Call to Order – The March Zoom meeting of the Iowa ACTE Board of Directors was called to order by President Karen Van de Walle at 4:30 pm.

Attendance – Karen Van De Walle, Ashlee Spannagel, Sandy Miller, Doralene Abdel-Halim, Greg Krawiec, Tara Troester, Cale Hutchings, Brad Kinsinger, Marjorie Lane, and Nancy Johnson.

Approve previous IACTE Board Minutes 2/27/2023

A. It was moved by Troester and seconded by Spannagel to approve the Secretary’s Report of Feb. 27, 2023 Minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report – Sandy Warning (Only in Oct, Jan, April, July) – no report

Division Reports

A. IAAE – Jessica O’Connor
i. IAAE met virtually on March 7th, 2023. The major item of business discussed was the potential for hosting an Iowa AgEd Summit. There was concern with scheduling, attendance at other conferences, substitute shortages and time away from the classroom that led to potential changes in hosting an event of this nature at a time more conducive to agricultural teacher’s schedules. The goal would be for those board members attending NAAE conference to bring back information for professional development purposes for the summit to be held in January of each year which would ultimately replace our fall district in-services. The IAAE board voted and passed the motion unanimously. Team AgEd would be the entity handling the organization of professional development with potential additional assistance from the mentoring and professional development committees

B. IBEA – Barb Schult
i. The IBEA Conference One Teacher: Many Hats will be held September 17-18, 2023. The dates align with the ACTE Conference. The IBEA conference will be held at The Courtyard by Marriott in Ankeny, which is a beautiful facility. The location is great, with quick access to I-35 and numerous business and eateries in the area.

IBEA awards are available for nominations:

https://www.ibeaonline.org/forms

- Outstanding Business Educator - Secondary Level (7-12)
- Outstanding Business Educator - Post-secondary Level
- Outstanding New Business Educator - Secondary (1-5 year teacher)
- Outstanding New Business Educator - Post-secondary (1-5 year teacher)
- Outstsaluging CTSO Advisor (Due May 1)
- Hoffman Award Nominations (Due June 1)
- Distinguished Service Award Nominations (Due June 1)
- Service to Business Education Award Nominations (Due June 1)
- Iowa BEST Award

C. IFCSE – Nancy Johnson/ Marjorie Lane
   i. We have not met since our last meeting, but work is ongoing for our August State Conference.
   ii. Donna Buser Young has expressed interest in funding a scholarship for FCS Teachers for any level of education or FCS program improvement. Details will be worked out. She would like to administer it through IFCSE. We thank Donna for her continued support to Family and Consumer Science.

D. IHEA – Tammy Steinwandt – no report

E. IITEA – Cale Hutchings gave the ITEA report.
   i. Work continues for the Summer PD for them. Their conference will be September 18, 2023, in Western Iowa.

F. IPACE – Brad Kinsinger
   i. They are making progress and the bank account is set up.

G. IWBL – Tara Troester
   i. Annual Conference is next Tuesday. They have an increase of people.
      • Agenda at a Glance
      • 224 registrants (including 12 exhibitors)
      • 3/29/2023 IWBL Coordinators Board Meeting

VI. Standing Committee Reports
A. Audit Review – Sandy Warning – no report
B. Awards and Scholarship – Barb Schultz – no report
C. Conference Planning – Ashlee Spannagel
D. Membership – Karen - no report
E. Policy Development – Greg Krawiec
   i. We need to look at the by-laws.
F. Communications – Greg Krawiec – no report
G. Nominating – Greg Krawiec – no report

VII. ACTE Region III Representative Report – Greg Kepner
A. Note: No ACTE Region III meetings have been held since the last Iowa ACTE meeting

The ACTE Region III Show Me CTE conference hosted by Missouri will be held on June 12-14 at the Doubletree Hotel in Springfield, MO. Hotel registration is open now at a rate of $129 and conference registration will open soon. Early bird registration will be $225 until May 12, then $250 after that. Call 417-831-3131 and use code R3C or go to Doubletree Hotel. The Call for Proposals is open so please submit your session proposals!

Legislative Alert from ACTE:
Each year, Sens. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Tim Kaine (D-VA) lead a “Dear Colleague” letter to be sent to the Chair and Ranking Member of the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee requesting robust funding for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act (Perkins) in the FY 2024 Labor, Health, and Human Services appropriations bill. Committee members view these “Dear Colleague” letters as a critical part of the process because they show the breadth of support for a specific program, making this letter’s success critical. These senators have begun circulating the letter to their Senate colleagues to obtain additional senators to sign on. An accompanying letter from the House of Representatives is expected to begin circulating shortly, and we will share it when it becomes available.
The president’s original budget request for FY 24 did not suggest as large an increase for the Perkins Basic State Grant as we had hoped, but only represents a starting point in what will be months of negotiation in Congress. Your advocacy these past few years has been critical to securing vital, yearly increases in Perkins funding; we need your help again to secure an increase for Perkins that ensures CTE can continue to meet urgent workforce needs and serve as a critical part of the country’s economic growth.

**ACTION NEEDED:** CLICK HERE to ask your senator to sign the “Dear Colleague” letter supporting robust funding for Perkins CTE in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations bill! The deadline for sign-Ons is COB on Friday, April 7, 2023.

ACTE Action Center. Additionally, if you have a direct contact in your senator's office, such as from a meeting with a staff member during NPS earlier this week or at another time, we urge you to call or email directly. You can also call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121, and an operator will connect you to your requested Senate office. Please contact your senator today!

VIII. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
A. Executive Director Successor Search – Ashlee Spannagel
   i. We are interviewing 5 people this week. We have reviewed their materials and sent out prescreening questions. We hope to bring suggestions at the next meeting.

IX. Ex-officio Reports
A. DE Liaison Report – Cale Hutchings
   i. There is a new director hired for the Dept. of Education and there are no new initiatives at this time.

B. Executive Director and Membership Report – Sandy Miller  *see below
   i. Please contact your legislature via the link in the Executive Report.

X. Unfinished Business
A. Advocacy
      1. Zoom training sessions – All four completed.
      2. Meetings held with all six US legislators.
         a. FCCLA – Ian Hertenstein,
         b. FFA – Ryan Wolf,
         c. HOSA – Sanya Oli,
         d. Skills USA – Alyson Ball

B. Executive Director Search
   i. Interviews will be held 3/27 and 3/29.

C. Iowa ACTE State Conference, September 19, 2023, FFA Enrichment Center
   i. Call for Proposals opened March 1.
   ii. Conference Planning Committee Meeting
      1. March 1 @ 4:30 was held. Next mtg 4/13 @ 4:30 p.m.
      2. They are working on the Keynote speaker and other details.

D. Iowa ACTE Award of Merit – Can select two.

ii. We can select two award recipients. The people who nominated the candidate will write a paragraph and we will vote by e-mail. Karen will set up the Google form.

E. Awards
i. Nominations for 2023 Iowa Awards (2025 ACTE awards) and the David Bunting and Sandra Miller scholarships are due August 1 in the awards portal.

XI. New Business:
A. IWBL Conference April 4
   i. Iowa ACTE exhibit and greetings.

B. Division Meetings – It is an expectation that IACTE have an exhibit table and bring greetings from IACTE to divisions.

C. As of now, it is not an expectation that ACTE has a table or brings greetings to Iowa Division Meetings. Someone will need to clarify this with ACTE, and we will discuss this at a later meeting. This needs to be consistent among all divisions.

D. The decision to change June meeting date from June 12 (Region III dates are June 12-14) is tabled until the next meeting.

E. Other - none

XII. Adjourn
A. It was moved by Spannagel and seconded by Troester to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Future Meeting Dates: Mondays, 4:30 – 5:30 via Zoom – April 24, May 22, June ?

*Executive Director Report
March 27, 2023

Program of Work:
Member Value and Engagement
Membership Report:
   By 2/28/2023
   IACTE Membership for 2022-2023
   July through January: 156 members
   February membership: 4
   **Total Professional Members: 160**
   **Student Members: 9**

Upcoming Events:
IWBL Conference Exhibit: April 4, 2023
IHEA Conference Exhibit: June 14 – 15, 2023
IAAE Conference Exhibit: June 25 – 27, 2023
IFCSE Conference Exhibit: August 2 – 3, 2023
IBEA Conference Exhibit: September 17 – 18, 2023

Awards
Iowa ACTE Award of Merit – Iowa may select two this year.
2023 recipients will move on to Region III level on March 1
Iowa Award nominations and two teacher prep scholarship nominations due August 1, 2023

Professional & Leadership Development
Iowa ACTE Best Practices Conference 2023 planning is underway. Call for Proposals opened March 1.

Region III Conference is June 12 - 14, Springfield, MO area. Call for proposals is open until April 5.

CTE Learn modules and ACTE webinars are available.

Advocacy and Awareness and Strategic Partnerships
CTE Day at the Capitol 2024: Save the Date February 6, 2024

ACTE National Policy Seminar was a huge success! The students did a fantastic job telling their CTE stories and asking for increased support for CTE at the federal level. Nine people attended each of the six U.S. legislative meetings including Shelby Berte, ACTE New Professional Fellow. Legislative visits were held with staffers of all six U.S. legislators. We also had a Capitol Tour conducted by Senator Ernst’s office.

Students who attended were:
Ryan Wolf, FFA NE State Vice President
Ian Hertenstein, FCCLA President
Sanya Oli, HOSA President
Alyson Ball, SkillsUSA Iowa State Officer

Chaperones who attended were:
Alison Hertenstein
Kent Storm

IACTE Board Members who coordinated the event and attended were:
Sandy Warning
Sandy Miller

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Miller