

**ICTA Board Meeting  
October 17, 2007  
Heartland Community College, Normal, Illinois**

Carol Leach called the ICTA Board meeting to order at 12:40 p.m. In attendance were the following board members: Cyndie Garcia; Mary Stouffer; Tom Hott; Rob Knutson; Cindy Stover; Kay Smoot; Carol Leach; Susan Hanfland; Pam Weber; Jeff Jerdee; Dan Kreidler; Ron Pieper; Katrina Paddick; Brenda Yates; and Joyce Taylor

Carol Leach reviewed the IACTE Legislative Platform, stating that the consensus of the members during the planning meeting was to endorse the IACTE platform with some recommended modifications.

**Motion: Adopt the IACTE platform as the basis for the ICTA platform and stress quality programs for students in Item I and changes in capital funding in Item 2.**

**Susan Hanfland / Tom Hott.      Motion carried**

Next, Carol reviewed the FY 07 - FY 08 ICTA action plan. The items in the action plan identified by the board included the following:

Action Item 1: Mount a campaign to connect CTE with economic development by identifying business and community people who support CTE issues.

Action Item 2: Support capital development funding for AVC's.

Action Item 3: Develop a "white paper" on Work Keys assessment and its relationship to CTE.

Action Item 4: Be prepared to address educational items that require immediate action.

Action Item 5: Testify at legislative budget hearings.

**Motion: Adopt the ICTA Action Plan including the action items listed above.**

**Cindy Stover / Rob Knutson      Motion carried**

Next, Carol Leach discussed the need to request more funding from ISBE. The funding would be used to improve career and technical education program and reverse the affects of a decade of flat funding. Carol noted that twenty years ago we could purchase typewrites for \$99 and now they are obsolete and replaced by computers that cost \$999 and we do this with very little, if any, increase in funding. Rob Knutson added that the price of steel for machining programs has increased by 500%. Pam Weber noted that these are all good talking points when discussing our financial need with legislators.

**Motion: Request an additional 10 million dollars in the Career and Technical Education line item of the FY 09 ISBE budget.**

**Katrina Paddick/ Cindy Stover      Motion carried.**

Next, Carol Leach discussed the need for a team of people to respond to any emergencies regarding funding or policies relating to CTE program. Carol appointed the following to the CTE Emergency Response team: Susan Handfland; Katrina Paddick; John Bailey; Cynthia Garcia; Tom Hott.

Carol announced that she is scheduling February 5 and 6, 2008 for an ICTA Board meeting and a workshop. The next board meeting will be held February 5, 2008 along with a System Director's Leadership Committee meeting. The following day, there will be will a workshop session on data and data collection. Tentatively, both activities will be held at the Capital Area Career Center.

Carol stated that she needs help with planning and organizing this event including assistance with identifying the speakers, setting up food and lodging, and preparing and conducting registration. Tom Hott agreed to assist in reserving a block of rooms at a local hotel. Cindy Stover will arrange for food for the workshop. Cynthia Garcia agreed to help with getting speakers. Joyce Taylor agreed to develop a registration form and Mary Stouffer will handle the registrations and monies. The registration fee will be \$50 and Cynthia Garcia will prepare the agenda for the day.

Next, Katrina Paddick informed the group that IACTE has eliminated the fall legislative day and the executive board will revamp the spring legislative day. Also, they are planning to work on a policy seminar to educate the membership.

Kay Smoot asked about direction for the membership committee. Carol stated that she should help promote and increase membership in ICTA. Tom Hott added that he will send the names of members to Kay and added that the purpose of membership is marketing and recruiting new members. The group suggested creating a brochure and contacting new people.

Next, Carol discussed the ICTA website. She stated that it was discussed and voted on at the previous meeting to put the website on AOL. Jeff Jerdee added that the entire server where the website had been housed was changed and that was why no one was able to access it. He added that he would try and get the website up and if he was not able to he would send a CD to Joyce Taylor. Then it could be transferred to another site.

**Motion:            Adjourn the meeting.**  
**Susan Handfland / Mary Stouffer**

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Taylor, secretary  
*Approved February 5, 2008*