

ACTEN Board of Directors' Meeting  
Saturday, January 13, 2018  
9:00 a.m. – Conference Call  
MINUTES

**Call to Order:** President Jeremy Cowley called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Jeremy Cowley, Emily Anderson, Dan Phillips, DeLayne Havlovic, Steven Woodside, Cynthia Baum, Anne Schmall, Siera Meyer, Tyler Schindler, Carmen Hall, Dave Gee

**Board Members Absent:** Morgan Trausch, Janelle Stansberry, Camelle Kinney, Melissa Hansen, Debra Ziegler, Brittany McPhillips

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Murleen Bellinger (ACTEN Executive Director), Richard Katt (NE Department of Education), Kathleen Kennedy (NCE Innovation Foundation), Matt Maw (Nebraska State Business Education Association), Siera Meyer (Newsletter)

**Ex-Officio Members Absent:** Brent Nollette (Nebraska Agriculture Educators Association), Carol Kreutzer (Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers of Nebraska), Will Winchester (Nebraska Industrial & Technology Educators Association)

**Secretary's Report:**

The Minutes from October 28, 2017 Board of Directors' Meeting were reviewed. There were no other questions or changes to the minutes.

**DeLayne Havlovic moved to approve the minutes as presented.  
Anne Schmall seconded. Motion passed.**

**Treasurer's Report:** DeLayne Havlovic

The first quarter of the ACTEN operating budget just finished. \$400 dollars have been deposited from Newsletter funds. Expenses are due to CareerTech VISION Conference in December.

**The treasurer's report will be filed for Audit.**

**NDE Update:** Richard Katt

At the national level, 59 senators have signed on to approve the Perkin's reauthorization bill. Katie Graham is now serving as the deputy state director for Career and Technical Education. Amy Tomlinson will replace Anita Foor as the state NDE Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources career specialist. She will begin serving in this position on June 1, 2018. Governor Pete Ricketts is suggesting a two percent cut from budget and a four percent cut for next year.

**ACTE Update:** Jeremy Cowley

56 people from the state of Nebraska attended the CareerTech VISION 2017 conference. Nebraska won an excellence award for the state association during the conference. Next year's conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas. Members who are planning on attending the

National Policy Seminar in March should let Murleen Bellinger. The Region V Conference will be held in Colorado Springs. A fifty-dollar gift card from Omaha Steaks will be donated from ACTEN for a fundraiser.

**2018 ACTEN Election of Officers and Representatives: Anne Schmall**

Two officer positions are open for the upcoming year. Emily Anderson will serve as secretary for a second term. President Elect position will need to be filled. Discipline representative positions that will need to be filled are; Administration, Agriculture Education, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, Guidance and Career Development, Health Science Technology Education, Engineering and Technology Education and Marketing Education. Adult Workforce Development and Special Populations currently do not have a representative. Ballots will be sent via e-mail in April to each voting member with a link to the ballot for their discipline or the general ballot.

**2018 ACTEN Awards: Anne Schmall**

Applicants will use the ACTE Awards Portal to apply. The deadline is March 1, 2018. ACTE board members need to continue to encourage others to apply. Those serving on the Nominating and Awards committee will receive a message from the awards portal with their password to access, review and judge the ACTEN Applications after the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline has passed.

**Career and Technical Education Month (February 2018):**

President Jeremy Cowley spoke with the Nebraska Loves Public Schools organization. They will be releasing a few films that focus on career and technical education and academies. All of their social media campaigns should also include “#CTEMonth.” The first Monday of February, all Career and Technical School Organizations presidents will be meeting at the unicameral, they will have a proclamation that day.

**Newsletter Update: Murleen Bellinger**

Each division representative is responsible for getting newsletter stories from their peers and sharing them with Murleen Bellinger and Siera Meyer. Board members should also be sharing articles regarding leadership.

**Website:**

The ACTEN website was hacked and had to be cleaned up with the help of Go Daddy. For an additional cost, the website could be protected from hackers. During the June ACTEN meeting, it will be decided whether to have ACTE host our website for free or to continue running the website independently adding the additional protection.

**Strategic Plan:**

ACTE has updated their Strategic Plan using five themes: member value and engagement, professional and leadership development, advocacy and awareness and strategic partnerships and innovation. Once the Strategic Plan has been finalized, the ACTEN board will determine if they want our Strategic Plan to follow their themes.

**New Business:**

- Kathleen Kennedy did not have any updates on NCEIF since October.
- An electronic postcard filing with the IRS will be sent out in February.
- Updated membership lists will be sent to division representatives.
- Our ACTEN fundraiser during NCE will be split the pot for a third year.
- A new line item will need to be added to the expense account budget to reflect the payment to the award winner.
- Possible scholarships were discussed for college students entering a Career and Technical Education career field during their student teaching experience.
- The ACTE representative for the NCE conference will be Lorri Carlile, past president of ACTE. Lorri is a Family and Consumer Science educator. She will introduce herself during the first night of conference, she will give a speech during the awards luncheon, assist with passing out awards and will attend the Assembly of Delegates meeting on Wednesday.

**Bylaw Changes: Dave Gee**

No changes are being made to the bylaws at this time.

**Board Planning Retreat:**

The ACTEN board will be meeting at the Grand Island Career Pathways Institute on February 24th. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and lunch will be provided.

**State Discipline Association Reports: Discipline Association Presidents**

NSBEA had over forty people visit the College of Business Administration building on the University of Nebraska – Lincoln's campus. They received a tour of the new building.

**Adjournment:**

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.**