

REPORT TO THE WA-ACTE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Executive Director

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1. General Thoughts:

As the legislative session ends, there has not been any significant increase in school funding provided in the final supplemental budget. As school districts plan their budgets, we are hearing of the struggles all are having even in those districts who passed both their replacement levies and capital bond projects. This seems to be due to a variety of issues, not the least of which is the general loss of FTE and 'one-time' dollars available to districts.

This puts additional pressure on how CTE funds within districts will be used to help maintain budgets for districts. We continue to work with our CTE representatives on the OSPI Accounting Committee to retain funds allocated for CTE from the state to be used in directly supporting CTE. Along with that work the Washington ACTE Legislative Huddle group will continue to during the interim to work on a legislative package for the next session for the fields preferred solution to the challenge if the Accounting Committee cannot find a suitable solution.

The Washington ACTE Legislative Huddle will be working to seek input from the field on any legislative issues needed for the upcoming session. Be on look out for email invitation(s) to participate in that process.

With the pending funding/budget struggles of school districts, as an association we are concerned with the 'downstream' affect of budget cuts reducing attendance at future conferences thus revenue to the association.

2. Strategic Plan Activities:

- Succession/Benefits
 - As your director I continue to reach out to providers of both an investment structure and how to provide health care cost support that works for current staff and will be available for any new hires going forward.
- Advocacy and Outreach
 - I continue to meet regularly with both Superintendent Reykdal and Director Fox to stay in touch on mutually supporting each other in supporting CTE in Washington

- I attend any and all Section Board meetings I am invited to

3. Matters of Interest:

- Legislative Committee
 - Updates can be found via the WOVE Newsletter this past session and my comments above.
- FAME Committee
 - State award winners have been moved on to Region V
 - The committee will be working to support the Summer Conference Auction and identifying and planning a Community Service activity for the conference in Spokane.
- Professional Development Committee
 - Is well on the way for planning summer conference.

4. Executive Committee Activities:

The Executive Committee meets weekly in order to discuss any item that is timely and of importance to CTE and plan for board meetings. By the time of this board meeting the Exec Committee will have returned from the National Policy Seminar in D.C. and will be prepping for Region V.

This spring the committee will be working on upcoming budget for our May meeting and how to best 'onboard' new board representatives at our face-to-face meeting in August.