



ACTE Postsecondary Adult and Career Education Division Members,

I would like to begin this message by thanking those of you who attended Virtual VISION 2020 in early December. Even during these unprecedented times, our division had great attendance with 85 members attending this year's conference. At VISION 2020, the Postsecondary Adult and Career Education (PACE) division had the opportunity to provide PACE-focused content via both live and pre-recorded presentations. Additionally, the PLSP-ECMC Fellows provided live sessions with a postsecondary focus:

- Removing Friction Points from Online Learning — Presented by Jason Simon
- A Wider Vision of the Whole Horizon — Presented by Laura VanWaardhuizen
- Equity and Career and Technical Education (CTE) Enrollment Strategies: A Social Justice Approach — Presented by Pam Carter
- Enrollment Strategy: College Credits for CTE High School Classes, Reimaging Dual Credit — Presented by Emilie Cherry
- Capturing Lost Opportunities: Creating Pathways from Continuing Education to Credit Programs — Presented by Sophia Alston
- Building Alternative Healthcare Career Pathways — Presented by Susan Moreland
- Re-envisioning Stakeholder Engagement and CTE Program Alignment in a Changing World — Presented by Adrian San Miguel
- Increasing Technical Communication Skills in Postsecondary CTE Programs — Presented by Kimberly Dreaden
- Developing and Utilizing a Logic Model for Strategic Planning and Program Alignment — Presented by Josh Labrie
- Who Needs a C.R.A.S.H. Pad? Presented by Kia Keyton

PLSP-ECMC Fellows who provided recorded sessions: Carol Ash, William Castillo, Shakari Fraser, “AL” Long, J.D., Brett Richardson, Rick Ross, Jared Scharpen, Alberto Urbina, Kelly Washington and Brittney Williams.

Our VISION conference presentations came together thanks to the time and hard work of the PACE members who were led by Andrea Pogue and John Noel from Oklahoma. I would like to thank Andrea, John and all of the members of the advisory group for the great job they did putting all of this together for a very successful conference.

The division’s virtual hospitality room “PACE World Café” was held on **Dec. 4** and hosted by Andrea Pogue and Mark Wilson. Everyone who attended had a great time with the networking opportunities that were provided through this virtual platform. A huge and sincere thank you to both!

The PACE Business meeting during VISION 2020 had a full agenda and was well attended. One of the more significant agenda items at our meeting is that our policy committee will be reviewing the last updated 2016 version of PACE Division Leadership and Policy Manual. More information to come.

While I just took office as the vice president of the PACE division this past July, my four-year term will go by quickly. With that said, the opportunity to submit nominations for a Vice President-elect for our division will be coming soon. Please give some consideration to running for this position or encourage others to consider serving in this roll and representing our division. Watch for more information on this in the future.



## Congratulations

At the ACTE Awards Gala at VISION 2020, Nicole Hampton was voted the National ACTE Award for Postsecondary Teacher of the Year for 2020. On behalf of all PACE members, I would like to congratulate Nicole on being named ACTE

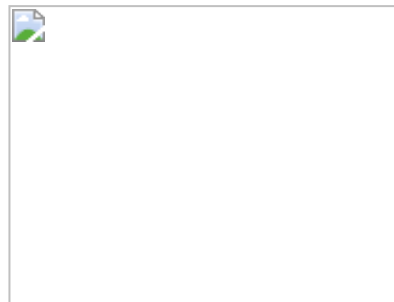
Postsecondary Teacher of the Year and say thank you for your many years of dedication and commitment to career and technical education.

Although we were all working through a less than traditional school year, the PACE members wanted to pay tribute to supporters of our division at Virtual VISION 2020. Therefore in lieu of our standard award categories, it was decided to create a “Friend of PACE” award. We selected to honor the ECMC Foundation and presented the award to Patrick Bourke, program officer of Career Readiness, on their behalf.

## PACE Division Awards

The window for submitting [PACE Award applications](#) will open **May 1** and close on **Sept. 1**. Look for the links to these categories and descriptions:

- 2021 PACE Award of Excellence
- 2021 PACE Innovation Award
- 2021 PACE Outstanding Training Activity Award
- 2021 PACE Economic Development Award
- 2021 PACE Ambassador of the Year
- 2021 PACE Diversity and Inclusion Award



[View the categories and descriptions](#)

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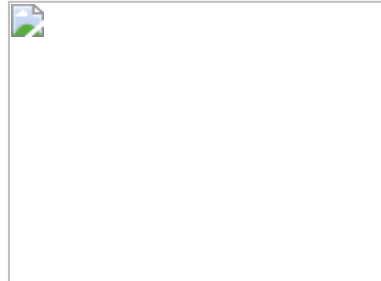
In February, we are inviting all PACE members to join us in the first of a three-part series of open division meetings. The objective of these division meetings is to share our information as well as offer opportunities for collaboration, networking and idea sharing over these topic areas:

- Member Value & Engagement
- Professional & Leadership Development
- Advocacy & Awareness
- Strategic Partnerships
- Innovation

Look for an e-blast coming your way soon regarding dates and times for upcoming PACE Meetings.



ACTE has designed special Zoom meeting virtual backgrounds for each ACTE division and region. Click the image to download yours today!



## ACTE Announces Board of Directors 2021 Election Results

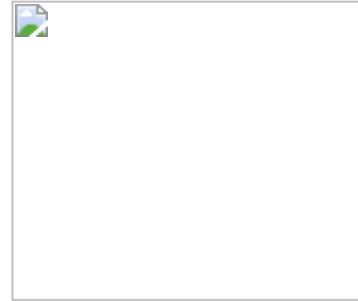
ACTE is pleased to announce the results of the recent election for several spots on its Board of Directors. The election was open to ACTE's membership of roughly 25,000 educators, administrators and other CTE professionals. The following members were elected:

- Scott Stone, President-elect
- Shani Watkins, Region V Vice President
- Robert Torres, Agricultural Education Division Vice President
- Holly Strand-Rysgaard, Health Science Education Division Vice President
- Beth Parks, Region II Vice President-elect
- Brandon Russell, Region III Vice President-elect
- Susan Leon, New and Related Services Division Vice President-elect

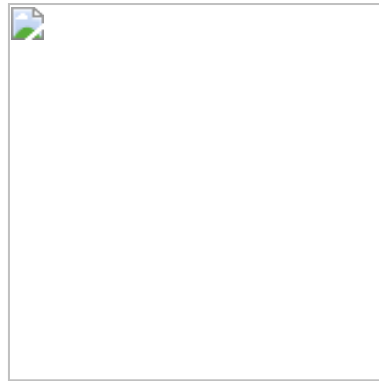
[Read the press release](#)

[Influence CTE Federal Policy  
Priorities at NPS!](#)

Voice your CTE needs to help shape education policy priorities under the new administration, learn about strategies for influencing federal policy related to CTE advocacy and messaging, and participate in virtual Capitol Hill and school visits. Happening the week of **Feb. 22**, in concert with your CTE Month awareness-building activities, ACTE's virtual National Policy Seminar 2021 will feature an official welcome from the new administration.



**Learn more and register**



## Missed Virtual VISION 2020?

ACTE's CareerTech Virtual VISION 2020 featured live keynote presentations and hundreds of sessions, covering CTE innovations, timely topics and specific CTE subject-matter areas. Conference materials and sessions are now available for 24/7 on-demand viewing at your convenience at regular attendee rates. Enjoy premier professional development via full access to all Virtual VISION sessions! [Register now](#)

Mark your calendars for VISION 2021, a hybrid event with programming available online and on-site, **Dec. 1–4** in New Orleans, Louisiana. Call for presentation proposals is now open.

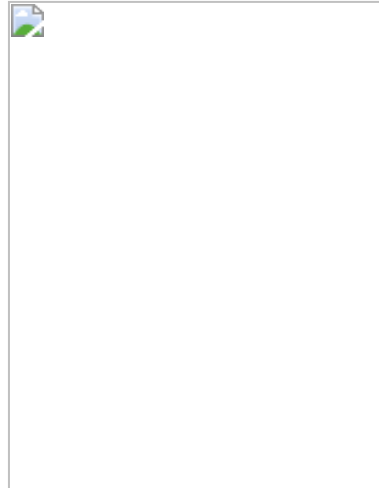
## New CTE Learning Webinar Series

Beginning this month, join us as we showcase some of the best professional learning opportunities for CTE personnel. Each free webinar is 30 minutes and will feature experts

covering topics, such as professional learning communities, developing employability skills in CTE and more.



**Learn more and join us**



## Raise Awareness for CTE

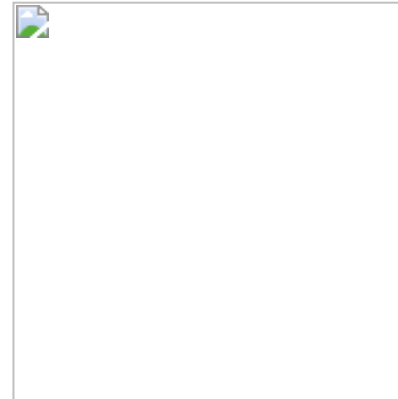
Join us in February to celebrate and spread awareness about the importance of CTE for our students and our nation's economy with several outreach opportunities:

- Encourage your students to participate in this year's CTE Month-NASA HUNCH student video challenge, "[Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing](#)." The deadline to submit videos is **April 1**.
- Share our social media messages all month long or your own success stories on social media via **#CTEMonth**.
- Gear up with festive CTE Month merchandise at [shopacte.com](#) to show your support for CTE.
- [Advocate for CTE](#) — use ACTE tools to assist you in your advocacy activities, keep you informed and promote ongoing support for CTE.
- [Download the CTE Month logo](#) for use with any of your print and digital outreach.

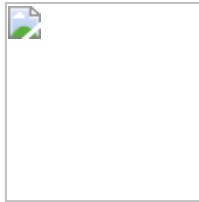
**Learn more**

## New Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference

Learn about best practices in work-based learning from across the country at ACTE's National & Iowa's Annual Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference, which will offer on-site and online programming. Interested in presenting? [Submit your presentation proposal](#) by **Feb. 22** for consideration.



[Learn more and register](#)



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