

Virginia Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee Meeting

April 12, 2012

CTE Resource Center

2002 Bremono Road

Richmond, VA

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

MINUTES

In attendance:

Jane Foy, Alan Hawthorne, Sandy Hespe, Byron Hinton, Virginia Jones, Lynn May, Allan Melton, Frederick Norman, Chad Ratliff, Jerry Stewart, Jane Watkins, Daniel Woodley, Brenda Long, Lolita Hall. Guests: Emily Webb of the Governor's Office; Justin House, M.H. West & Co., Inc.; and Jaime Cook, HR Business Partner Director, Riverside Tappahannock Hospital.

In Robert Mayfield's absence, Jerry Stewart called the meeting to order and welcomed all to Richmond. Minutes from the January 18, 2012, meeting were presented and approved.

Byron Hinton introduced the guest speaker: Jaime Cook, Director, Human Resources and Development, Riverside Health System.

PRESENTATION: Future Medical/Hospital Personnel Needs – Jaime Cook

- 8,000 jobs over the month of March were available in hospitals and physician offices. The following areas are in high demand and have a low supply of workers:
 - Nursing Assistants
 - Emergency Room RNs
 - Nursing Leadership (Managers/Directors)
 - Operating Room RNs
 - Surgical Technologist
 - Dieticians
 - Physical Rehabilitation Therapists
 - Respiratory Therapists
 - Medical Laboratory Techs (MT/MLT)
- The following are skills that will help students be successful:
 - Operating Skills – critical thinking, time management
 - Relationship Skills – customer focus, interpersonal
 - Technical Skills – computer, job specific
- Developing Future Healthcare Talent:
 - Early Preparation:
 - Develop critical thinking skills – purposeful judgment associated with decision making and problem solving, characterized by analysis, reasoning interpretation, knowledge and open-mindedness.
 - Develop interpersonal skills – the “people skills” by which one establishes a connection with another person through verbal and nonverbal activities.
 - How can this be accomplished?
 - Role playing, discussion on true stories, volunteering in the community or participating in a shadowing or internship experience.
- Partnerships:
 - Encourage interest in Healthcare professions:
 - Wants to make a difference in lives of others
 - Enjoys problem solving
 - Customer service oriented

VACTE UPDATE: Brenda Long

- It is time to begin putting together the Issues and Solutions document for 2013.
- The CTE Resource Center has had a budget reduction of 38% over the last 2 years—that needs to be restored.
- Status of House Bills 642, 1061, 1108, 1215, and 95 along with Senate Bills 513, 514 were shared in a great handout.
- VACTE will update and distribute the FAC sheet in the fall.

VDOE Update: Lolita Hall

- Perkins state plan has been approved with a 2.7 million dollar reduction.
- It is important to stay focused – adjust regardless of state budget.
- The number of STEM Academies across the state expect to double over an 18 month period, which is fantastic.
- Schools have been requested to identify their best practices for the implementation of Virginia’s 16 career clusters and create a 3-5 minute video. Selected applications received a \$2,000 grant. These are due toward the end of April.
- The Annual Report to the State Board of Education is tentatively scheduled May 24, 2012 at 9 a.m.. Robert will be making the presentation.
- A memo has gone out requesting one new CTE advisory council member. Preference is to have representation from Region VI.
- A current data snapshot was shared indicating the number of Virginia high school students enrolled in Health Sciences across the state – total: 6,968; Health Sciences Credentials earned by CTE students in Virginia, as well as the top occupational projections, median wage, projected employment numbers, and education needed for entry level positions for occupations in the Health Sciences field. This was totally in line with the information that was shared by our guest speaker today.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Marketing – there seems to be a disconnect with recruiting efforts and CTE students. Why aren’t folks using the video located on the Web site? Schools should partner with business as business knows how to get results—maybe business folks could shadow principals, “Board Room to Classroom” is an example of this in the greater Richmond area sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.
- Curriculum – tracking lots of data—need benchmarks to improve. The VDOE has requested the CTE advisory committee to set benchmarks for technical skills attainments – a consultant will facilitate this process. This process will begin at the June meeting.
- Executive – Robert is preparing report for the state board presentation. Next fall, we should be prepared to nominate officers.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Chad shared the list of Hall of Fame sponsors and indicated that the funds go to scholarships for CTE students in Virginia.
- Fred shared information on how Harvard University partnered with Chesterfield classrooms for the Transforming Engagement of Students in Learning Algebra (TESLA) initiative. All Chesterfield math and special education teachers learned how to deliver TESLA lessons to their students. The Harvard Graduate School of Education is researching the relationship between technology-based motivational activities and student interest in careers in science, technology, engineering and math.

The meeting was adjourned by Jerry Stewart.

Our next meeting will be held **June 14, 2012** at the Doubletree Hotel at the airport in Richmond beginning at 9 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Hesper, Secretary