

Regional Consortia Chairs and System Office Staff

Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, October 18, 2006

8:30 – 11:00

CCCAOE Conference - Crowne Plaza Hotel - Cozumel Room

I. Welcome/Introductions – Kay Faulconer-Boger, Chair, South Central Region

Gary Mendenhall, Central Region
Julie Pehkonen, Desert Region
Kay Faulconer-Boger, South Central Region
Kim Holland, LA/Orange Region
Luann Swanberg, South Central Region
Lyla Eddington, LA/Orange Region
Michelle Turner, San Diego/Imperial Region
Ron Vito, Desert Region
Stan Schroeder, San Diego/Imperial Region
Sue Clark, Central Region
Susan Coleman, LA/Orange Region

II. Additions/Changes to Agenda – Kay Faulconer-Boger

Motion: That the Minutes from the May 15, 2006 meeting be approved as corrected. Motion made by: Stan Schroeder. Seconded by: Gary Mendenhall. Voted on and approved unanimously.

Lyla Eddington requested a discussion about working with the WIBs. Stan Schroeder requested a discussion about the retreat.

III. Career Development Contracts and Activities Update – Susan Coleman, Coordinator, LA/Orange County Regional Consortium (LA/OC RC)

Susan Coleman stated that she has received payment from North/Far North and Desert regions. She distributed the Handy Activities for Student Success handbooks which is targeted to faculty with 10 activities that link the classroom with the work place. Susan mentioned that MonsterTrac would fund \$45,000 to get the "Case of the Missing Major" program onto the internet. She is working with the advisory committee in Santa Clara regarding the regional workshops.

IV. Workforce Leaders Institute – Lyla Eddington, Chair, LA/OC RC

Lyla Eddington distributed the Workforce Leaders Institute brochures. She reminded everyone that this activity is for faculty who are interested in moving into a leadership position as well as for new deans. Lyla stated that for those interested in graduate units could apply for 3 units through distance education.

V. JSPAC – Stan Schroeder, SD/IC RC

Stan Schroeder stated that the JSPAC Conference would be at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza in Sacramento from December 6-7. He mentioned that there were 300 participants registered for this conference and currently had 30 individuals on the wait list. An email was being sent to those on the wait list regarding the possibility of paying a \$125 registration fee in order to attend the conference. He reminded everyone that this was a joint effort between K-Adult and community colleges. Some of the workshops were Women Industrial Technology; Students with Development Disabilities; Reentry Adults; Teen Families; Data Sharing as well as Alternate Steps Direction System (Braille text). He stated that he had received reimbursement from each region.

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VI. Community Colleges and WIBs

Lyla Eddington inquired if anyone received the CalEDD meeting notice about their offering a venue for community colleges workforce development and WIBs to meet. Sue Clark inquired who was supposed to provide a list of WIB representatives for each region. She would follow-up with Geri Douglas about this list.

VII. Regional Consortia Chairs Retreat

Stan Schroeder suggested that we should assist the colleges with implementing the new Perkins 3 plan by providing the same message to CEOs, CIOs, and Deans to help them understand the focus. Lyla Eddington suggested that the Regional Consortia group attend the upcoming Economic and Workforce Development Conference to get a better understanding about EWD issues.

VIII. Region Roundtable – Each region would report on activities planned for 2006-2007

Gary Mendenhall stated that they hold their annual retreat in Monterey in June to discuss new fiscal year activities using the work plan as a guide. Central region is looking at a work ready certificate with 9 or 10 states adopting it. Their next meeting would be held at UC Merced to discuss funding opportunities within the state. Gary stated that they used marketing dollars to create Trainingforme.com which provides information about area colleges training resources in contract and credit education for individuals and business. They created postcards about this new website and are currently distributing to everyone in their region including the local WIBs.

Julie Pehkonen stated that Desert Region held a symposium of the WIBs from San Bernardino and Riverside counties, which was well attended by 110 participants including a third from industry. She mentioned that they met last week with the contractor to facilitate the Palo Verde demonstration meeting. Palo Verde has different issues since they are on the border with another state. They are currently gathering research information about this economic development project and their link with the colleges within their region.

Kay Faulconer-Boger stated that they are hosted an event regarding Mark Sneep's research analysis of workforce and enrollment trends of the colleges in their region. Sixty to seventy people attended the event such as a college president, deans, WIB, researchers and representatives from EDD. The next focus would be on Child Development.

Stan Schroeder stated that San Diego/Imperial Counties conduct an annual retreat of the Occupational Deans and CIOs. This year this event is going to be expanded to include Economic and Workforce Initiative Directors, the Chair of the SDICCCA group and a facilitator to discuss collaborative projects from CCCCCO. The SDICCCA group consists of WIB and College Presidents. Mini-grants are currently being developed. He mentioned that we have cut back the amount of the "Looking for a Career" brochures this past year to less than 50,000. These brochures are very helpful in our region for counselors and students.

Lyla Eddington stated that they scheduled their first steering committee meeting. They conduct three meetings a year with representatives from each area. Employment trends and cluster opportunity study would be unveiled to show where are the jobs and where are they going. They just completed a labor market study on transportation and industry. They just hired a Secretary that would start on November 8.

IX. Agenda Items for the January 2007 meeting

Lyla Eddington is hosting the next meeting in January and would solicit agenda topics prior to the meeting. The Regional Consortia Retreat was tabled until after receipt of the new timeline from CCCCCO.