

Vision 2014
Region III Business Meeting
Thursday, November 20, 2014, 5:30 p.m.
Nashville, TN

Minutes

Called to Order at 5:30 by Katrina Plese

Attendees introduced themselves

Welcome & Greetings were brought by

- LeAnn Wilson, ACTE Executive Director
- Sarah Heath, ACTE President
- CTSO student, Cornell Neighbors, National Vice President for Skills USA
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Introductions/Recognition

- ACTE President-Elect Candidates – Chuck Gallagher, Lorri Carlile
- ACTE Region 3 VP-Elect Candidates – Cindy Stover, Leslie Bleskachek
Voting opens Friday. Katrina encouraged us all to vote!
- ACTE Fellow – Shelly Rust was introduced
- ACTE Leadership Training Participants—Barb Lemmer was here from Iowa
We support this with a \$500 stipend
- QAS (Quality Association Standards) States—Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri will be recognized at the state association breakfast

Recognition of First-time Attendees – Three first-timers were in attendance at this meeting

Approval of Business Meeting Minutes

Carlene Blumenthal moved the minutes be approved. Robert Graham 2nd Motion passed

Region III Financial/Membership Report

Katrina Plese

Operating budget is approximately \$3,000. We use it or lose it. \$7,462 from the MN Region III conference profit. We support with \$1000 for the VP elect. Congratulations to MN for winning the membership contest last fiscal year. IA and MN have a net gain over the last 3 years, other states have a net loss. Illinois had an 11% gain for the period of July – October of this fiscal year with 47 new members. This year, in the 1st quarter we gained 97 members versus 56 last year. Next quarter is significant. A question was brought up about having schools pay for memberships. ACTE Legal counsel is reviewing the possibility of using Perkins funds for this type of expenditure.

ACTE November 2014 Board Meeting Report

Katrina Plese

Region I (NE) is struggling, so ACTE is piloting a state association liaison to work with those states for 2-3 years. Potential to move this to other regions depending on the feedback.

The state association task force is working to disseminate the information from successful states and listing best practices. They are working to grow states in developing leaders and support strong divisions.

Michael Connet and Julia O'Brien spoke with the board about the way to identify potential new members.

CTE Support Fund Basket – we are encouraged to purchase a raffle ticket for this worthwhile fund

Katrina asked that conference feedback be emailed to ACTE

Note on page 139 in the conference program, there is a Virtual VISION link. Attendees will have free access to the site that will contain videos of some of the conference sessions.

Action Item

Operating Policies Amendments

Cindy Stover/Karen Mason

Recommended that the governing committee nomination committee be changed from 9 to 6 members and add each state is encouraged to provide 1 member for the committee.

Carlene Blumenthal moved we accept the recommendation. Robert Graham 2nd Motion passed.

It is still being discussed if we are interested in standardizing the process for amendments throughout the regions as well. Our policy committee did not think it was good practice.

ACTE Committee Reports

- Audit Review Lisa Stange
 - No Findings. Reported that we started with a deficit and ended on the plus side. Kudos to the ACTE staff for their work!
- Awards Deborah Diss
 - Banquet was last night. Congratulations to our winners and nominees. The portal is being used, though change is hard, it is a positive start and works so much quicker. Encouraged each state to use the portal. Suggestion to find someone very good at writing as those are the winners – have someone proof the submissions.
- Bylaws Chris Kendall
 - Four changes were reviewed - Articles 3 (membership), 4 (organization structure), 7 (elections) and 8 (committees)
 - The only one not passed was a change to abolish the nominating committee (article 8). All others passed.
- Nominating Kim Landecker
 - Met prior to conference and accepted two nominations.
- Resolution Leslie Bleskachek
 - Met yesterday. Passed the three resolutions in the assembly of delegates meeting today. If you have any resolutions that you would like to have brought forward, please get them in by June 1 for the Nov 1 meeting deadline.
- CTE Support Fund Kandy Smitha
 - New staff is on board from Nationals. Annual goal is \$10,000. Difficult to get from baskets – hard to get here and get them home. They are working on this and will ask divisions next year to donate. Gift cards travel easy, but security is a problem and also small Regions don't do as much. They are working on a

new logo for the support fund and thinking of selling coffee mugs – “Sipping for CTE”. Keeping the use of this fund broad and hoping to support lobbying effort in DC as well as outreach.

2014 Region III Conference Wrap-Up

Tom Anderson

Reported \$17,000 in revenue and \$13,000 in expenses for a profit of \$5000 to be split with Region III and MN ACTE. Great job!

2015 Region III Conference Invite

Lisa Stange

Will be held June 25 – 26th, Cedar Rapids, IA at the Kirkwood Center. Invitation to all to attend. Registration is on the ACTE/Iowa ACTE website.

Other Business

Thanks to Katrina for her work and communication. An attendee from Chicago shared that they have been struggling with communication of the value of CTE and membership as well and asked for help in sharing what we get for member value.

Adjourn

Katrina declared the meeting adjourned at 5:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Stange