



**Middle Grades Education Leaders Council Business Meeting #3
March 25, 2025
Region 7 Council Report
Rep/Council Secretary: Matthew Hutsell**

Council Business and Highlights

- **ACSA Governmental Relations Update**
 - MGEL council members provided updates and highlights from the Legislative Action in Washington DC. This included updates on how recent EO's have impacted the Department of Education.
- **“Addressing Challenging Student Behaviors” Matthew Hutsell presentation for uniting staff and school culture to support student behavior and staff responses.**
- **California Career Resource Network**
 - Shared a new curriculum available to support California middle schools. Schools can request a Middle School Career Exploration curriculum package from the MBA Research and Curriculum Center. Check the CalCRN report for details.
 - CalCRN's Project-based Learning Career and College Readiness Lesson Plans are expected to be posted by Summer of 2025. A video project is underway to help announce the new lessons. These lessons will be posted on the California Educators Together website for easy access to all California teachers.
- **Testing and accountability updates from CDE**
 - Included updates regarding the State Board of Education's update to terminology and descriptors for the statewide testing system.
 - Update on the growth of ICA/FIAB's across the state.

Council Action

- **CMGEL Service Recognitions (R1, R3, R5, R8)**
- **Keep the adopted MGEL goals for the 25-26 school year**
- **Members will work to find best practice related to sharing MGEL happenings at the charter and region levels**

Council Follow-Up

- **Alignment of Council Bylaws (Finish Revision)**
- **Explore AI options to address goal of sharing information beyond council meetings to members across the regions**