



Representing the Counties of Inyo, Kern, Kings, Mono, and Tulare Serving California's Region XI School Administrators and Youth

## **Region Board Meeting**

Breakfast 8:00-8:30 a.m. Meeting 8:30-11:30 a.m. March 3, 2016

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In Attendance:

David Bowling, Valerie Brown, Blanca Cavazos, Don Clark, David Francis, Regina Green, Robert Groeber, Philomena Hall, Greg Henry, Lisa Horne, JoAnne McClelland, Jose Morales, Richard Morosa, Jill Nemeth, Raquel Posades-Gonzalez, Jeremy Powell, Terri Rufert, Richard Schlagel, Kevin Silberberg Dr. Guadalupe Solis, David Tonini, Michael Tsuboi, Steve Tsuboi, Michael Vogenthaler, John Werner, Craig Wheaton, Donya Wheeler, Terry Wolfe

### **Agenda**

## I. Call to Order

Valerie Brown

a. Review/Additions/Deletions and Approval of Agenda
The meeting was called to order by Val at 8:33 am. The agenda for the March meeting was
presented for approval. Craig Wheaton motioned for approval with moving to the beginning of
the meeting the change of the presenter on adult education John Werner. The motion was
seconded by Jose Morales. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Review/Approval of Minutes from February 4, 2016 Minutes from the February meeting were presented for approval. Robert Groeber motioned approval. The second came from Lisa Decker. The motion carried unanimously.

## II. President's Report

Valerie Brown

a. Networking

Val's networking activity included gathering in groups of four to share articles and books that have been recently read. The groups shared out what was discussed and the impact that the reading had their your personal or professional life.

The next meeting will be a delegate assembly. Please bring a book for a book swap. Please encourage your Charter members to participate in this event. Terri suggested adding a piece in the Region Newsletter.

Val acknowledged Martin Park from CA Consulting who sponsored the Region XI breakfast today. The firm specializes in grant writing and currently contracts with many school districts, government municipalities, and private sector businesses throughout the Kern County community. CA consulting also sponsors ACSA at the state level.





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## b. Director of Communication Vacancy

The application for the director of communication was distributed to the charters and will be posted on Ed-Cal. The due date to return applications is March 31. Applications should be returned to David Tonini. The position will be filled by a retired administrator or teacher, targeting individuals specializing in technology. Applicants should be a member of ACSA, or be eligible to be an associate member of ACSA.

## c. Celebration for Dick Schlagel-Committee

Region XI is assembling a committee to honor Dick Schlagel for his 29 years of service as the director of the Region newsletter. Raquel, Terri, and Jeanette volunteered for this committee. The celebration will be scheduled this spring in Porterville.

#### d. February State Delegate Assembly

February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> was the last state delegate assembly. Val commented on the ESSA presentation and the affect that it has on her as a principal and her district. Laura Preston was the presenter. Val encouraged anyone interested to reach out to Laura regarding the ESSA. There was also a budget and district funding presentation. A group of students from the CA Association of Student Council presented to mini groups of educators about how students can assist in the implementation of state standards. Students also shared the positive and negative impacts that adults had in their academic lives. Blanca shared about how insightful the students were, and the impact that their comments had on her. A powerful comment made was, "Why wouldn't teachers want us to be critical thinkers and analyzers?" Craig noted that a student proposed that ACSA change their motto to read "One Voice With Students" as opposed to "One Voice For Students".

## e. State Committee/Council Openings

It is time to prepare for the 2016-17 year, and the three year terms that are expiring this year. Applications are available in the Committee and Councils folder in drop box. Committee openings include Ed Options, Student Services and SPED, Co Administration, Equity. Leg Policy, Small Schools, and Career Tech.





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Applications are due to David Bowling by April 1<sup>st</sup> and to the state on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Charter presidents please advertise these committees to your members and send the application to interested members. Tulare and West Kern need to fill a state director position. Please send David Bowling the names of the new Charter President for the upcoming 2016-17 school year.

## III. Legislative Action VP Report

Tom Addington

Tom is not present at today's meeting. Tom has been updating members attending with emails on the upcoming Leg Action day.

### IV. State Directors' Report

Craig Wheaton/Terri Rufert

The meeting began with a preview of a short video available on the ACSA website under Newsroom highlighting many districts throughout the state. ACSA dues and budget was discussed, and the budget is looking very optimistic. ACSA membership has increased progressively assisting to this outlook. The governor's budget proposal was discussed and the concern of the Education Block Grant, especially the effect on TK. The state funding would shift to the state Pre-K rate which is significantly lower than the current funding model. ACSA will follow this closely and lobby to fund the program at current levels because of the financial impact local districts will face if the funding is lost. The delegate assembly is changing their bylaws, with a name change to Leadership Assembly, with a greater shift and focus on students. The debrief was positive in nature. In May the board will evaluate the executive director. Reports were heard on multiple counsels and committees, especially the Ed-Option counsel. ACSA will continue being a voice on the national level, and legislation presented at the federal level. ACSA is looking to increase the PACT contribution, which is lower than the average. ACSA wants to include a box that allows a contribution directly to PACT. Based on a 17,000 overall state membership, funding sources would be significant if 25% of ACSA members contributed. The increase would rise from \$78 to \$200.





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V. Treasurer's Report

Lisa Horne

Current Balances: Shares: \$99,259.05 Drafts; \$20,146.94

Ending Balance: \$20,146.94

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Greg and was seconded by Jeremy. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. 2015-2016 Budget

Lisa Horne/Dave Tonini

VII. Membership Report

Lupe Solis

a. March Madness

A report is available. Lisa Horn and David Tonini were recognized as assisting in membership. Bylaws were discussed at the membership committee, and the next meeting will be held on April.26<sup>th</sup>. Charters are asked to track the members to avoid anyone dropping out of ACSA. Overall, membership remains strong and ACSA membership is currently at our highest levels. Lupe will attend any functions in the spring promoting new membership.

#### VIII. ACSA Ambassador Report

Terry Wolfe

This month there are 3 Tulare, 6 West Kern, and 1 from CA State Bakersfield. The next meeting will be a t the end of March.

IX. Executive Director Report

Dave Tonini

\*Craig Wheaton Campaign Update

Craig is networking to make contacts for his pending campaign. Craig persevered switching jobs while maintaining his candidacy. Craig traveled to Region XVI, LA Unified, Region XII, and Region VII. The experience attending different region meeting has been a positive experience. Committees and counsels are awarded one vote. Those serving on a committee or counsel should campaign and lobby the president to vote for Craig and support Region XI. There will be a reception at the Mid-State conference and this would be a great opportunity to campaign Craig's candidacy.





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\*Reception at Mid-State Conference

430-530. Outdoor reception weather permitting. Food and drink for 50 people is the responsibility of each Region.

\*April Region Delegate Assembly

To charter presidents, you have a certain number of delegates responsible for attending. A big raffle prize will be offered as incentive for attending.

\*Region/Charter Bylaws

There are many outdated bylaws. Get a current copy from Dave and forward your current bylaws so that they could be forwarded to the state.

There are \$500 PD scholarships available from ACSA. Many scholarships are not taken advantage of and go unfilled. Please advertise these scholarships at the Charter level. The state summit is November 9-12, 2016. Inspire. Lead. Achieve is the theme, and veterans will be honored. Please attend the reception.

Charter presidents- each charter should have a budget. Each charter received the budget template, and it should be used to forecast the charter spending. Make a plan for charter expenditures with existing funds and expected funds. Please forward a copy of the budget to David and Val.

X. Newsletter Dick Schlagel

The spring issue should be published in mid-April. It will be approximately 16 pages, highlighted by Leg \Action Day and Craig Wheaton's campaign. On Point Innovative Technology will be taking a one-page ad in the newsletter. Charter chats by charter presidents will also be highlighted.

#### XI. Old Business

a. Mid-State Conference

Donya Wheeler

We are at capacity and accommodated those on the waiting list.

#### b. Administrator of the Year

**David Bowling** 

The upcoming awards banquet will be on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Award winners can bring up to three complimentary guests. Anything above will be \$15 per guest beyond the three guests. Email David with an accurate count.





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  - c. Every Student Succeeding

David Bowling

The deadline is March 11<sup>th</sup>. All charter presidents, please forward David the past winners. ACSA would like to highlight those students in an upcoming article. Charter members could forward any information to London Roberts from Ed Cal.

d. Itzenhauser/Schlagel Retiree Scholarship David Bowling *This honoree would like to be recognized in May. Please submit applications by April 15<sup>th</sup>.* 

e. Student Scholarships

**David Bowling** 

Please submit applications by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Each charter may submit three names to be recognized. Please email David the anticipated number of winners (not exceeding three). There is \$5,000 budgeted for the award winners, broken down to ten, \$500 scholarships. Please rank the order that you forward to David. Each Region is guaranteed to receive two of the \$500 scholarships. Additional scholarships beyond the two will be voted on.

## XII. New Business

a. June Planning Retreat

**David Bowling** 

A planning retreat itinerary was distributed for June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> in Bakersfield. The location has not been chosen yet. Past charter presidents are encouraged to attend the executive committee meeting on June 13<sup>th</sup> from 1200 until 400 pm.

#### XIII. Charter Reports

a. East Kern: Lisa Decker

The February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting took place in Mojave. Edgar from ACSA is the director of policy and governmental relations and presented on the shift to ESSA. The April 25th meeting will include awarding student scholarships and award winners for of the year.

A motion was made by Richard Morosa for \$1,000 to be awarded to the East Kern charter for Professional Development and recruitment social. Terri seconded. The motion passed unanimously

b. Kings: Bobby Peters

The March madness meeting will be on March 17<sup>th</sup>. A presentation will be made to the board on award winners





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  - c. Inyo/Mono: Don Clark

The next meeting will be on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Awards and presentations will be available. A request of \$1,000 was made to fund the events at their April meeting. A motion was made by Teri Rufert for \$1,000 to be awarded to the Inyo/Mono charter to fund their April social. The motion was seconded by Donya Wheeler. The motion passed unanimously

#### d. Tulare: Robert Groeber

The mentor program, Craig Wheaton's campaign, and a presentation on  $21^{st}$  century technology highlighted their last Charter meeting. On March  $28^{th}$  there will be a membership drive and mixer, along with the mentor program. The April meeting is scheduled for April  $15^{th}$ .

e. West Kern: Richard Morosa

The March meeting was held March  $3^{rd}$ . The April meeting will fall on secretaries day, April  $22^{nd}$ , secretaries day. During the June meeting the Charter will recognize administrator of the year and student scholarships.

#### XIV. State Council & Committee Reports

#### a. \*CAPEA-Philomena Hall

Chris Adams discussed the clear administrative credential process and how the University is structuring their course work. What role will ACSA and the University take in assisting applicants through the mentor process of obtaining an administrative credential? Universities are lobbying the CTC on the requirements needed to obtain the administrative credential. The next meeting is on April 20<sup>th</sup>. The previous meeting was on-line and it was simple and convenient. ACSA is taking a proactive roll on the credentialing issues facing administrators.

#### b. Retirement-David Francis

The meeting was last weekend in Sacramento at the CTA office. STRS counselors will now be at six regional centers as opposed to each county. Our current location will be located in Fresno. There were two pension initiatives slated for the 2016 election year. These initiatives have ceased efforts since there was not enough money to fund them. It is speculated that this will resurface in two years when there is an expected downturn in the economy. Sub and teacher





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shortages were addressed, and there are twenty pieces of legislation being presented to address these shortages. Also discussed were filling vacant positions with retirees, which will require a timeline and board resolution. STRS will give approval if the process is followed and honored. SPED and credentialing were also in forefront. There was also discussion about the death benefit STRS members have in their STRS retirement benefits. Lastly, The "We Care" conference is June 21<sup>st</sup> through June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Teri Rufert motioned that the expenses be paid for Region XI to be represented at the June "We Care" conference. The motion was seconded by Valerie Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### c. \*Urban Education-Diane Cox

PBIS and intervention strategies will be a topic of discussion.

d. \*Adult Education-John Werner

A presentation on the Adult Ed Block Grant was presented. The Powerpoint is available in the dropbox.

e. \*Business Services-Robert Groeber

The state legislatures are backing the facilities bond. The child development block grant is still under discussion, and won't be resolved until 2017-18. The teacher shortage is also under discussion.

## f. \*Classified Leaders-Jeannette McDonald

The breakout sessions at the Redondo Beach meeting was well attended and lawyers presenters. A self strand will be at the leadership conference.

g. \*Curriculum and Instruction-Jeremy Powell (April Meeting)
ag retreat is scheduled for next week Thursday and Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

A planning retreat is scheduled for next week Thursday and Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in Ontario.





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  - XV. Other
    - a. California Consulting-Matthew Park

California Consulting was moved to the beginning of the meeting.

b. AXA-Len

Len encouraged all members to check your financial planning in STRS.

### XV. Upcoming Events

- a. March 11-13, 2016, Mid-State Conference
- b. April 3-4, 2016, Legislative Action Day
- c. April 7, 2016, Region Delegate Assembly
- d. May 4-5, 2016, State Delegate Assembly
- e. May 12, 2016, Region Board Meeting/Region Awards Luncheon

XVI. Next Region Delegate Assembly

April 7, 2016, at Hodel's Restaurant

XVII. Other Announcements

None

XVIII. Drawing

A raffle and prizes were distributed to attendees!

XIX. Adjournment *Adjourned at 11:02 am*