Region IV Business Meeting
Hyatt Regency, Ellis East
Wednesday, November 29, 2023
3:15 PM-4:15 PM

I. Call to Order at 15:15

II. Approval of Agenda motion by Jared Lundry – OK
Second by LaDonna Selvidge – OK
No opposed

III. Introductions
- Region IV Policy Committee
  - Jennifer Turner, Arkansas
  - Johnathon Emerson , Louisiana
  - Blaise King, Mississippi
  - Jason Hayes, New Mexico
  - Rana McVay, Oklahoma
  - Brandon Grace, Texas
- Region IV Board of Directors Members
  - Bart Taylor, TX-Trade and Industrial Education Division
  - Brooke Kusch, OK-Counseling and Career Development Division-Elect
  - Shawn Freie, OK-PACE Division-Elect
- Region IV Fellows-2023 Class
  - Katie Robertson, Arkansas-Experienced Fellow
  - Kristi Archer, Texas-Experienced Fellow
- Region IV Fellows-2024 Class
  - Carla Burris-Experienced Professional
  - Caitlin Morrison-New Professional
  - Carolyn Brown-McIntosh-New Professional
- LeAnn Curry, ACTE Executive Director(Drop-In at anytime)
  - ACTE Updates – Updated membership on conference and conference numbers. Biggest non-Las Vegas Conference.
- President-Elect Candidate (Drop-In at anytime)
  - Shani Watkins, Region V – Talked about her vision for ACTE and looking forward to serving in a new capacity.
- Alysha Hyslop(Drop-In at anytime)
  - Legislative Updates – Not a lot of work happening, a lot of distractions. Legislation on Apprenticeships, WIOA, etc are effectively stalled. Movement may start again

soon with federal appropriations for FY24 (late). If an appropriations bill is not passed when the current continuing resolution expires it may trigger a partial shutdown and another continuing resolution would include an automatic 1% budget reduction. Potential impacts of a shutdown or a triggered automatic 1% cut if an appropriations bill is not passed will not immediately affect most education funding as it is forward funded. Would impact next academic year funding. House and Senate vision for the budget are very different. Senate bill looks better for CTE with an increase in Perkins. The house bill includes a flat Perkins and a 30% reduction in other areas that will heavily impact education. ACTE is advocating for the Senate version.

IV. Approval of Minutes from Region IV Business Meeting (3-31-23, Biloxi, MS) – No minutes were found of the Region IV Business Meeting in Biloxi. No minutes were believed to be kept.

V. Region IV Presidents Report
- Budget – Operating budgeted at $7,243.00 with $505 being spent (for a backdrop) as of October 31st. Designated fund is at $129,362.10 reflective of a $5,051.79 loss resulting from market fluctuations as of October 31st.
- Membership
  - 27,194 ACTE Members as of Oct. 31.
  - Region IV Dashboard Paperweight award highest % increase 13.8 and Highest Numerical Increase 1,037
  - Region IV 8553 Members
- ACTE Board of Directors Update
  - In-person voting begins Friday
  - Finance are in good shape
  - Special Populations Section under NRS changed to CTE for All
  - New Section under NRS added CTE Research Section
  - CFO Resignation
- Vision
  - Region IV Attendance 323
  - 5051 Vision attendees, highest attendance in 24 years in a non-Las Vegas City
- Assembly of Delegates-Thursday Morning following opening session
- Quality Association Standards (QAS)
  - Arkansas
  - Mississippi
  - Oklahoma
  - Texas CTAT

VI. Committee Reports
- Awards-Roberta Howard*/Liaison-Johnathon Emerson – Met at Region IV conference in 2023. There has been some turnover and they are developing a handbook to train new reps.
- Audit- Merrilee Saige*/ Liaison-Jennifer Turner – Nothing new to report
- Bylaws-Brandon Grace* - Met but there was nothing to approve. Reminder that any new proposed bylaws changes need to be submitted by May 8th for consideration.

Any summited proposals will be revied by may 15th and sent to legal by June 1st.

- Nominating-Bob Robinson/Liaison-Blaise King – Nothing new to report.

VII. Unfinished Business – Unknown, its believed no minutes were kept at the last Region IV business meeting.

VIII. New Business

IX. Announcements

- Region IV Reception, Thursday, Nov. 30th 5-6 p.m. Cassidy Room Hyatt Regency Hotel Sponsored by Microburst Technologies
- Region IV Fellows Introductions
  - Dr. Brent Casey, Region IV Fellows Coordinator – Introduced the cohort two fellows that attended Vision. Cohort 3 Fellows application opens December 8th with selection happening in February 2024.

- 2024 Region IV Conference – Call for presenters is open please consider presenting. Thomas Blackwell will be the keynote and there are many tours planed for preconference as well as a session by Kelly Falkner for Counseling.
  - April 17-19, 2024
  - Embassy Suites
  - Albuquerque, New Mexico

- Region IV Board of Directors Candidates
  - LaDonna Selvidge, OK, Health Science Education
  - Karin Davis, OK, Family and Consumer Sciences Education
  - Jill Ranucci, TX, New and Related Services

- ACTE Excellence Awards Gala
  - Tonight at 7:00PM Hyatt Regency, Regency A-D
  - Best of Luck Region IV Winners
    - Administrator of the Year
      (1) Kady Donaghey-Texas
    - Carl Perkins Community Service Award
      (1) Robby Branscum-Oklahoma
    - Counseling and Career Development Award
      (1) Merrilee Saige-Alvarez-New Mexico
    - Lifetime Achievement Award
      (1) Nina Morgan, Oklahoma
    - New Teacher of the Year
      (1) Mindy Lyle-Arkansas
    - Postsecondary Teacher of the Year
      (1) Patricia Edmunds–Arkansas
    - Teacher Educator of the Year
      (1) Bonner Slayton-Oklahoma
    - Teacher of the Year
      (1) Karen Upton-Oklahoma

X. Adjournment motion by Mark Wilson
Second by Jennifer Turner – AR
Meeting adjourned at 15:54

National Policy Seminar
March 18-20, 2024
Arlington, VA

Region IV Conference
April 17-19
Albuquerque, New Mexico

ACTE Vision 2024
December 4-6, 2024
San Antonio, TX

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