REPORT TO THE WA-ACTE EXECUTIVE BOARD

President-Elect

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1. General Thoughts:
WA-ACTE has weathered the changes and challenges of COVID well. We are holding virtual meetings, conferences and communications. Membership is solid and our budget is balanced.

2. Strategic Plan Activities:
A wonderful WA-ACTE team met virtually with a dozen state representatives or their team during our annual National Policy Seminar in February promoting CTE, Perkins and increased access to broadband across the state and country. It was an informative and positive experience for all of us.

The results of this year’s legislative work, while not stellar due to COVID and budget changes, was positive for CTE in various areas including student leadership organization.

3. Matters of Interest:
The use of virtual communication has been used successfully by our WA-ACTE team/members for meetings, conferences and trainings. Sections have purchased cameras for use during conferences to increase equity and access for all members. Additional tech training in the use of these cameras should be available soon.

4. Executive Committee Activities:
The FAME Committee continues to work on ways to market WA-ACTE and increase member engagement. An application for the Region V Opportunity Grant was submitted and $2,000 was awarded for creation of 30 second video segments that market CTE in Washington State. The team is working to create fun engaging activities for summer conference to increase involvement. We have also increased awareness of the awards available through WA-ACTE. The goal was to have more award applications for 20-21 than we did in 20-19. I believe we have met that goal.

Finally, because our summer conference will be a hybrid model, our annual WA-ACTE Foundation auction will be held virtually allowing access to the bidding process both in person and virtually. More on this to come.