

## Meeting Minutes

### Program Committee:

- Business Admin & Marketing
- Communication/Information Technology
- Engineering, Manufacturing & Design
- Health Sciences
- Human Services

**DATE** 05/27/15

### ATTENDANCE:

#### Business/Industry Members Present:

Name:	Company:
Tony Wisniewski	Hotstart Inc.
Evie Lawry	Apprenticeship
Paul May	CTE GAC Chair
Scott Johnson	Wagstaff

#### Teachers/Educational Members Present:

Name:	School:
Rich Hein	CVSD
Jim Wood	Freeman SD
Mark Bitz	SVT
Dan Obenchain	CVSD
Lisa Williksen	EVSD
Eric Groshoff	WVSD
Bill Close	EVHS
David Leinweber	WVHS
Debbie Reeder	WVSD
Sal Lorenzen	SVT
Ron Beard	CVSD

### READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*(does not require a motion; may be approved as submitted if there are no corrections)*

Minutes from March 18, 2015 were discussed. Motion was made to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded. March 18, 2015 meeting minutes approved and signed.

This was the last meeting of the 2014-2015 school year.

#### Meeting schedule for the 2015-2016 School Year

- Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 8:00am – location TBD
- Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at 8:00am – location TBD
- Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at 8:00am – location TBD
- Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 8:00am – location TBD

### REPORTS

- ***Please continue to invite new business/community colleagues and teachers to attend our advisory committee meetings.***

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **First Robotics**

- West Valley School District did a great job of hosting
- PNW chapter of First Robotics is training WV to be the area host of competitions.
- We discussed recommendations for future competitions
  - Changing the orientation of the pits 90 degrees to avoid the power cables
  - Discussed that it was difficult for the judges and inspectors to meet with students
- Pacific Northwest Championship
  - 30 of the 63 teams have moved onto the International Competition
  - PNW chapter is very competitive and PNW Championship scores for schools that didn't move onto International competition were often higher than the scores of other schools/states that got in.
  - PNW Championship was above International competition level of rigor
- WVHS – placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in local competition, (they were one team away from International competition), were alliance captains and competed in the finals at CWU.
- CVHS – won the Judges award, their cooperative score was very high, overall it was a good season and they improved throughout the year. CV also hosted a “rodeo” evening to allow all kids to have chance to drive the robots. Kids had a great time and Medical Lake joined in on the evening fun.
- EVHS – had a rough time with mechanical issues at WV meet, but rallied back to take 17<sup>th</sup> place at CWU competition.
- Overall First Robotics is growing in participation numbers across all of the schools.
- CVHS (Ron Beard) offered to bring their robots to community and business events

### **Vex Robotics**

- Sal Lorenzen from SVT announced that there is now a Vex Robotic field available at SVT for others to use
- SVT has a student from Skills USA who is going to the Skills USA Nationals this summer.

### **Tabled Discussion Topics**

- **Project Based Learning**
  - Already integrated into each course. Discussed teachers and business leaders talk regularly to look for more real life projects that can be completed within the classroom.
- **Communications with Community**
  - Ongoing need that is beyond the scope of our committee, but we should regularly discuss and brainstorm ideas and ways to inform the community about the great career opportunities
  - Recommendation was made to teachers to invite Kyle West from the Workforce Development Council to come in and talk to your classes, school, counselors

### **2014-2015 Committee Goals**

#### **School Wide SCC tour –**

- **Successes:**
  - 98 students
  - Students loved the different programs and seeing programs they were interested in
  - Registering help at SCC

- February time frame worked well
- Overall everyone felt it was a success and should be continued/expanded
- **Concerns to address:**
  - More hands on activities for students
  - Too many options and too frequent changing directions
  - Aviation very popular yet only one session
  - too many students
  - freshman
  - teachers keep to scheduled tours and not ask for individual tours
  - Overall school tour wasn't necessary
- **Ideas for 2016 tour:**
  - Modify the day's schedule to the following
    - Morning session students select either Building 28 and CAD programs OR Auto/Diesel/Heavy Equipment
    - Lunch and Registration as a whole group
    - Aviation (all schools bus over to aviation at the same time)
  - Plan for November 2015 for Seniors and February 2016 for Juniors and Seniors
  - Have set questions for teachers to ask the presenters if students don't ask
  - Have hands-on activities for students at most of the presentations
  - Create somewhere between 2 different tours
    - Junior tour have running start flair and graduation/career ideas
    - Senior have registering for SCC programs flair
  - Discussed that it would be good to somehow involve/invite parents too.
  - Discussed possibility of linking a tour with a career fair flair
- Ramona, from SCC, plans to track the 28 registered students to see how many actually attend and in what programs. We're hoping their attendance rate is higher than normal. And as time progresses we want to collect data on what percentage of these students who attend graduate and get jobs. We're hoping their retention rate is higher and along with employment data.
- Goal complete and voted to be added to 2015-2016 committee goals

#### **Course Frameworks –**

- WVHS brought Framework Advisory sign off sheets for the committee to sign. Sheets were signed and returned.
- Susan Christensen is creating a Framework summary outline to be used by all advisory committees next time to help with the approval/review process.
- Goal Complete

#### **Industry Job/Internship Placements –**

- Several students have had the opportunity to participate.
- Wagstaff has hosted students from NIC, NewTech and SCC
- Goal Complete

#### **Community Education –**

- This goal has been absorbed into the GAC committee goals, thus no action by our advisory committee.

## NEW BUSINESS

### State Legislative Measures

We discussed the one day teacher walkout and the reasons teachers were taking action. The following concerns were raised and it was asked that everyone to please contact their state legislators via phone or email. Some areas of concern are:

**CTE COLA** – currently the state funds CTE courses at a higher rate than traditional courses because CTE courses are more expensive to host because of technology, tools and materials. The current extra funding is set to expire in 2 years and the fear is that schools will choose to not offer CTE courses if they are more expensive than a traditional courses.

**Class Size and Funding** – Washington ranks 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation for class size. Washington voters twice passed state initiatives to reduce class sizes (I-728 in 2000 and I-1351 in 2014). The state no longer funds I-728 and plans to re-write I-1351 to only fund K-3 classes.

**Local Levy funds** – State plans to collect 75% of local levy funds to then re-distribute instead of staying with the local districts.

**Funding Education** – Few people realize that our state legislature is currently in contempt of court for not fully funding education per the McCleary lawsuit in which the Supreme Court ruled in favor of education.

**COLA** – The voters of Washington passed I-732 to provide education employees a COLA. The legislature has failed to fund it for the past 7 years, while giving themselves an 11% raise this past year. Education salaries are now 13% behind inflation.

### Manufacturing Expo

- Mark your calendars... September 29, 2015 is the Manufacturing Expo in Spokane.
- Guest speaker at dinner on September 28<sup>th</sup> - topic will be improving In House Quality Assurance. Dinner will be in the Liar Building at SCC.

### 2015-2016 Committee Goals

#### 1) SCC Tour

- Have 2 tours
  - November 2015 for seniors
  - February 2016 for junior and seniors
- See discussion notes from 2014-2015 goals above for details

#### 2) Professional Networking

- Provide a forum for teachers and business leaders to have an opportunity to share ideas/solutions/etc.
- Topics to discuss
  - Real Projects to complete within the classroom
  - Gender bias – how do we get more females into manufacturing and engineering/manufacturing classrooms
  - Internship possibilities

- Community awareness of the great career opportunities

### 3) Cross-Crediting

- Large need to provide cross crediting with Core 24 arriving on the school scene next year. We need to regularly discuss what is being implemented in each and every district to share creative ideas.
- Mark Bitz to keep us informed on the cross-crediting efforts of Core Plus Initiative

### 4) Certifications

- Need to keep communications lines open between business leaders and schools as to which certifications students should be leaving our classrooms with and be viewed positively by local businesses.
- One idea was to bring business HR teams in to talk to the teachers.

## PRESENTATIONS/OTHER

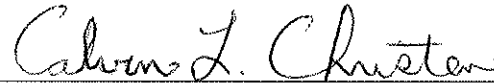
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## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:15am

Cal Christen

NAME OF CHAIR



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