

## **Adult, Alternative, and Career Technical Education**

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### **MAJOR POLICY** – Immediate Action (2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote required)

None

### **MAJOR POLICY** – Second Reading

None

### **OTHER ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION**

1. That the CTA President writes a letter to the CTC requesting that new pathways to obtaining a CTE (Career Technical Education) credential be explored.
2. That the CTA will where appropriate provide assistance to consortia in applying for the California Career Pathways Trust grants.

### **REFERRALS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

1. That CTA provide release time for members to attend legislative hearings and/or meetings regarding issues pertaining to the AB 86 Adult Education realignment.
2. That the CTA President writes a letter to Tom Torlakson and Chancellor Brice Harris emphasizing the importance of the inclusion of educators on the AB 86 Adult Ed Realignment Expert Panels. As there is no educator representation on the AB 86 Workgroup, educator input is crucial to the success of realignment. This would be a complimentary letter to one being sent by CFT on the same issue.
3. That CTA investigate the cost of ten banners with the ACT committee name and CTA logo to be displayed at various ACT functions.

## **MATTERS PENDING**

1. Online Learning Policy language

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. The committee is putting together talking points to promote Career Technical Education to School Boards, business leaders and Industry to help them understand the importance of CTE.
2. CalHOSA will be bringing materials and students to showcase their programs at our CTE tables at the March State Council.
3. Our January 11 Manufacturing Education Summit was a great success. A second summit has been scheduled tentatively for March 15 in San Jose.

## **Liaison Summary Manufacturing Educational Summit**

**Jan 11, 2014**

**Sponsored by CTA**

- All parties were very open to discussion on CTE / Manufacturing issues. SME's new CEO came out from Dearborn, Michigan. CITEA had 4 officers there, all from No Cal. (Another partner was there from Vital Link in Orange County. Vital link is a Non Profit that works in Orange County to involve business partners in all areas of CTE. Kathy Johnson is the director)

Industry supporters were few but very engaged in our conversation.

Issues of how to get more programs running hit the stumbling block of the lack of teachers. Programs can be on the rise, but there is a shortage of teachers. This is due to issue of the pathways available to get a CTE credential. This was explained in detail to our Industry partners.

CTA staff, Cindy Heller, Wendy Plew and Mike Egan explained to SME and Industry how Sacramento works, how education works and the slow boat to China.

- All parties were appreciative of CTA taking a hard look at CTE and the needs and concerns, specifically manufacturing.
- A comment was made by John Chocholak, a past CITEA president and current board member, AND, CTA's worst critic over the last 10 yrs. He stated he was very appreciative to see CTA at the forefront of this event and hopes all parties will continue to work together in the future.

### **DON'T Fall Off your seats**

- Conversations after the event with SME's Kathy Looman, Vital links Kathy Johnson, and the Industry partners, Ernie Husted from Verisurf and Robert Page from our host Sandvik were positive. Everyone was skeptical at the first but were overwhelmed with the fact that CTA proposed another meeting to come up with an action plan. This wasn't just lip service. Kathy Johnson said this is the first meeting she had gone to where any organization actually had a goal and wanted to implement something, wanted an outcome. Usually it takes 3 or 4 meetings to get that far she said. That's it in a nut shell.

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