

ACOVA Board Meeting Minutes
Westin – Tucson, Arizona
July 20 2015

Meg Giancesello, ACOVA President began the meeting at 11:30 a.m. There were 55 members present.

Meg explained the purpose of the blue index cards that are on the table. These cards were for questions and concerns. After ACOVA reviews these the information will be shared with the group. Mentor/Mentee Mixer will be in the bar at Westin in the evening from 5 to 6 p.m. Our next meeting will be the Mini M&M on September 16 after the local director's meeting. Update from Camp M&M regarding assessments – Practice test in the Fall, Final in the Spring. Students take Fall assessment and if they pass the director (or district designee) can then switch the test results from practice to final. The rest of the students can take the final assessment in the Spring. We will work with Jeanne to get detailed info to everyone at a later date. Please keep ACOVA in the loop if you have issue with technology.

Polly Abraham, ACOVA Secretary presented the minutes from the February Business Meeting. There were no corrections, the minutes were accepted.

Jill Ranucci, ACOVA Treasurer presented the current ACOVA Financial Report. She explained the three documents that she handed out. She explained that interest is not included in this report but can be seen on the quarterly reports available on the website under minutes. Jill went on to ask everyone to see if their districts have paid the \$10 for the Spring Basic Grant workshops. The budget was accepted

Meg gave information about the ACOVA Sponsored Scholarship – ACOVA gave \$8000 in scholarships to the following students

- William Babyar, Estrella Foothills
- Riley Fite, Safford High
- Matthey Focht, Highland High
- Keilen Kelly, Paradise Valley
- Taylor Merrick, Safford
- Dustin Queen, Camp Verde
- Courtney Schmelter, JTED@Mountain View
- Joshua Troub,, Buckeye Union

She explained that the monies have been raised thanks to all of the members of ACOVA. Jill and Meg will send each of them a letter and the check will be sent directly to the college, university. There will be a session at Fall Conference providing additional information on how to complete the application.

Lisa Doll, President of ACTEAz, spoke about advocacy and some of the positive things going on. We need people to bring people into their schools and show them what is going on. We need to have everyone selling our story. Thanks to the efforts Marlo Loria has done with I am CTE. Make it positive, invite them.

Lisa Doll shared information about the AZ CTE Curriculum Consortium. She also explained the Curriculum Guides & Curriculum Content that is available not just through the wiki, but also on the ADE CTE Website under each of the technical standards. Take the assessment test results and align them to the content and measurement criteria. Implementation is what the concept is on the test. The vocabulary from the test is also listed on the guide. Lisa will come to the schools and provide a brief presentation of the wiki.

Meg shared an update on Methods of Teaching CTE (Rookie Training). 137 teachers have attended this training in the past five years. The students sent emails to ACOVA and Meg will forward the emails to the directors for this info. Several directors echoed the teacher's positive responses of the importance of this training. Training is also good for academic teachers moving from academic to CTE.

Marlo Loria, provided a follow up for I am CTE. 2500 shirts were purchased. To get more shirts, people can go the website and click on the google survey. Fill out form and what sizes and quantity are needed. The logo will be on site as well and can print our own shirts. Not a proprietary logo so it changed. Not a rally cry, but a celebration. There is an advocacy link on the website as well. Everyone needs to register to receive emails. Keeping everything positive but we need to prepare for worst case scenario. Jill explained the support that ACOVA is in support of helping fund this initiative. On Tuesday at 3:30 p.m., there will be media sessions for film and TV. In the green screen session there will be students telling other students stories. Nothing political, just great stories of students.

If you are going to advocate do NOT use school resources, use your home email, etc. Make sure that the teachers are aware of this. We need all CTE, not just STEM. Representative through out the entire state. The local legislators want to know about what is happening in their community. Press release, short stories, etc. Post features on you tube – send info to Marlo. An e-blast with all of the links will be sent out after the meeting.

Jimmy Wojcik shared our Program of Work – (Critical Issues) Advocacy, Pass and Be Done, (Advocacy) Communication with ADE, Professional Development (Leadership), and Professional Involvement (Community).

ACOVA Elections results

Lisa Anderson, President Elect

Jill Ranucci, Treasurer

Denise Zambos, Member at Large

Debbie McKintosh, Member at Large

Jimmy Wojcik, Incoming President presented certificates of recognition to past ACOVA Board members, those present were:

Cathie Raymond, Kathy Prather, Arlene McLaughlin, Tony Maldonado, Janet Hill, Lisa Doll
Certificates will be sent out to the additional members who were not here. There were over 83 members on the list that was compiled.

Jimmy Wojcik adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

The next business meeting will be during Fall Conference at the Prescott Resort on November 5-6, 2015.

Respectfully submitted
Polly Abraham, ACOVA Secretary