



**Region III Policy Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, April 8 2020 – 10:00 – 11:00 p.m.-  
Via Zoom**

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**Agenda**

1. Call to Order.....Lisa Stange
2. Roll call.....Dawn Sullivan
  - a. Lisa Stange, Dawn Sullivan, Cindy Stover, Robb Lowe (MN), Greg Kepner (IA), Kandy Smitha (IN), Jayla Smith(MO), Debbie Belfry, Sandy Miller, Matt Simon WI
3. Agenda approval, Robb Lowe motion, Jayla Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries
4. Past minutes approval, done later in meeting to give time to read, Matt Simon motioned, Robb Lowe 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries
5. Region III Conference updates.....Robb Lowe
  - a. May 1st date to make a decision whether to cancel, reschedule, or reinvent, registration is on website but do not register at this time to save treasurer issues,
    - i. What are thoughts - relatively certain won't be able to happen in June, no charge for the hotel (it is closed down), have until May 1st to cancel at hotel, question was raised if MN has cancelled school through the end of the year yet, closed to 5/4, thinking that school will be out through the end of the year,
      1. WI no travel for the foreseeable future, Stout is repaying room and board, What if we don't have it this year but we do MN next year?
      2. IA no travel through June 30th, do we do it during the school year? Good idea to reschedule Search and Nominating Committee
  - b. Robb Lowe motioned *If by May 1st Minnesota decides to cancel this year's Region III Conference they will host it next year, the business meeting and awards recognition will be virtual in June.* Greg Kepner 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries
6. Search and Nominating Committee:
  - a. Members - Jayla, Dawn, Kandy, Greg, Matt, and someone from MN, Robb is waiting to hear back - will be the ones to virtually interview the candidates. Will determine when, once the decision is made about the conference.
  - b. Candidates - Shelley Rust IN and Brandon Russell MO have been nominated from their states so far. At the NPS board meeting it was suggested we put it in our newsletter to see if other people are interested, sounds good, ACTE recently put the applications online Lisa will send applications to Shelley

and Brandon, IA person decided to wait. Anyone from Region III can apply, we asked the states to ask, we will also post in the Region III newsletter for interested people to apply on the portal.

- c. Process - nomination portal closes June 15th, we can meet June 16th to interview the candidates, by the June 30 deadline for ACTE.
7. Teacher Preparation data request - IL has allocated up to \$4,000 to take care of the IL portion of data collection, UW Stout would continue to collect data - remain in CTE, why they leave, etc. Deanna and Kate mentioned they could allocate a Grad student so \$1,500 per state, Grad asst. can work remotely
  - a. we still don't have the report out from the Teacher Summit
  - b. If we don't have a Region III conference (and we didn't use travel stipends for NPS) our budgeted travel costs can be switched to be allocated to this project, Operating Budget amount of \$3,838, \$404 has been spent, suggestion: Region III could put \$500 per state, each state would put up \$1,000. Matt could work with Stout to cover WI, Could each state do this? MS, IA, IN, MN and IL could do this If we don't use this money we would have to give it back
  - c. Kandy motioned *The Operating Budget amount of \$3000, allocated to the Region III VP, will be used for the teacher data fund, \$500/state to help fund.* Robb Lowe 2nd, motion carried.
    - i. Question: What is the long term goal, data collection is one thing but getting teachers in the classroom is another, Cindy - working with FFA, a lot of discussions took place at the Summit. data drives actions - we start seeing retention, what they think we need, do they like the mentor, how many are staying in the field after the first year. If seeking other funds they need to see your data. The state board is going to want to know what will come of this, why put the money towards this - it is money that is well spent.
    - ii. Question: Are we breaking into Regions to do this - the summit was national. Should we hold off on moving forward before we get the report from the Summit? Not sure if ACTE will come up with a plan, if we wait there will be a gap. If ACTE decides to move forward we will have our data to provide to them. Steve Dewitt has so much information to sort through from the Summit. We spent a great deal of money already, we should continue with our efforts. Just because we do this this year doesn't mean we have to do it next year. Region III is the **leader** with this, we should keep the ball rolling until ACTE comes through on it
  - d. Through raising of hands, budget amendment for Region III to put \$500/state towards cost of data collection passed.
  - e. Policy Committee members need to communicate this to their boards, Matt to UW Stout, we will have \$9,000 to do data collection (less the \$1000 for WI portion that he thought Stout could round up).
8. Awards - Deb - 2021 awards for Region III submissions in all categories - 5 in some, waiting to hear from Megan to get Deb (she is having some trouble in the portal) back in the system, happy to see names move forward, we will have to do some type of recognition online now, if anyone has a resource on how to do these online.
  - a. Judge right away as soon as Deb gets it set up.
  - b. Recognition? We can mail them a certificate, do we want to do a plaque by mail? Plaque at Vision? What if they retire before vision, we could get it to them sooner. Send it to them then have a Zoom? We want to honor them in an appropriate way in June, how will we present to make it worthwhile.
  - c. Send Deb ideas for how we might want to do this virtually.
  - d. Date for merit nominees - May 1st (two per state) to Deb
9. Shirts and name tags
  - a. will say ACTE Region III (no names) out of designated budget,
  - b. Shirts - in contact with vendors, was supposed to go in face to face, where can he get the logo from ACTE, for policy people out of our designated budget
10. New Committee members – Greg is completing for Lisa going through 2022, WI Matt is filling in for Jay Pritchett WI is on probation, Matt will continue on for a three year term, IA has someone for Brandon Russell's term for ByLaws, National Nominating Committee is up and WI is next in line, they are taking a pass, IL is next state in line and will look for someone for the ACTE Nominating Committee.
11. Budget for next year - Lisa Stange will plug in numbers like we had this past year and send it to us for approval. She needs to have it in to ACTE by April 20th -- travel expenses for everyone to NPS, Lisa to Regional conference, etc. Do we want to have coffee at our policy or business meeting at Vision? Did it in the past and random people helped themselves, could we use our monies better? Mark Branger from Region V does a huge

reception, but they have a bunch of money. If Lisa got a suite we could host policy/business meetings, it was decided the business meeting is too big for a suite, Lisa would need an upgrade - Region III could pay for that, to have an Open House and that could come out of Designated funds.

12. Other - Meet with your teachers and share resources from ACTE, they have great stuff. Carole Werhan posted an FCS with a webinar. Cindy had a Zoom meeting regarding The Butter Book, a 60 day free trial with unlimited access to over **150** lesson videos from world-class pastry chefs and educators.

a. Should Region III have a Zoom meeting? Agreed that resources best delivered through affiliates

13. Adjournment Kandy Smitha motioned, Robb Lowe 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries