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Region V Policy Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, December 4th, 2024

8:00 AM CST

San Antonio, TX

Present: Leann Curry, Rachel Gonzalez, Shari Jerde, Craig Statucki, Trish Zugg, Bobbie Jo Donovan, Jennifer McConville, Erica Davis., Dodie Bemis, Tim Knue, Pepper Poulsen, Tracy Kern, Mark Branger. Coleen Kefeler, Will Castro, Tina Statucki. Jordan & Nora absent with notice.

Craig Statucki called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM CST.

Approval of the Agenda: Craig Statucki called for a motion to approve today's agenda; Shari Jerde moved to approve the agenda with flexibility, Rachel Gonzalez seconds, no opposition, motion carries.

National ACTE update: LeAnn Curry reported that the National ACTE Board met on December 3rd. She said that the board meeting went well. There are 5,190 attendees for VISION 2024. VISION will be back in San Antonio in 2028. It will be the 100th year anniversary in New Orleans in 2026. Financially ACTE is doing well. Membership at its highest since 2011. She also thanked everyone for their work at all levels of ACTE. LeAnn spoke about the CTE Learn Platform and how it is always improving and easily accessible for members to use for Professional Development. Exhibits at Vision have expanded and continue to expand each year.

Budget Update Craig shared that the budget was approved at the last board meeting. He went over the changes. He also discussed lack of sponsorship opportunities. Suggested to email Michael Connet to ask for support to increase the budget. Dodie mentioned that \$7,000 would be used for 1st timers. There was further discussion regarding the budget and how to request support without giving up oversight of the budget.

Update Region V 2025 Conference (April 30-May 3)--Las Vegas, NV: Tina reported that the theme is "Rolling the Dice on Innovation" - in Las Vegas. It is the 50th anniversary of Region V. It will be held at South Point Hotel & Casino, provides great rates and free airport shuttle. The keynote speakers are Drew De Castonzo and Dr. Yan Jau. Schedule of events: Wednesday - Policy meeting & Wednesday night - Music Trivia Bingo. Thursday full day with afternoon tours. All tours will end at a high school - Awards banquet at the high school - Italian meal. Friday night - strip night - enjoy the night on the strip. Saturday - Capstone project presentations. Trying to do everything student based.

Future 2026 Conference (April 9-12)--Utah Pepper Poulsen presented. It will be held at the Little America Hotel - in downtown Salt Lake. 199/night. There is a train system from airport but also free parking if driving. They are currently planning on the standard Region V agenda. Registration will include all meals. They are hoping to keep registration at \$450. They are still looking at when to end or what to have for a closing session as well as if it will be Friday night or Saturday morning.

Future Region V Conference Proposals - Craig discussed how he would like to get 2027 & 2028 set up. There was discussion around if we consider a rotation? Or are we too big? How do we reshape the conference rotation and/or bids? There was statements that what we are doing now seems to work ok. There was also concerns about if it is a rotation, are we committing a state to something that current leadership can't commit to?

Awards Committee Update: tonight is the awards GALA@ 7 at Grand Hyatt. Region V has some really strong candidates.

Important dates & information:

- March 1st deadline.
- Region level - communication, innovation, excellence awards

Discussion regarding the scoring rubric beginning in 2026. The interview is an important piece, especially with AI advancements.

Application is currently fairly generic. They are going to request that questions are more relevant to the specific award areas.

Currently during interviews, the cameras are turned off. They are going to propose for cameras to be on, so they can see the person who is interviewing to make it more friendly.

Nominating Committee: Dodie didn't have much to report, as they don't start until after the 1st of the year. She is going to begin looking to market the Policy Committee member openings since two members will be going off. She also reiterated that it is important that they have been a leader in their state before being nominated for Policy Committee.

Legislative Committee: Tim has submitted his letter of retirement. He discussed he is struggling with how to support. As it stands now, resolutions go directly to the board instead of a resolutions committee.

Region V Fellows: Jennifer and Erica reported they are working on a book study and will give a presentation at Region V in Las Vegas. They will also announce the communication awards.

Hall of Fame: Mark reminded us of the March 1st deadline. He also encourages all states to look at individuals within Region V.

Opportunity grants: Trish reported that the amount went down to \$10,000, with \$6100 to be paid out. They can request up to \$2000 each. We may want to look at if we are going to do this again given the state of the budget.

Policy Manual: Rachel Gonzalez moved, Shari Jerde second to approve the Policy manual. Motion carried.

Strategic Plan: We began to look at the different pieces of the strategic plan but ran out of time.

Approval of November Minutes: Trish Zugg moved and Rachel Gonzalez second to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Trish Zugg motioned and Rachel Gonzalez seconded. No discussion or opposition. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:08 CST.