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The 2013 CTE Summer Conference is over and by the time you receive this newsletter another school year will have begun. I hope that all of you are off to a good start, and are anticipating lots of good things happening during the 2013-14 school year. The new leadership in your association is eager to serve, and I believe that you can expect this year’s leadership team to work hard and represent your association and your interests in a very professional and excellent manner.

Please note the Calendar of Activities included in this newsletter. Note that the Fall Professional Development Workshop and Board of Directors’ meeting will be October 17-19, 2013, at the DoubleTree by Hilton Brownstone in Raleigh, North Carolina. This year's Fall Professional Development Workshop will be providing an extra half day on Thursday afternoon for the purpose of providing information and training to state level committees. Our goal is to help all of our state level committees to realize their responsibilities and to have a realistic program of work in place.

Dave Simpson, our NCACTE Lobbyist prepares a weekly newsletter that is distributed via email on Fridays of each week. If you are not receiving this newsletter please send me an email requesting that you be added to the legislative newsletter distribution list.

Ruth Huff, your NCACTE President, has been busy getting her program of work organized for this fiscal year. A part of her emphasis for this year involves the special training that will be provided on Thursday, October 17th to state level committee people. As always, membership is a priority; and Ruth is asking everyone to do their part in helping to recruit new members for our association. It is also important that our current members renew their membership in a timely manner.

As a member of NCACTE you are representing yourself as a professional educator that cares about the future of career and technical education. The leadership of this organization is working hard to protect your interests in the political arena and to better inform the membership about current issues and trends. Note that this year the Raleigh Legislative Policy Seminar is scheduled for June 16-17, 2014, in Raleigh. This coming year will be a “short legislative session” for the General Assembly with legislators arriving in Raleigh sometime in May. Mark your calendars now and schedule this as a priority meeting that you should definitely attend. Thank you for your membership and for your involvement as a member of NCACTE.

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North Carolina Association of Career and Technical Educators
President’s Message

Ruth Huff, NACTE President

Another year has started and we are all busy with lesson plans, staffing and making sure all new initiatives are in place. Summer Conference was a success and I am sure each of you attended many beneficial workshops. As you plan your new year, remember to plan for NACTE activities and become an active member. Visit the website frequently for news, updates and the calendar of activities. There will be many opportunities for you to participate in some of the organizations activities.

As your new president I have chosen the theme “Mission Possible” for the year. We must continue to work diligently for our teachers and students. Your mission should you choose to accept involves increasing membership, becoming an advocate for CTE, being an active member and growing new divisions. You may select any team members to help, but it is essential that one team member be the president. We will have updates throughout the mission. You have less than 1 year to accomplish this mission. Time is ticking and we must start working.

Although we are concerned about the current state budget, you can be assured that our Legislative committee and lobbyist are working to continue support for career and technical education. You should follow Dave Simpson’s newsletter each week to be aware of new developments. It is up to each of us to keep our respective legislators aware of the great things we are doing in our programs as well as our needs to ensure our students are prepared for the workforce following graduation.

Share the news! We must share what is happening in career and technical education and in our association. I know we are all busy, but we want others to know about our endeavors. Just telling 2 or 3 other CTE persons could make a big difference in our membership. We need all teachers and administrators to join in our efforts. The Past Presidents committee is in the process of compiling a list of experienced association members who will be willing to go out to local LEA’s or civic organizations to spread the work. If you are in need of someone to present please let me know and we will find someone close to you that could help.

As I close I want to thank all those committee chairs and committee members that said yes as we selected the leadership team for this year. You can make a difference for all of us by being active and attending meetings. This year the committee chairs will be meeting with me before their respective committee meeting so we can all focus on our mission. I expect to see all of you at the fall meeting, October 17-19, 2013 in Raleigh. Our mission is possible with everyone working together. The handbook is already on the website for you to use to find who is responsible for each committee. If you need my assistance please feel free to contact me anytime.
From Your President-Elect

Brantley Murphy

Power School, Home Base, Haiku, School Improvement Team, Professional Learning Communities, Elements, Webinars, 1 to 1, Online Learning, Magnet Schools… The opening of this new school year has been filled with all sorts of new and/or newly revised “innovative” ways of doing the business of educating our students. Many school systems have lost teaching positions, or have had to shift teachers from one campus to another to accommodate population shifts and funding shortfalls. Some of us have been asked to teach courses that are new to us as a result of staff changes. It is true that we teachers have a number of reasons to complain about the challenges we face this year.

As we begin our new year, and get to know our new students, let us remember that they should be the focus of our energy. Our students look to us for support and guidance, but they also look at us as role models. Yes, we have more on our plates this year. We are being asked to take on more responsibilities and we may not be compensated for our extra efforts. Those of us who have been in education for a while understand that the more things change, the more they stay the same. We are career and technical education professionals. We should hold our heads high and be confident knowing that our roles are more important than ever. These new initiatives can mean exciting changes for our recordkeeping systems, and for our learning management systems. We can resist change and grumble when we are asked to learn new things, or we can embrace some new ideas, and set a good example and demonstrate the value of being a lifelong learner. Our students expect us to be optimistic and motivate them to do their best and take advantage of opportunities to grow. We should expect that level of excellence from ourselves as well.

If we will continue to focus on our students, and blend our proven teaching techniques with some of the new tools and strategies that we are being encouraged to use, the 2013-14 school year can be our best yet. Communicate with your local school leaders and administrators. Let them know what you are doing in your classrooms and labs. Don’t let go of the components that make our programs meaningful for students. Hands – on activities should never be completely replaced by a laptop, tablet, or phone, however we may benefit from revisiting the way we do the things we do. Take advantage of the opportunity to serve on leadership teams and advisory committees. CTE teachers can bring a perspective to those groups that can keep plans realistic and student – focused. Document what is going on in your program. Utilize media including class websites and the local newspaper. Share the positive messages of Career and Technical Education. Membership in NCATE is critical for teachers to maintain credibility, and to be viewed as a professional in their fields. We need to support each other as we face the challenges of this new year. Encourage new teachers in your school and school system to join NCATE and cultivate relationships with other members of their division across the state. Keep in mind that NCATE and ACTE have a number of award programs designed to recognize teachers who use innovative teaching techniques and are active NCATE/ACTE members. Maybe this is your year to apply and be recognized!

When times get tough, as they usually do, we can whine and complain, or we can plan to take action. NCATE members have experience, and insight that allows us to support each other and help new teachers survive those early years. Take advantage of that support system by joining or renewing your membership, and becoming an active NCATE member. Attend a conference, serve on a committee, and/ or apply for an award this year. Demonstrate the same optimism and initiative that you want in your students. They are watching us. Our actions speak louder that our voices ever will.
Greetings from the Administration Division! It is our hope that you found some time to rest and reenergize this summer and are ready to tackle the new year with enthusiasm and gusto. In spite of recent budget cuts, and tough decisions made by school districts all across our state, we are, nevertheless, grateful to be a part of NC ACTE as it continues to be a strong advocate for career and technical education.

The Administrative Division of NC ACTE is committed to promoting CTE by focusing our efforts in several areas as outlined in our Strategic Plan for SY 2013-14. Membership, Public Policy Advocacy, and Professional Advocacy are several areas in which we strive to improve. We understand that our division is only as strong as its individual members; therefore, we will make every effort to increase and maintain an active roster by promoting membership to those who are currently inactive. We hope to accomplish this by making application and benefit information readily available on the website, recruiting at director’s meetings, and promoting membership with business and industry partners. We have set a goal of increasing our membership by at least 10% this year.

We also want to increase awareness of CTE programs to local, state, and national legislative officials and decision makers. We will encourage our members to participate in legislative and public policy networks, understand the legislative platform, and work with the Legislative Committee to network among members, colleagues, and business leaders throughout their respective regions. In addition, we believe our lawmakers need to hear from our CTSO officers as they share their CTE success stories.

We encourage our members to increase their professional advocacy by attending professional development activities that will improve their knowledge of and leadership in NC ACTE--then actively promote these activities to other members, and business and industry partners. We believe it is important that our members seek credentials and certifications, and participate in local, state, regional, and national award programs.

One way we improve our knowledge, leadership, and professionalism is by attending workshops such as the one sponsored annually by NCDPI each summer. This year, we gained valuable information at the 2013 CTE Summer Conference held July 22-July 25, 2013, at the Sheraton Koury Center in Greensboro, NC. We heard updates from Mrs. Joanne Honeycutt, CTE State Director, on many topics including EVAAS and teacher effectiveness models, middle school MSL’s, Home Base, and honors course revisions and portfolios. We heard about revisions to the 40-hour induction program for provisionally licensed CTE teachers, and licensure updates. We attended a workshop on The Career Pathways Effect: Partnership Opportunities and the Administrator’s Role—collaboration between CORD and NASDCTEc. CTE administrators and our local community college representative were seated together at this workshop to allow for collaboration on leadership, partnership structures, advocating for career pathways, and sustaining growing partnerships. We also received informative program area updates from our section chiefs: Dr. Daniel Smith, Carol Short, and Felicia Gray-Watson.

Looking ahead, administrators are eager to travel to Asheville, located in the beautiful mountains of Western NC, September 23-25, 2013 for our Fall Conference which will be held at the Biltmore Estate. We will have an opportunity to participate in a panel discussion with our legislators, receive a legal update from a law group, learn about fiscal and policy guide updates and other relevant updates, and hear from the CEO of Biltmore, Mr. Bill Cecil. One of the most exciting items on the agenda is a behind-the-scenes tour of the Biltmore Estate to see how all the CTE clusters are represented at the Biltmore. I look forward to sharing more about that in a future newsletter. Until then...take time to enjoy the splendor of the Fall Season. “Autumn, the year’s last loveliest smile.”—Williams Cullen Bryant
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Guidance Division

Welcome Back!!! I hope that everyone had a great summer and is ready to “hit the ground running!” It’s 2013-2014 and there are so many exciting things coming down the pike. One of the items that I brought back from the CTE Summer Conference was the importance of joining business and industry with our schools. If you already have an established partnership with your local businesses, I would love to hear about it so that I can include it in the upcoming newsletters. In Harnett County, we have the Harnett County Business Education Partnership (otherwise known as the HCBEP). They have been helping our school system for over 20 years and help sponsor many of our Career Development events. For more information on the HCBEP (if you are in the Southeast Region), make sure to join us at our Regional Meeting in October. Also at Summer Conference, Miller-Motte College provided another GREAT reception to the Guidance and Special Needs Divisions. I wish that I would have gotten a picture of the food, but I was too busy eating.

Upcoming Regional Meetings can be found on the Moodle, but for a quick reference – here is a breakdown:
Northeast Region – October 3, 2013
Southwest Region – October 4, 2013
Southeast Region – October 10, 2013
Central Region – October 11, 2013
Northwest Region – October 24, 2013
Western Region – October 29, 2013

Regional Meetings are very informational and provide a good time to network with other CDC’s and SPC’s. Make sure you SAVE YOUR DATE and plan to attend!!

If you have items or articles for future newsletters, please send them to: adesorbo@harnett.k12.nc.us

Submitted by Audra DeSorbo, Newsletter Chair
Greetings from our President!
I am Chef Rick Pearl CWC, your 2013-2014 Family and Consumer Sciences Education division president. It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Family and Consumer Sciences Education Division. Accordingly, I am encouraging you to become an active part of our professional organization. Our 2013-2014 goals are: to increase membership in the division; increase awareness of Career and Technical Education community of local, state, and national legislative issues facing Career and Technical teachers, administrators, and students; and to provide helpful tools for all Career and Technical Education teachers and administrators for use in their professional tool kits.

The entire NCACTE-FACS Division executive board is committed to enhancing Family and Consumer Sciences Education within the North Carolina. However, we need YOU. Your membership is very valuable and applications can be found on this website. There are several benefits to joining NCACTE; however, the fact that we are the ONLY professional organization with a lobbyist at the state and national level working with legislatures to provide funding for our Career and Technical Education programs and positions is the best reason for joining our dynamic organization. Again thank you for support and membership.

President Richard Pearl

A Message from our Outgoing President
Welcome back to another prosperous school year. I first would like to thank everyone for a successful term as president and we must continue the thriving support for this year and years to come. It has been a pleasure serving you in this capacity and my work is not done yet. I will continue to serve anyway needed and if I can be of any service to you please don't hesitate to contact me.

Derrick L. Fogg

We want to thank Dr. Kristina Yarborough for her year leadership and service to the state organization.

Please begin now to make plans to attend the professional development and leadership conference in October 17-19, 2013 Raleigh, NC Double Tree Brownstone

We hope that you have a great school year and look forward seeing you soon in Raleigh.

Submitted By Michael Holman
Joann Blanton, President & Membership Committee Chair

I am delighted to be serving you as the Business Education Division President for NCACTE for the school year 2013-2014. Just to give you a little information about myself, I have taught in Cumberland County at Massey Hill Classical High School for the past 8 years. I am the primary Business Teacher, so I teach a variety of Business Education courses and I am the FBLA Advisor. Prior to becoming a Teacher, I worked in the business industry for 20 years with various companies doing receivables payables, bookkeeping and management. I have thoroughly enjoyed the teaching profession and I hope to be able to retire with this profession.

As a Teacher, we encourage our Students to join a school organization or to be involved in community service. I believe we as Teachers have to set an example by doing this as well. I would like to ask all Business Teachers to encourage your fellow Business Teachers at your school to become a member of NCACTE. This organization supports specifically your CTE Job. Also, mention this to your students as well, like I said, we need to lead by example. Our jobs depend on our participation of working together. Thank you for this opportunity to serve you.

Joann Blanton, NBCT

George Brooks, Past President, Professional Development & Bylaws Committee Chair

George E. Brooks is the NCACTE Business Education Division Professional Development Committee Chair. In the past I served on the Legislative Committee and was appointed as President Elect of NCACTE-Business Division for the Year 2009-2010. At the state level, I have also served on the NCACTE Resolution Committee over the past few years.

I am currently beginning my 20th year as a Business Educator teaching at South View High School, Cumberland County, in Hope Mills. This year I will be teaching BE6412 Multimedia and Webpage Design, BE6215 Business Law, and (IB Academy) Information in a Global Society.

I have a BS from Methodist University located here in Fayetteville and over 24 years experience in the U.S. Army prior to entering the teaching field in 1993.

I retired as a Chief Warrant Officer Two and am a veteran of Desert Shield and Desert Storm. I am married to a wonderful wife Charlotte and we have two great children. Caitin, age seven will be entering 3rd Grade and Ephram, age four will be entering preschool. Charlotte will be a CTE Facilitator at Terry Sanford High.
Pam Orbison
Treasurer and ACTE
Region II Policy
Committee
Representative

I have served with NCATE-BE since 2008 as a committee chair, President, and Treasurer. I teach Computer Skills and Applications at Corriker-Lipe Middle School in Landis, NC. My education includes an AAS in Business Administration for Forsyth Technical Community College, a BS in Business Management from Western Governor’s University, and I am pursuing a Masters in Information Systems and Management at UNC-G.

NCATE has provided me with opportunities to develop my leadership skills and to network with CTE professionals across the US. The Legislative seminars and professional development conferences have increased my understanding of CTE Education and funding.

I was installed as Region II Policy Committee Rep. in October of last year and will serve in that capacity for three years. Responsibilities for this position include: serving on the NCATE Board of Directors, attending the Region II Conferences and Policy Committee Meetings, attending the National Career Tech Vision conferences and Policy Committee Meetings, and attending the National Policy Seminar and Policy Committee Meetings.

It has been a pleasure to serve the NCATE-BE division and I look forward to many more years of service and participation.

Thank you,

Pam Orbison

Janet Blue, President Elect & Strategic Plan Committee Chair
Janet teaches at Douglas Byrd Middle School, Cumberland County School System.

Sharon Bilbrey - Secretary & Resolution Committee Chair
Sharon teaches at Douglas Byrd High School, Cumberland County Schools.

Deborah Daniels - Awards Committee Chair
Deborah teaches at Southeast Middle School, Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools.

Lisa S. Johnson - Legislative Committee Chair
Lisa teaches at South View High School, Cumberland County Schools.

Marion Anthony Jordan - Newsletter & Public Information Committee Chair
Marion teaches at J.M. Alexander Middle School, Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools.

Kamina Fitzgerald - Ways & Means Committee Chair
Kamina teaches at Westover High School, Cumberland School County Schools.

Congratulation To NCATE-BE Division 2013 Scholarship Recipient Lauren Demko!

Lauren shared her Broyhill experience and thanked NCATE-BE Division. She said, “Thank you to the NCATE-BE for giving me the chance to represent West Brunswick FBLA Chapter in the conference. My life is forever altered because of this wonderful experience and I will take what I have learned to lead my chapter but to also make a difference in the world.” Read her experience online at NCATE-BE Division.

“Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them become what they are capable of becoming.” ~Goethe~
Greetings from your Instructional Management Division Officers; we hope you are having a great start to another school year.

During Summer Conference the IMS Division held the 1st Annual Celebration and Awards Luncheon. During the luncheon, the Regional IMC of the Year recipients were recognized and the State IMC of the Year was announced. Congratulations to the regional winners: Margaret Chase, Central Region; Angie Jenkins, Northeast Region; Louise Cape, Northwest Region; Rusty Parker, Southwest Region; and Sharon Lewis, West Region. A very special and well deserved congratulations goes to Sharon Lewis, the 2013-14 North Carolina Instructional Management Coordinator of the Year.

Margaret Harris was recognized for her years of service as Instructional Management Consultant. Her service, support, direction and leadership helped us evolve from the antiquated CMS 95 to a highly progressive computer information system-Thinkgate Elements. Thank you Margaret!

Thanks to the hard work of Madeline Tucker and the Southeast Region, we have an exciting Fall-Mini Conference planned for September 9-10 at Wrightsville Beach. Topics include: MSL Best Practices, PowerSchool, Credentialing, EVAAS, Thinkgate and much more.

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Greetings from T&I! I am sure that everyone is really busy getting their classrooms together and looking at some new faces. It was great seeing and visiting with many of you at Summer Conference. It was also a good time had by all at the pig-pickin’. T&I continues to set the example that many of our NCACTE divisions look at to gain insight on how to "get it done".

As we start a new school year, I know many of you are somewhat unhappy with our paychecks and having to continually do more with less. It seems that every time we turn around, more and more is expected of us with less resources than we have ever had. Many of our colleagues' morale seems to be at an all time low. Yet, many of our CTE teachers find a way to "keep on smiling". We know that better days are coming and what we do for our students is so important to their futures. Yes, it takes money to pay the mortgage and the car payments. But we do what we do because of our love and commitment to those new faces that walk into our rooms each day. As CTE teachers, I ask you to continue to keep smiling, find the positives and dwell on them, and find ways to meet our objectives as professionals.

There are ways to help our situation. We all know that we have to plan and save for the future. Many folks expect things to just happen when it is convenient for them and on their time schedule. We know it just does not happen like that. Even with our current salary problems, we do have many friends in Raleigh and Washington. CTE is doing pretty good compared to other programs. This has come about by CTE supporters and lobbyist knocking on doors. This lobbying effort is not finished and needs to continue. Each CTE person can greatly improve our chances of restoring needed funding for all of our program areas. If you are a CTE person, you need to be the professional that you are and join NCACTE and you respected division. We all can choose to sit back, do nothing but complain; or get involved. Join the Organization (NCACTE) that fights for your jobs and funding every single day. T&I has continued to increase their membership roles and this gives us a voice that is heard by legislators in Raleigh and Washington. T&I leadership is working hard to better last year's numbers. We led in membership last year and we are looking to do even better this year. Thank you T&I teachers!

Our Fall Conference this year is in Greenville, NC. Please visit the website and make arrangements now to attend. As always, we will have a lot of fun and plenty of professional development. Several tours are planned to surrounding industries and other facilities. The motel is The Comfort Inn in Winterville (252-355-0070). The dates are November 21-23, 2013. See you there. "Warm up your corn hole tossing arm!"

And, if you see Elizabeth Alexander, tell her congratulations on being the NCACTE Teacher of the Year! Great job Beth!!!!

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WE INVITE YOUR INSPIRATION, INVOLVEMENT, AND INVESTMENT IN OUR ASSOCIATION.
TOGETHER, WE KEEP THE “VOICE” OF THE PUBLIC IN PUBLIC EDUCATION!
Dear NC ALIVE Family:

Welcome back. It is my distinct pleasure and honor, along with the slate of officials to welcome you back. I often tell my students that “The amount of time spent on earth is not as important as the amount you unearth in your length of time on earth.” So with that said “Carpe Diem,” (Seize the Day).

As we begin this new school year, my focus as the new president is strengthening our core relationships between members, and the other divisions as well as the overall leadership at-large. Our mission, our goal, our purpose should be on being the best organization ever and to build a team that has no boundaries. Therefore, it is invaluable for each and every one of us to bear in mind the difference we make in the lives of others. This is why every moment; of every second is an opportunity to be seized. There is strength in numbers; I say this to bring attention to our dwindling membership. I charge each one of you with the task of incurring one or two new members before the Spring Conference. Now is the time to put probability and possibility to work. It reminds me of a story.

One day a farmer was plowing his field and decided to let his old mule loose to graze and get some rest. Unfortunately, the old mule did not see the well which had dried up and he fell in. The farmer realizing that the mule was old and that he had no way of getting the mule out decided it would be best to fill in the well and bury the mule. He then gathered up his friends and proceeded to fill in the well. Now, the old mule knew that his life was over and was about to give up but a load of dirt hit him on the back and he shook it off. The mule then realized that he was not dealing with a problem but with a solution. So, every time the dirt hit him on the back, he shook it off and stamped it down. What seemed like a tragedy turned into a blessing and the mule eventually walked right out of the well.

Again there are reasons for everything, I took the reins on a high note ready to bring us back to prominence but for those of you who do not know I suffered the loss of my home on August the 11, 2013. I have not delivered the focus that I envisioned during summer conference but know this, there are no problems only solutions and I will strive to find them. Let me thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

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SPECIAL NEEDS DIVISION

Happy New School Year from the Special Needs Division! I am Renea Stitt, President of the Special Needs Division and I am excited and happy to serve you this year. I am honored that my peers entrust the leadership of our division to me. I am committed to moving our division and association forward as we work to help shape the lives of young people each day.

The Special Needs Division would like to continue our focus on the following goals again this year:
- Membership Recruitment
- Communication
- Professional Development

Our division plans to work tirelessly on the three goals above. We all know that educators’ active participation in the Special Needs Association and NCACTE is very critical this year. NCACTE is the organization that lobbies for support of Career Technical Education in North Carolina.

A huge thank you goes to Helen Hairston, our past president. Helen is full of charm and wit which played a huge part in her success as she worked to increase membership and provided support to SPCs statewide. We ask that you all continue Helen’s efforts and recruit as many as persons as possible to join NCACTE and the Special Needs Division.

We want to improve our line of communication for 2013-2014. We are also in need of a President-Elect for this year. Please contact me if you are interested in serving in this capacity. We are also open to suggestions of support that is needed. Please send an email with your comments and suggestions to Renea Stitt at r.stitt@cms.k12.nc.us.

HEALTH SCIENCE DIVISION NEWS

Welcome back to school! I know each of you have many challenges to face with the coming school year. Remember your division is here for you! Your officers are available for you to ask any questions about Health Science or NCHSETA. We look forward to a productive and enjoyable school year with you.

Your officers for this year are:

- President: Elizabeth Silvey
  - essilvey@burke.k2.nc.us
  - essilvey@gmail.com

- President-Elect: Angela Oei
  - aoei@lexcs.org

- Secretary: Sonya Wicker
  - Sonya.wicker@catawbaschools.net

- Treasurer: Rachel Smith
  - Rsmith@madisonk12.net

- Past President: Judy Wilson
  - wilson@swainmail.com

- Committee Chairs:
  - Teresa Harris: Professional Development
  - Kathy Pardue: Legislative
  - Allyson Cline-Bell: Resolutions
  - tharris@rock.k12.nc.us
  - pardueks@rss.k12.nc.us
  - clinebellak@rss.k12.nc.us
FROM YOUR PAST PRESIDENT
Dr. Kristina Yarborough

Membership Committee

The membership committee consists of all current Division Presidents. We will be working closely with all divisions to determine ways to promote membership in NCACTE and ACTE. So much has happened this past year with North Carolina and National Legislators through our lobbyists, and this is an important component of membership.

All members please encourage your coworkers who are not current members to join and share in the benefits of membership. I am, also, serving as a Community Adviser for the Army at the state level to develop the partnership that we have in place at the national level. It is my hope, that we can encourage our ROTC cohorts to join us in the New and Related Division as both organizations have similar goals for students and one of those goals in ensuring students have a career option upon graduation from high school.

If you would like to share ideas for membership promotion, please contact me or your Division President so we may make plans for this year.
August 22, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: NC ACTE Board of Directors
   NC ACTE State Level Committee Members
   Division Officers
FROM: Marchelle Horner, Professional Development Committee Chair
   Tom Jones, Executive Director
RE: Fall Professional Development Workshop
    And Board of Directors’ Meeting

Our Fall Professional Development Workshop & Board of Directors’ Meeting is scheduled for October 17-19, 2013, at the DoubleTree by Hilton Brownstone–University in Raleigh, N.C. The workshop will provide you with valuable information designed to assist you in fulfilling your responsibilities as a NC ACTE leader. Note that the workshop will begin Thursday at 12:00 noon. Beginning on Thursday will allow us to provide more detailed information about individual and committee responsibilities. It is important that you be present for all of the workshop activities so that you will be properly informed and educated about how you are to contribute to the effectiveness of our professional association.

The registration fee is $140.00. This cost will cover the following: Thursday lunch, Friday breakfast and lunch, Saturday breakfast and lunch, breaks, rental of meeting space, and workshop materials. Each individual will be responsible for handling their own lodging arrangements with the DoubleTree. The cost for lodging is not included in this registration fee. The group room rate will be $89 plus tax. Identify yourself as a participant in the NC ACTE Fall meeting when making your room reservations.

The enclosed registration form must be completed and returned to NC ACTE by no later than September 26, 2013. Room reservations must be made by September 26th in order to qualify for the group rate. After the cut-off date of Sep. 26th, no reservations will be guaranteed at the special group rate.
FALL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING

DoubleTree by Hilton
Raleigh Brownstone--University
Raleigh, North Carolina
October 17-19, 2013
Theme: It’s My Party

Thursday, October 17, 2013
12:00 pm-1:30 pm........ Opening Session and Lunch
   “It’s My Party”  Bill Ellis
1:30 pm-2:45 pm........ Leadership Training Session #1
2:45 pm-4:00 pm........ Leadership Training Session #2
4:00 pm-5:15 pm........ Leadership Training Session #3
*Thursday’s leadership training sessions will be designed to educate our association
leaders about their responsibilities and how to follow through with them. Topics will
include “Bylaws and Organization,” “Committee Work—the What, the How, and the
When,” and “How to Conduct Yourself in a Business Meeting.”

5:15-6:15 .................. Committee Chairpersons meeting with NCACTE President
7:00-9:00..................... Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, October 18, 2013
8:00 am-9:00 am .......... Breakfast and Live Auction
9:15 am-11:15 am .......... Committee Meetings
11:15 am-12:00 pm ....... Committee Presentations of Programs of Work
12:00 pm-1:00 pm ........ General Session & Lunch & Live Auction
1:30 pm-2:30 pm .......... Leadership Session #4
2:45 pm-3:45 pm .......... Leadership Session #5
3:45 pm-4:00 pm .......... BREAK
4:00 pm-5:15 pm .......... Division Meetings
5:15 pm-6:30 pm .......... Town Hall Meeting

Saturday, October 19, 2013
8:00 am-9:00 am .......... Breakfast and Live Auction
9:00 am-9:30 am .......... Legislative Update
9:30 am-10:00 am .......... Check-out
10:00 am-2:00 pm .......... Board of Directors’ Meeting
REGISTRATION FOR NCACTE
FALL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON
BROWNSTONE--UNIVERSITY
Raleigh, North Carolina
October 17-19, 2013

NAME:__________________________________________________________

NCACTE DIVISION:__________________________________________________________

SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION:____________________________________________________

*E-MAIL ADDRESS:__________________________________________________________

Mobile Phone:__________________________

HOME ADDRESS:___________________________________________________________

SCHOOL TELEPHONE:_________________ HOME TELEPHONE:_____________________

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Registration fee ..........................................................$140.00
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Make check payable to NCACTE and mail to

NCACTE
P.O. Box 877
Taylorsville, NC 28681

Deadline: Thursday, September 26, 2013
Upcoming Events

**September 26-29, 2013** - ACTE Region II Leadership Conference - Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

**October 17-19, 2013** - NCACTE Fall Professional Development Workshop and Board of Director’s Meeting - Raleigh, NC

**December 4-7, 2013** - Career Tech Vision 2013 - Las Vegas, Nevada


**Feb 28 - March 1, 2014** - NCACTE Spring Professional Development Workshop and Board of Director’s Meeting - Atlantic Beach, NC

**June 16-17, 2014** - Raleigh Legislative Policy Seminar - Raleigh, NC

**Catch up on the 2013 ACTE National Policy Seminar**

[https://www.acteonline.org/nps/](https://www.acteonline.org/nps/)

Would you like to learn more about ACTE and develop your leadership skills? Would you like to participate in the ACTE National Leadership Fellowship Program? Applications for the 2014 class are due Nov. 1.

[https://www.acteonline.org/fellowship/](https://www.acteonline.org/fellowship/)

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**2012-2013 NC Career and Technical Education Facts**

In 2012, **94%** of North Carolina’s students graduated from high school when they completed a 4-credit **CTE pathway** compared to **80.4%** for all graduates statewide.

Nearly **800,000** seats are filled each day in CTE classes within North Carolina.

Over **48,000** students participate in Career and Technical Student Organizations.

In 2011-2012, nearly **29,250** students earned **91,629 industry-recognized credentials** in varying areas, from Microsoft Office Specialist to Certified Nursing Assistant to automotive technology.
### NCACTE Board of Directors 2013-2014

#### Executive Committee:
1. President…………………………….…………….Ruth Huff
2. President-Elect…………………………….Brantley Murphy
3. Immediate Past President………………….Kris Yarborough
4. Recording Secretary…………………………….Shakema Wilson
5. Finance Officer………………………………..Brenda Jones
6. Parliamentarian…………………………………….Bill Ellis
7. Historian .………………………………………Bena Weires
8. Vice-President. (Elected by BOD)……………...Mike Lewis
9. Vice-President (Elected by BOD)……………Christy Cheek
10. Vice-President (President’s Division)……...Elizabeth Silvey
11. Executive Director……………………………….Tom Jones

#### Vice Presidents: (representing divisions)

* Administration……………………………….Christy Cheek
12. Agricultural Education ……………………Michael Johnson
13. Business Education .............................Joanne Blanton
14. Family and Consumer Sciences..........Rick Pearl
15. Guidance.……………………………………Winslow Carter
16. Health Science Education………………..Elizabeth Silvey
17. Instructional Management………………..Tena Martin
18. Marketing Education………………….John Fux
19. NC-ALIVE…………………………………….Kerry Baldwin
* New and Related Services………………….vacant
20. Special Needs……………………………………..Renea Stitt
* Technology Education ……………………Emily Quadrio

Note: * denotes member already included in Board of Directors count.

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26. Health Science Education………………….Angela Oie
27. Instructional Management………………...Debbie Whitford
28. Marketing Education………………………Rhonda Farmer
29. NC-ALIVE……………………………………Sandra Murphy
30. New and Related Services…………………vacant
31. Special Needs………………………………….vacant
* Technology Education ……………………Emily Quadrio
32. Trade and Industrial Education………………Elizabeth Alexander

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33. Awards Chair…………………………….Derrick Fogg
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…………………Pamela Orbison

Director of School-To-Work Programs,
Governor’s Commission on Workforce Preparedness…..Bob Witcher