#### **NCACTE IMC Division**

#### **Spring 2018 Newsletter**

#### 2017-2018 IMC Officers and Committee Chairs:

President - Rhonda Benfield (Cleveland County)

President-Elect - Kim Sexton (Davidson County)

Immediate Past President - Lisa Roberts (Buncombe County)

**Secretary** - Linda Wiggins (Weldon City)

Treasurer - Erica Jones (Duplin County)

Awards - Helen Arnett (New Hanover)

Bylaws - Kim Sexton (Davidson County)

Budget—Lisa Roberts (Buncombe County)

Legislative - Crystal Bailey (Carteret County)

Membership - Lisa Roberts (Buncombe County)

Nominations - Karen Boyles (Hickory City) and Louise Cape Stokes County)

Newsletter & Public Information - Jeff Haake and Michelle Smith (Buncombe County)

Professional Development - Megan Smith (Rowan-Salisbury)

Resolutions - Lynn Beasley (Thomasville City)

Strategic Planning - Kim Sexton (Davidson County)

Tellers - Christy Weaver (Gaston County)

Ways & Means - Erica Jones (Duplin County)

## **Upcoming Calendar of Events**

May 1, 2018—NCACTE nominations for ACT/NCACTE Award

May 22, 2017—NCACTE Legislative Day

July 22-26—CTE Summer Conference #CTESC18

October 22-24— IMC Fall Conference Great Wolfe Lodge, Concord, NC

## Welcome Home, North Carolina IMCs

Many adages about home come to my mind as I write this. "There's no place like home" and "home is where the heart is" are a few, but the one I really want to share has two versions: "home is not a place, it's a feeling" or "home is not a place, it's the people." The feeling and the people are what I think about when I think of our IMC Division. It is truly made up of wonderful and talented PEOPLE who FEEL strongly about serving CTE teachers and students. For that reason, I am proud to be a member of the NCACTE IMC Division and I feel blessed to be serving as your president.

This brings me to some exciting news for North Carolina IMCs! The ACTE Board of Directors recently approved the creation of a new section within the national organization specifically for North Carolina IMCs. We will now be known as the **Curriculum and Instructional Management** Section within the New and Related Services Division of ACTE.

Following last year's vote to unify with ACTE, your IMC Division officers considered the fact that there is no IMC Division at the national level. We discussed the possibilities for "a home" for our members. We surveyed our membership in the fall and based on those results, we submitted a letter to ACTE asking that a new section be created. That request was supported by the Policy Committee this winter and the ACTE Board of Directors gave the final approval in early March.

Now when you join your state organization you are also joining the national organization, and the national organization has provided you with a new home in the **Curriculum and Instructional Management** Section. You will soon begin to see this change reflected on ACTE and NCACTE documents and websites.

We will continue to have our own division at the state level. That will not change. We are currently weighing the advantages and disadvantages of changing our division name within NCACTE. I welcome your feedback on that topic. Feel free to email me at <a href="mailto:rbenfield@clevelandcountyschools.org">rbenfield@clevelandcountyschools.org</a>. We will likely survey our membership about this so watch for future communication.

I wish you all the best as you approach your spring break and wrap up the last months of your school year. Welcome home, North Carolina IMCs!



Rhonda Benfield

# Asheville City, Buncombe, and Madison County Schools Students will be attending the Career Pathway Consortium Saturday March 17, 2018



# **Buncombe County Commissioners Visit CTE Labs**





Many thanks to those who participated in the County Commissioners Tour on February 28th. It was nice to have them tour our programs and help them understand what we do. I am so proud of our students, teachers and schools.

## **Swain County SkillsUSA**



Swain County High School (Bryson City) SkillsUSA Western Regional Rally winners for 2018. We began our Chapter in 2017 with only 5 members. This year we have 24 members and are looking forward to adding more members next year.