

REPORT TO THE WA-ACTE EXECUTIVE BOARD

WA-ACTE Past-President

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1. General thoughts:

Greetings my friends, I hope as you read this your life is coming back to more shades of normalcy. As we continue our work to bring you the best summer conference, I can tell you your board members have done an outstanding job in both reviewing how to build timely and purposeful Professional Development but also keep our association growing into a new digital and online era. I know that each of you will find information to support you in your coming years of teaching as well as allow you to gain the clock hours you will need for continued certification. On another note, I want to thank all of you for allowing me to work in a leadership role in WA-ACTE as it has been a pleasure and honor to do so. As I step down from the executive committee and retire from my position as CTE director for Auburn I consider myself lucky to have worked with so many outstanding people and I hope each of you have futures that bring you happiness and fulfillment as mine has for me. CTE has been a blessing in my life and one that I have loved sharing.

2. Strategic Plan Activities:

Your executive board has been working to keep the strategic plan focused and looking to our future. My work has been to review and develop a framework for a succession plan for our director and support team members. No, no one is going anywhere but we have discussed a procedure/framework needs to be in place when the time comes. As I decided to retire from my district position this year, I saw that changes/decisions can come up quickly so to have a plan to allow for smooth transition is a must. No one likes change, but we must be prepared so our members are assured of WA-ACTE's continued growth and success. I hope change is years down the road, but we need to be prepared.

3. Matters of Interest:

Please look to our board minutes this fall as there will be information dealing with our designing of a succession plan for WA-ACTE to assure we are continuing to build for our future. As board members cycle through, we must be looking for those that will follow, and that means new presidents, as well as directors and support staff if those needs arise. We have a great crew but looking to build for the future is something we need to do to keep relevant for our members.

4. Executive Committee Activities:

The Executive committee has been working hard to design an in person as well as a virtual conference while keeping quality professional development as our must have for our CTE members.