



**Regional Consortia Chairs / CCCCCO Staff
Meeting**

Monday, September 20, 2004 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Sheraton Grand Hotel
Bataglieri Room**

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I. Welcome/Introductions – Gary Mendenhall, Chair, Central Region

Barbara Whitney, CCCCCO
Chuck Wiseley, CCCCCO
Dona Boatright, CCCCCO
Donna Stearns, CCCCCO
Gary Mendenhall, Central Region
Geri Douglas, CCCCCO
Janis Caston, North/Far North Region
Kathy Pulse, CCCCCO - EWD
Linda Zorn, North/Far North Region
Lyla Eddington, LA/Orange Region
Michelle Turner, San Diego/Imperial Region
Ron Selge, CCCCCO
Ron Vito, Desert Region
Sandra Mellor, Bay/Interior Bay Region
Stan Schroeder, San Diego/Imperial Region
Sue Clark, Central Region
Susan Coleman, LA/Orange Region
Tanya Burke, South Central Region

Gary Mendenhall called the meeting to order at 10:10am.

II. Additions/Changes to Agenda/Route Contact Matrix – Gary Mendenhall

Sue Clark distributed the contact matrix for review and corrections.

III. Reports from CCCCCO Divisions and/or Units:

- Agency Review & California Performance Review (CPR) – Dona Boatright

Dona Boatright stated that the Agency Review Preliminary Report was on the Board of Governors agenda for September 13, 2004. In this report are the four major goals and recommendations. The four goals are:

1. By the end of 2005, the Chancellor's Office, working with the entire community college network, should lead the development and implementation of a 5-10 year strategic plan for California Community Colleges. This includes Workforce & Economic Development and the Curriculum Review Approval Process.

2. The Chancellor's Office should significantly improve oversight of the California Community Colleges to ensure that taxpayers' monies are being used legally and efficiently. Reviewing concurrent enrollment and reporting will help with this process.
3. The Chancellor's Office should design and implement a plan for the system office staff aimed at creating a first class agency that provides excellent technical support to constituents.
4. The Chancellor's Office should dramatically improve its representation of the California Community Colleges to the state taxpayers, state and federal legislators and the business community. The Chancellor's Office recommended hiring a Chief Communications Officer/Spokesperson as well as a Legislative Analyst to help with improving representation.

For further information about these goals and recommendations, Dona suggested going to the following website at http://www.cccco.edu/reports/review/agency_review.htm which is listed in the July 2004 News Brief.

Dona mentioned that the CPR is conducting an analysis of governmental systems. Seven one-day hearings will be conducted around the region to report on the recommendations in the report generated by the CPR. Some areas for concern are the possibility of the elimination of the Board of Governors and putting the Chancellor's Office under the Secretary of Education & Workforce Development. She is positive about Economic & Workforce Development and the Education & Workforce Council. Other recommendations are the reduction of the cost for textbooks and non-resident fees. Enrollment is a priority as well as accountability. Other recommendations were to balance CTE in high schools; a 75/25 split for vocational education so they would be up to date; require community service; and reduce local WIBS. According to Dona, the Governor has not made any comment about the CPR report.

- Career Technical Education – Ron Selge

Ron Selge stated that the State Directors had a conference call with USDE and there are no major changes according to Hermsmeier. Ron made the 2005-06 report for Perkins same as 2004-05 and will ask for exemption from competition. The State Leadership grant for Out-of-School Youth Ages 18-24 Demonstration Grant RFA "Tweeners" will be released soon. According to Ron, there is \$1 million for this project. The 5 paired regions are encouraged to submit a letter of intent.

Donna mentioned the upcoming unity meeting that is planned as a pre-conference session to 2004 Conference of the Community College League of California, entitled: Vision Beyond Crisis: Making Magic in California's Community Colleges on November 18, 2004 at the Anaheim Marriott. This meeting meets the requirement in the RFA. She suggested that everyone register early as well as request that their college President attend.

Ron Selge distributed a handout showing the CPR findings, WIA Work Plan and the Regional Consortia Workplan. According to the CPR, "the community college system does not project future employment trends to ensure California has an adequately trained workforce capable of meeting industry's needs in the future". Ron stated that we are refuting this allegation. According to the WIA Work Plan item #1 goal, the "analysis of alignment of Career Technical Education with Regional Economic Demand" and one of the corresponding objectives states to "assign regional consortia to determine degree of alignment of regional colleges programs with identified key industries". Additionally, based on the Regional Consortia Workplan one of our objectives states that "the regions response in meeting the vocational and technical education, training and economic development needs of industry, government and the community". Therefore, under an interagency agreement WIA will be contacting the Regional Consortia to conduct some training later in January. The Cal WIB website has additional information about this training. According to Ron, each region will tackle this differently and may have representatives conduct a workshop on their findings.

- Economic Development – Kay Ferrier

Kathy Pulse stated that the Economic & Workforce Development Committee met last week. The BCP is in the conceptual stage at this point and will be presented to the Board in November. Leadership development, faculty development and include funding to centers but not all just based on needs. The Board of Governors and the Consultation Council have agreed to include in the 2005-06 System Budget Proposal a Budget Change Proposal (BCP) for additional Program funds. The total request for IDRC funds was \$18 million from the 75 to 80 applications, however there is only \$7 million available. Kathy stated that they have received 20 applications for JDIF which they could all be funded. Currently, reading these grants this week and will provide scores next week. The Regional Environmental Center applications are due September 30.

IV. A Conversation with Nancy Frank, Executive Director, Sacramento Council, AeA

Janis Caston introduced Nancy Frank to the committee. Nancy distributed an overview of her presentation. The two main areas of discussion included "what do tech employers want/expect from new A.A. and B.S. graduates" and "what is the near-term and longer term picture for tech job opportunities". She stated that employers want the following three things:

- Current tech knowledge & general skills
- Communication & people skills
- Adaptability & work ethic

To her giving students experiences in adaptability in the classroom to measure the outcome and provide feedback were crucial. She also provided her view on the transformations within the tech industry and potential growth opportunities. Her view of the world is the transformations from having multiple tech products just to have products to getting these products in mainstream use. Another transformation is the focus on Third World instead of First World for your markets. US companies are going to go overseas to get their market and growth. She stated that AEA created a white paper on Offshore Outsourcing. She recommended that the committee review www.aeanet.org for the white paper which is periodically updated with newer data. Nancy stated that the concept of improving services means that the people doing the best IT hiring may not be IT companies. She believes that more positions are opening for IT and there is a coming shortage.

V. Career Development Contracts and Activities Update – Susan Coleman, Coordinator, LA/Orange County Regional Consortium

Susan Coleman mentioned that everyone should have their contracts. Currently she is working on "Making the Case" that will be going to the Career Centers and Administrators on campus and helping promote Career Technical Education. Pilot it through the Career Development Advisory Committee to ensure that it works well and is helpful for the Career Centers. Geri Douglas mentioned that a lot of Best Practices are going to the career centers, faculty and students in various formats. Most of these items will be electronic and on the www.cccareers.org website. Susan stated that most of this will be housed where you can print or download modules. Lyla Eddington requested that Susan contact the Regional Chairs to let them know when and what is going out so they can disseminate within their region.

VI. Workforce Leaders – Susan Coleman

Susan Coleman stated that the Workforce Leaders Institute will be conducted on April 13-15, 2005 at the UCLA Conference Center. She will provide a "Save the Date" flyer at CCCAOE with preliminary information. Lyla Eddington mentioned that she is working on moving the meeting to the north area for the next meeting. Linda Zorn wanted to know where is it located in the RFA and questioned about the expense and meeting the needs for the North/Far North region. Lyla stated that she will provide documentation regarding the reason for this event. Linda would like to add to the agenda for further discussion as to why we are doing this and what is the purpose of it.

VII. Joint Special Populations Advisory Committee Update – Sue Clark, Coordinator, Central Region/Joint Special Populations Advisory Committee (JSPAC)

Sue Clark stated that the Statewide Advisory will be having a joint conference with CDE on February 9 & 10, 2005 at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza Hotel in Sacramento. She mentioned that there is no registration fee. She provided a preliminary flyer in our regional packet. For more information, she recommended going to the www.casp.cc website. She reminded everyone that they will need to fax or mail their registration form. Only one person per college may attend this event but the committee may accommodate more based on space available. She provided a copy of the handouts to the chairs for review to see what will be given to their faculty to use in their classrooms.

The Chancellor's Office Special Populations Statewide Collaborative Project is a series of 16 regional workshops to obtain input from the Regional Consortia regarding:

- Barriers to serving special population students.
- Critical components that lead of success for special populations students.
- Effective practices and programs for special populations students, i.e., ones that address the identified barriers and incorporate the critical components for success.

In the next few weeks, the project liaison that is assigned to your region either Laurie Harrison will email you or give you a call to discuss the best way to proceed for your region. The committee is relying on the regions to select a site and disseminate the materials to faculty.

Gary Mendenhall mentioned that RP Group will be conducting Student Learning Workshops throughout the region. Kate Pluta, kpluta@bakersfieldcollege.edu and Janet Fulks, jfulks@bakersfieldcollege.edu will be the presenters. Sue mentioned that this topic will be placed on a later agenda for further discussion.

VIII. Review Meeting Schedule for 2004-2005

Sue Clark distributed the Regional Consortia 2004-05 Calendar for review and corrections.