

**Virginia Advisory Committee Meeting
for
Career and Technical Education
April 23, 2009
CTE Resource Center, Richmond, Virginia**

MINUTES

In attendance: Virginia Jones, Byron Hinton, Elizabeth Russell, Sandy Hespe, Jerry Stewart, Judy Sorrell, Brenda Long, Cheryl Terry, Lan Neugent, Mervin Munoz, and Mike Mills.

Mike Mills called the meeting to order and welcomed the group to Richmond and the CTE Resource Center. The group then introduced themselves.

CTE Advisory Committee members whose term ends in 2009 are: Theresa Bryant and Johnny Cates. The following members have resigned: John Barnes (term was to end September 29, 2009, Tracee Carmean (term was to end September 29, 2009, and Franklin Harris (term was to end June 30, 2009). A Superintendent's Memo will be coming out asking for new members for the Council.

Public Policies Activities: presented by Brenda Long

Brenda shared a handout with the group, "Summary 2009 Virginia General Assembly" with highlights of the events of the 2009 General Assembly to include:

- **House Bill 2617** – Patron Matthew Lohr – This bill dealt with clarification for standards and assessments in the Virginia Code to be sure that in Code 22.1-253.13.3 Standard 3, Accreditation, other standards and evaluation included Career and Technical Education. The bill passed both House and Senate.
- **House Joint Resolution 678** – Patron Robert Tata – Study shortage of classroom teachers by State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the Virginia Community College System and to specifically explore methods to attract students to the VCCS for the first two years of teacher preparation program. This resolution was first sent to the Rules Committee, but was voted out of Rules and passed.
- **Budget** – As of now, funding stayed intact for CTE equipment and credentialing assessments. However, the CTE Resource Center was cut \$100,000. VACTE will continue to monitor the funding for the CTE Resource Center.

Department of Education Updates – presented by Liz Russell

- ***CTE Summer Professional Development Institute***
The Advisory Committee meeting at Summer Conference will be held August 4, 2009. Each member received a registration form that must be returned no later than **July 6, 2009 to Sandra Johnson**. The Governor has been invited and John Peterson, a CTE advocate will host two

breakout sessions on business partners—should be great presentations. We are looking at a start time of 9:30, will attend the VACTE Luncheon with breakout sessions in the afternoon. No definite plans have been made for when our board meeting will be held.

- **Funding and Budget Impacts on CTE at state and local levels**

In addition to what Brenda included in her report, stimulus funding through the Workforce Development has been distributed throughout the state.

The amount varies by region/area and is ever-changing.

VA Wizard may not be used as there seems to be an issue with the cost.

An RFP will go out and in the meantime, VA View is still available.

- **Latest projection on “new diplomas” (including technical diplomas)**

Guidance is still working on this but will go to the board by September.

- **Economic and Financial Literacy Update**

The details of how this requirement will be implemented are in the planning state. There are three options currently available: (1) There is a CTE Finance course already in place—we could use this course and simply add Economic standards to it; (2) Combine Economics and Finance standards; or (3) Develop a new course altogether.

Small divisions are concerned about credentialing for this program. Four divisions came to the board and were granted permission to require Finance for graduation.

The State CTE Advisory Council recommends that the current CTE Finance course be used with the economic component added.

Review of Vision Process – presented by Mike Mills

During lunch we reviewed the chart and made some additions and deletions.

The revised chart is included as part of the minutes of this meeting.

New Business

- Interviewing for the Trade & Industrial Specialist will begin.
- T & I competency lists will be revisited for 2 – 3 year programs.
- Lan Neugent commented on what a great event the FBLA State Competition was and what a great opportunity it was for young people to showcase their skills. Congratulations to all of the winners who will be traveling to Anaheim, California in June to the national competition.

Upcoming Meetings

June 8/9, 2009 -TBA

August 4, 2009 Local Advisory Council members are invited to attend the Summer Conference at the Richmond Convention Center.
(Additional)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Hespe, Secretary