minutes.

Meeting adjourned: 11:14am

Next meeting is May 19th with Chancellor's Office in Sacramento (Host: Bay-Interior Bay)