



CTE Directors Joint Meeting Notes

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

Thanksgiving Point, Garden Room

Handouts for this meeting can be found on the Directors OneDrive. For more information contact Utah CTE 801-538-7865.

Joint Meeting

Presenter

1. **Welcome and Introductions** *Thalea Longhurst, Blair Carruth, and Jared Haines*

Thalea introduced USBE's new CTE Coordinator Jonathan Frey. Blair did a quick USHE update highlighting topics including: BAS degree, new UVU president, Snow College president search, concurrent enrollment access, Utah higher education tuition is third lowest in the nation, Utah student loan debit is the lowest in the nation, and Utah higher education rankings. Jared shared a quick UTech update including: Michael Bouwhuis is the new acting Commissioner of Technical Education and Kim Ziebarth is the acting President of Davis Technical College. Jared explained there is a Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission and the laws around this commission.

2. **The Year of Technical Education and UTech Scholarships**

Jared Haines

Jared shared an update on the new UTech Scholarship. This year the only program that qualifies under the law is Computer Tech. They will be working with legislators to make changes to the new program to include all 4 and 5 star jobs. This will allow the scholarship to be applied to more employment areas.

Jared then shared an update on the Year of Technical Education. A spreadsheet and website was shared about more information on the regional townhall meetings.

3. **WIOA One Stop Partners**

Kim Bartell and Zac Whitwel

American Job Centers keys to success is collaboration. They shared what services they can provide for students and adults.

4. **Civil Rights Review**

Murray Meszaros

Murray shared information about civil rights reviews along with a handout of what LEAs need to know about civil rights reviews.

5. **Lessons Learned from a Federal Monitoring Visit and Perkins Updates**

Thalea Longhurst and Wendi Morton

Thalea shared a PowerPoint and handout on the highlights of the new Perkins V legislation that just passed. Wendi shared the September Updates on the Financial Spreadsheets. See handouts in the OneDrive.

6. **Portrait of a Graduate**

Darin Nielsen, and Thalea Longhurst

Thalea explained the Utah Board of Education is conducting focus groups about what a Utah high school graduate should look like. With the full group Thalea and Darin conducted a mindset brainstorming/study session. Final thoughts from each participant were collected and information will be taken back to the Board.

Utah Excellence in Action Awards Luncheon

2018 Award Winner: Bear River Region – AM STEM

An award presentation was made, and the program partners were recognized.



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Secondary Meeting

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1. Welcome

Thalea Longhurst

2. USBE Staff Changes, Calendar, USBE Branding, DWS Resources

Thalea Longhurst

Rachel Bolin, Health Science Education Specialist, moved with her family to Idaho. We are in the process of reorganizing and intend to hire a new specialist. If you have Health Science questions, please talk to Thalea Longhurst. Attached to the Director's OneDrive is the updated CTE calendar. Thalea talked about CTE branding and making sure LEA and school websites are up to date. CTE Branding handout, website inventory spreadsheet, and suggested items on a model CTE website are in the OneDrive. Consortium Directors suggested that USBE review districts and school websites as part of program quality review. Thalea also shared a handout/website with DWS/labor market information resources. Also, remember that Presidential Scholar nominations are due October 26 to Andrea Curtin. The nomination form was sent out a couple weeks ago via email.

3. CTE Programs Produce Results

Edson Barton

Edson Barton from Precision Exams shared information about the importance of Career and Technical Education, how CTE programs are industry driven, and how CTE programs produce results. One important statistic is that the state graduation rate is 85% and CTE concentrator graduation rate is 96%. Precision Exams is working with industry partners to give value to CTE course strands and exams through their new rating tool.

4. Skill Cert Update/V2

Robert Kilmer/Greg Richens

Robert Kilmer shared the skill certification update. Highlights are:

- Robert was elected to fill a 2nd term as the chair of the Skill Certificate Program Committee.
- Since a new funding allocation for tests has been implemented that essentially sets an equal value for all exams, the weighting of exams has become important. Different scenarios for weighting exams was discussed. The committee tasked Greg to come up with a rubric that will be used by specialists to determine test weighting.
- Two new reports are available in the system. The first is an expanded version of the teacher standards report called the "Proctor Standards Report." The second is called the "Assessment Standards Report" which will allow an LEA to drill down by school to see how they are performing on each test based on the standards.
- There has been a change in verbiage on the Performance part of the CTE exams. "Performance Skills" will now be used in place of "Performance Objectives" and Greg has changed the Performance Document that teachers must complete and turn into districts to reflect the new verbiage.
- Three new Industry exams were approved by the committee: Ethical Hacking Associate – Certiport, Cyber Forensic Associate – Certiport, Unity - Certiport
- A new CTE exam and subsequent skill certificate has been added to the program attached to the Work Based Learning course called the "21st Century Success Skills Exam."

5. Assessment Updates

Darin Nielsen

SAGE testing has ended and a new vendor will provide the RISE assessment. The state legislature changed the testing requirements. There will be testing for 3-8 and 9-12 grades. They will use the ACT in 9th and 10th.

6. Educator Licensing Update

Travis Rawlings

The Board is working on establishing new licensing rules. It is expected that there will be two licensing structures – an Associate license and a Professional license. The Board is also anticipating making changes to make it easier for out-of-state teachers to become licensed in Utah.

7. CTE Funding Update

Wendi Morton

Annual CTE Finance Training will be held September 25th for Post-Secondary Directors and October 4th for secondary directors. Support staff and business administrators that might benefit from this training are welcome. New directors are required to take this training. Wendi shared the September update documents: FY19 CTE September Update – Big Spreadsheet, FY19 Summer Ag, FY19 Work-based Learning, FY19 College and Career Awareness, FY19 CTSO, FY19 Skill Cert, and FY19 CCGP. Make sure that your CTE Director's assignment is set correctly in CACTUS.

8. Pathway Updates/Program Approvals

Jonathan Frey

Program approvals will be moving to a 4-year rotation with 5 standards of qualities. We will be referring to these visits as Program Quality Reviews instead of Program Approvals. There will be an administration visit shortly after the specialists visit to review the reports from specialists.

The SY19-20 CTE Pathways are complete and approved by the Board. These documents are on the website. There are 5 new pathways. There are not too many changes over-all. Teaching as a Profession is one of the new pathways with strands ready for TAP 1 and TAP 2. There will be skills tests for these courses. TAP 3 standards will be written this year. There will be three foundation courses and 9 elective courses. Teachers will be encouraged to have students that are interested to join Educators Rising as the CTSO organization. There is no fee for joining at the national level. We don't have a state organization in place at this point but will look to add it in the future.

The course spreadsheet is almost finalized. Jonathan showed a copy. He will be posting it on the Directors OneDrive under the folder "Course Code List" very soon.

9. School Counseling

Kim Herrera

Make sure you have your counselor assignments correct in CACTUS by October 1, because this is when we pull the data for the counselor ratio. Kim shared the 2018-19 School Counseling Calendar. A new training will be provided for CTE Directors supporting school counseling. This will be done through the Zoom platform. The link will be sent to directors. This will be especially helpful to rural directors. It will be held on October 24th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. We are excited that we received the extra funding from the legislature for elementary school counseling. Kim shared "all tracking FY19" for performance evaluations. Evidence box training is available in the OneDrive. There is a 6-year rotation for School Counseling reviews. Remember that data projects and funding requests are due June 1st each year.

10. Non-Trad and WBL Online Courses

Travis Cook

Travis shared a handout regarding the new Work-based learning CTE skill certification test: 21st Century Skills. Online courses are available through UEN that will help meet endorsement obligations. These courses are good information for all CTE teachers.