

Trade and Industrial Education Division Policy Meeting Minutes Vision 2015 – New Orleans, LA

- I. Meeting called to order at 11:30am
 - a. Welcome remarks by Alex Gromda
 - b. Appoint a Recorder- Mary Cook
 - c. Introductions of attendees -Alex Gromada, Mike Short, Eric Kastner, Andy Wermes, Ed Sullivan, Gary Weese, Mary Cook, Joe Stemrich, Debra Tripp, Joe Demarko, Jena Raya, LeAnn Wilson
- II. Welcome SkillsUSA National Officer(s) - None Present
- III. Minutes of the Vision 2014 T&I Policy and Planning Meeting (Review & Approve)
Motion made, second to approve 2014 minutes.
- IV. Approval of today's Agenda
Motion made, second to approve agenda.
- V. T&I Presidents Report (Alex Gromada)
Briefed committee on the selection and process of the T&I Vice president candidates. Thanked Chuck Gallagher, Henry Johnson, and Gary Weese for their assistance in vetting the T&I VP Elect nominees. Total of three nominees submitted with two moving forward. Third candidate that did not get selected still has the option of running from the floor in the Business meeting. Candidates will have platform speech at Business meeting.

Briefed committee on T&I session proposal reviews for this year's conference. Total of 22 Submittals with 16 making the final cut for presentations at the conference. Thanked Cathy Cook, Andy Wermes, Laura White, Chad McDonald, and Greg Hefele for taking the time to review and evaluate the proposals.

Announced that we once again have a full slate of awardees for this year's Business meeting. While the committee had approved recognizing two New Teacher awardees each conference, our nominees for New Teacher did not permit that. However, we did have two deserving candidates for the lifetime achievement award and we optioned to shift our additional award to that category for this year. Thanked the award committee members, John Gaal, Mark Johnson, and Luke Steinke for their hard work in vetting the division awardees this year.

Alex mentioned that he would be reaching out to policy members on a more regular basis to help plan a next year's Vision conference. Looking for ideas on providing a better experience and value for our members. Comments were made that in addition to our normal proposal reviews we could survey our members on what their interests would be for sessions at Vision. Having a reception was also proposed, but many committee members commented that

this is an expensive activity and the T&I budget would not support it. If we were to have a reception, it would have to be supported by an outside entity.

Alex shared that we will have a table set up during the Expo networking session and encouraged policy members to share with our membership and encourage them to stop by to discuss what is happening with T&I.

A motion was made by Gary Weese to pay expenses incurred for Vision conference from the T&I budget. Second by Andy Wermes and approved by members present.

- VI. T&I Awards (Dr. John Gaal) Unable to attend – See comments by Alex Gromada above.
- VII. ACTE Standing Committee Reports-
 - a. By-Laws: (Julius Dean Baker)-not here. Some recommendations have been made by the ACTE legal counsel.
 - b. Nominating: (Gary Weese)-over next two years 8 new people on the board of directors. 5 in 2016 and 3 in 2017. Division struggles to find VP Elect nominees, but this year we have two very strong candidates. Will be hard to decide president of ACTE as all candidates are strong.
 - c. Resolutions: (Mike Short)-meeting not till 5:30pm today.
- VIII. ACTE Task Force Reports
 - a. International Task Force (Alex Gromada)- trying to get the international members more involved with the ACTE. ACTE is hosting an International Member listing session during Visio. ACTE wants to identify what we can do to make this conference more valuable for International Members.
- IX. Regional Reports
 - a. Region I (Dave Keaton – Division VP *Interim*)-in other meetings
 - b. Region II (Open)-No Report
 - c. Region III (Andy Wermes)-See Written Report on T&I Webpage
 - d. Region IV (Gary Weese)-Welcome and enjoy New Orleans, have great membership in attendance for conference. Looking at San Antonio for a future ACTE Vision Conference.
 - e. Region V (Kenneth Holmes)-could not attend.
- X. Affiliate Reports
 - a. SkillsUSA (Tim Lawrence)- could not attend but will be at business meeting
 - b. ASTS (Ed Sullivan)-increase of 30 members bringing total to almost 400 members, getting retired off list. Certification for teachers going well, first master certified teacher. Meeting 4-6 today for business meeting and will have presentations. Looking for anyone interested in joining, receive a

monthly newsletter, articles welcome. Carpenters joined in, website is updated, with cert, members and lesson plans.

- c. ACTE Executive Director, LeAnn Wilson Thanked everyone on the T&I policy committee for their support of T&I and ACTE. Mentioned that ACTE Vision is shaping up to be a record year and the fiscal health of ACTE is strong. ACTE is continuing to find new ways to connect with members and create value.

XI. Division VP Elect –

Election Starts during Vision and runs until December 20, 2015. All electronic voting. You will receive your electronic ballot through email. Be sure to verify that your email service does not block communications coming from ACTE.

- a. Candidates – Two Strong Candidates, Kelly Almond from Georgia, and Julius Dean Baker from Oklahoma. Each will deliver their platform speech during the business meeting.
- b. Running From Floor – We do have the possibility of a candidate running from the floor and an opportunity will be made for that to occur during our Business meeting.

XII. Unfinished Business

- a. Last year we were tasked with revising our policy manual to align with ACTE national policies. After review, it was determined that T&I Policy Manual already aligned with ACTE National. No further action was needed at this time.
- b. Website updates-few changes made with and good input from members. Posted Division VP Elect candidates' info and information on Vision. Will post information on award recipients following Vision. Please continue to share ideas on how we can make it better.

XIII. New Business

A T&I member attending the policy committee meeting asked for assistance help getting the funding from his state to support his program. Relayed to the member that T&I directly could not work with his state in allocating funds. It is up to his state to determine how funding is distributed. However, ACTE through its legislative activities works with the federal government and can help you get in touch with your local legislators to address concerns. Other policy members advised to contact state about Perkins funding and how it's distributed. ACTE can assist with direction. Follow protocol and start with the school administrators then working up to State Department of education for the Perkins in your state.

XIV. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:10pm

T&I Business Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 1:15pm to 3:15pm
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center – Room 262