



fresno county superintendent of schools

Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION/FRESNO REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM

Janet Sloan, Executive Director

FRESNO ROP DISTRICT COORDINATORS MEETING SUMMARY May 4, 2023

Districts Present:

Staci Bynum	CART	Michelle Mar	Fresno Unified
Veronica Villarreal	Caruthers Unified	Manuel Rodrigues	Kerman Unified
Paul Birrell	Central Unified	Laura Toney	Madera Unified
Dr. Gregory Lomack	Clovis Unified	Hugo Sanchez	MCSOS
Bobbi Mahfood	Coalinga Unified	Dave Simpson	Riverdale Unified
Amy Moua	CTEC	Steve Rizzo	Washington Unified
Joe Hammond	FCSS Court	John Beck	Yosemite Unified

ROP Staff Present:

Janet Sloan	Executive Director	Will Betts	Program Assistant
Margo Perkins	Director	Kenny Lopez	K12 Pathway Specialist
Anthony Ayerza	Content Coordinator	Michelle Wong	K12 Pathway Specialist
Efrain Guizar	Content Coordinator		
Mike McColm	Content Coordinator		

Others Present:

Karen Boone	Clovis Unified
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Margo Perkins welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 2:01 p.m., which took place at the Fresno CTE/ROP office.

I. Curriculum Reports — Margo Perkins

Margo Perkins announced there were two new courses planned. Mike McColm stated Careers in Education 2 would be offered at Caruthers High School, which is in addition to their current Careers in Education course and will allow second-year students to be placed at a new site in Raisin City. This will be an a-g course and they are pursuing dual enrollment, as well. A second capstone course—Heavy Medium Duty Truck 2—will be offered to second-year students at Clovis West High School. They will be going after additional intern opportunities for students and making this an a-g course, as well. Margo stated an additional site for Careers in Education was being added to Central High School.

II. Finance/Legislation/Other — Janet Sloan

Janet Sloan gave an update on the governor's budget. There are discussions about a possible 8.22% COLA, but there's no clear understanding of how it, or Prop 98, would be

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funded. All our participating districts submitted their MOU, which was forwarded onto CDE, and they responded payment should be made in the next 4-5 weeks.

Janet provided a handout to District Coordinators regarding AB 377 which would combine funding between CTEIG and Strong Workforce. After “Legislation Day” in Sacramento, we were able to get several politicians to support our efforts, including Jim Patterson. We may need to request letters of support from our districts, as this legislation makes its way through the process in the senate.

Janet also gave an update on the Community Classroom fingerprinting issue. We finally have the support of a senator in Sacramento who will work on legislation which would correct the effects of the previous trailer bill that created our current situation. Also, our legal department has found a workaround for business partners that are corporations. Sole proprietors will still need the fingerprinting done, but FCSS will pay for and facilitate the process for our districts. In the upcoming school year, there will be two different contracts in use, depending on whether the business is a corporation or sole proprietor. Please contact Will Betts in advance if you’re not certain which contract to use. He will research the business and let you know whether it’s a corporation or sole proprietor.

Finally, Janet discussed a \$22 million grant from the Economic Development Corporation which is available for use in adult training programs for the Fresno, Madera and Tulare areas. The focus of this funding is to be applied toward the construction, welding, business services, and automotive fields. We are looking for districts to host classes at their school sites, utilizing your existing instructors. Funding would cover expenses for instructors, materials & supplies, and equipment. If your district would be interested or you have any questions, please contact Janet.

III. Fall Conference — Janet Sloan

Janet Sloan announced our Fall Conference will return to the Fresno Chaffee Zoo on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Plans are currently underway for this Fresno ROP 50th Anniversary event. Please be sure to have instructors request subs as soon as possible.

IV. K12 SWP Pathway Specialists Report — Kenny Lopez & Michelle Wong

Michelle Wong stated they are waiting for additional information regarding Round 5 of funding. Kenny Lopez reminded districts who received previous funds to spend the money before their deadline.

V. DS CTE Credential — Margo Perkins

Margo Perkins stated portfolio reviews were currently being scheduled for instructors in the CTE credential program. Also, the annual induction advisory just took place where Margo was able to share important program data. The program structure will remain the same for the upcoming school year with only a few modifications. There will be new, quarterly meetings for mentees to provide additional training. We will be going through accreditation in 2024-25 and are already working on preparations for that review of our program.

VI. Advisory Committee Meetings — Mike McColm

Mike McColm reported 270 people in attendance at this year's Advisory Night event at CTEC High School. A list was emailed to District Coordinators indicating which of their instructors met the requirements for the spring advisory meeting. Mike reminded districts that missing meeting minutes and sign-in sheets are due May 16, 2023. It was announced next year's Advisory Night would be taking place at Kerman High School on April 24, 2024.

VII. In-Class Student Survey — Margo Perkins

Margo Perkins sent an email out last week to District Coordinators explaining this year's In-Class Survey, along with the survey link. The information should be forwarded to instructors and the deadline for students to complete is May 19, 2023. Results will be shared with each district.

VIII. Year-End Checkout Procedures — Margo Perkins

Margo Perkins discussed two forms in the District Coordinator packets which will be used for the annual year-end checkout procedure. Please be prepared to review your district's plans for next year's courses.

IX. June Series — Anthony Ayerza

Following a survey sent to instructors, Anthony Ayerza stated final plans were being made regarding this summer's June Series workshops. More information will be shared, once instructors, school sites and other specifics are known. Pathways the series will focus on are automotive, manufacturing, constructions, and culinary arts.

X. Other

Mike McColm gave an update on districts which participated in the LAPSEN national certification process. School sites he recognized were: Clovis East High School, Washington Union High School, Kerman High School, Firebaugh High School, Central High School, and Caruthers High School. Two non-ROP schools also earned national certification status—Lincoln Technical Academy (Lodi) and Bullard High School (Fresno).

Margo Perkins concluded the meeting by reminding District Coordinators about our end of year BBQ at Scout Island on May 17, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.



DATES TO REMEMBER

2023

September 13 Fall Conference – Fresno Chaffee Zoo
October 18 Career Tech Expo – Chukchansi Park