

**Maryland Career and Technology Administrators (MCTA)  
Spring Meeting  
Charles County Public Schools  
North Point High School  
2500 Davis Road, Waldorf, MD 20603  
Thursday March 28, 2019  
MINUTES**

**MCTA Attendees and School Systems Represented:**

Carrie Akins, CTE Specialist, Charles  
Bryan Ashby, CTE Director, Wicomico  
Michael Boyle, CTE Director, St. Mary's  
Traci Chappellear, CTE Director, Charles and MCTA Treasurer -elect  
Cheryl Davis, CTE Assistant Principal County, Charles  
Keith Gascon, CTE Department Chair, Charles  
Michael Grubbs, CTE Coordinator, Baltimore County  
Douglas Handy, CTE Director, Baltimore County and MCTA President-elect  
Sharon Kramer, CTE Director, Howard and MCTA President  
Deborah Kremer, CTE Director, Anne Arundel and MCTA Treasurer  
Rob Limpert, CTE Director, Harford  
Norm McGaughey, CTE Coordinator, Frederick  
Kristine Pearl, CTE Director, Frederick and MCTA Immediate Past President  
Rebecca Pearson, CTE Specialist, Charles  
Sandy Rooney, CTE (Stethem), Charles  
Marjorie Lohnes, MCTA Executive Director

**Guests:**

Michael Connet, Director of Programs and Communications, ACTE  
Lynne Gilli, Assistant State Superintendent, DCCR, MSDE

**MCTA Google Docs site:**

All info can be found on our site:

<https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsites.google.com%2Fcps.org%2Fmcta%2Fhome&data=02%7C01%7C%7C75b246382e6c4b88923708d62dceb0ad%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636746763079295954&sddata=iPfbueK8c0YzB9pVErUHaB%2FRISOFQADIKi8aa3kFDlw%3D&reserved=0>

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**9:00 a.m.**—Registration and morning refreshments

**9:30 a.m.**

**Greetings and Introductions**

Sharon Kramer, MCTA President opened the meeting and welcomed members and guests.

Traci Chappelle, Charles County CTE Director welcomed MCTA to Charles County and North Point High School. She indicated Charles County, Calvert County and St. Mary's County work together as a Southern Maryland region. She described the CTE programs in Charles County.

All present introduced themselves.

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## CURRENT TOPICS AND ISSUES

**9:45 a.m.**

### **Directors' Open Forum—Preparing EdCamp Topics**

Norm McGaughey led the group in identifying topics for discussion during the EdCamp.

**10:00 a.m.**

### **Updates on CTE: Perkins V, ESSA: Computational Learning and Thinking and Other Topics— Dr. Lynne Gilli, Assistant State Superintendent, DCCR, MSDE**

Lynne provided updates and information on the Maryland CTE transition year plan. She also provided data on the 45% goal. (See documents posted on the MCTA Google docs site.)

MCTA members expressed their gratitude for Lynne's work in CTE over her career and their best wishes for her upcoming retirement.

**11:00 a.m.**

### **Directors' Open Forum**

MCTA members participated in discussions on the following topics of interest:

#### Session 1

Work-Based Learning, Best Practices/Application

CTE Application Process

MCCE/Computer Science/Computational Thinking  
and Learning

#### Session 2

Signing Days

Professional Development Ideas

CTE Changes—Perkins and SCED

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## BUSINESS MEETING

**11:40 a.m. – Noon**

President Sharon Kramer presided over the MCTA business meeting

### **Approval of Fall Meeting Minutes**

Motion:	Second:	Action:
Deb Kremer	Rob Limpert	Passed unanimously

### **Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Treasury balance, as of March 28, 2019 : \$16,409.26

- PNC checking account- \$5,783.60
- Howard Bank CD- \$10,625.66

Total credits-\$8,300

Total debits- \$7,736.13

Motion:	Second:	Action:
Bryan Ashby	Traci Chappellear	Passed unanimously

Deb reported on the need to get names and addresses changed on the accounts as quickly as possible in light of her upcoming retirement and the fact that she will not be living in the area.

### **Executive Directors Report**

Marjorie Lohnes provided a report on work accomplished since the fall meeting highlighting:

- Information on the 2019 Summer Professional Development Institute;
- Kirwan Commission and related information;
- Update on ACTE; and
- Current status with insurance and consideration of incorporation.

(Document posted on the MCTA Google docs site)

### **Old Business**

Sharon announced that Aaron Geiman, an agrscience teacher from Carroll County (Westminster High School) was awarded the Maryland ACTE Teacher of the Year by MCTA. His application materials have been moved forward to compete with other state winners for the ACTE Region 1 award. This award has not been selected yet. Michael Connet spoke about the importance and prestige associated with the ACTE awards

### **New Business**

Sharon indicated that Jon Quatman, Region 1 ACTE Vice President, has requested a paragraph from Maryland for the Region 1 newsletter. She asked for a member to volunteer to write about one of their school system's new or outstanding initiatives.

MCTA congratulated Deb Kremer on her upcoming retirement. She was thanked for her service to MCTA. She will not be in the area at the time of the MCTA Annual Dinner when retirees are usually honored. Sharon presented her with a card and gift along with best wishes from the membership.

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**LUNCH/WORKING LUNCH AND SCHOOL TOUR**

**Noon – 12:45 p.m.**

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**CURRENT TOPICS AND ISSUES**

**12:45 p.m.**

**Discussion and Update on Kirwan Commission—Kristine Pearl, facilitating**

Kristine shared notes on the work of the Kirwan Commission as related to CTE and subsequent proposed legislation. This was followed by group discussion and comments. (Document posted on the MCTA Google docs site)

**1:05 p.m.**

**ACTE Framework—Michael Connet, Director of Programs and Communications, ACTE**

Michael provided a presentation in which he shared the 2018 ACTE Quality CTE Program of Study Framework. This is a comprehensive, research-based document that identifies standards for high-quality CTE programs. It is an important tool for program evaluation. Members saw the advantages of using this tool and felt it provided all CTE professionals with a means to initiate program improvements. Michael emphasized that the framework was not designed as a tool for the evaluation of teacher effectiveness.

Michael mentioned other resources that can be viewed at [www.acteonline.org](http://www.acteonline.org) and two other issues of interest:

- State of CTE report that examines policy, government initiatives and funding related to CTE; and
- Horatio Alger Scholarships—1000 scholarships of \$2500 will be awarded.

**1:50 p.m.**

**Evaluation, Closure and Adjourn**

**Next meeting:**

**MCTA 2019 Summer Professional Development Institute—July 22 – 24, 2019, Turf Valley Inn, Ellicott City, MD**

Submitted by:

Marjorie R. Lohnes, MCTA Executive Director  
March 29, 2019