

POST SECONDARY MINUTES:

SUMMER CATA THURSDAY JUNE 25, 2020

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1. Since CATA SUMMER 2019 the post-secondary got together for our Post-Secondary Mid-Winter Institute December 5-7, it was hosted by COS and held at the Visalia Convention Center. We had two great speakers on Food Safety and Ag Crimes in Tulare County then went on some great Ag Industry tours. Our committees met: With Student leadership discussing the CAL competition on Feb 7 at Merced College, In-service talked about the next mid-winter institute at Victor Valley College in Dec of 2020 and Curriculum met and discussed various course ID's and how there is always a need for more reviewers especially at the CSU level. Ag Pathways was also discussed and a meeting was being planned for CATA summer conference. All the committees discussed VISION 2030 and offered key areas of discussion for summer conference.
2. Friday Dec 13, Community colleges met at Fresno State to discuss discipline specific articulation and transfer classes, which was very helpful at fulfilling student needs for transfer.
3. On Feb 7, our last event before COVID, was CAL-Collegiate Ag Leadership, encompasses CC students, met at Merced College for a conference and competition.
4. THEN MARCH 15 hit, NEED I SAY MORE!!, As all college instructors were scrambling to get their classes online, some within a 48-hour period, Nancy Gutierrez sent several emails offering classes about teaching online such as: Association of college and universities education online teaching tool kit and DIY Educational videos on YouTube, she also created a CANVAS COMMONS page to share teaching strategies and labs for online.
5. May 26th the Community Colleges had a statewide Zoom meet about Best Practices for Online Labs where several instructors shared their experiences, tools and safety precautions. The meeting was very informative and it was decided to meet at summer CATA and again in July.
6. This week started out Tuesday with The Statewide Ag Advisory meeting.
 - a. John Shueber hosted the meeting and the focus was industry content such as almond prices dropping and milk prices rising, and committee members shared their need for "QUALITY" employees as there are still several jobs available that work online and face to face. Hot Topics and areas of study for our students were: Computer operators, Quality Controllers, Dairy robotics and automation, farming technology such as irrigation, farm mgmt. software, aerial imagery and water technology.

- b. Matt Patton shared current budget issues: on 6/22 the Governor, senate and assembly came to an agreement on the 20-21 spending plan. The community college will prevent cuts to apportionments and categorical. SB74 allows dipping into the reserve rather than a 50% cut with CTE. It looks like K12 and CC will be funded similar to last year. The Governor should sign by the end of the month.
 - a. There was some discussion on FFA being virtual for contests with so many schools on travel bans and colleges and other places not allowing events.
 - c. Face to Face labs/lecture were shared with the committee and most colleges didn't know what the plans were for Fall instruction assuming a type of hybrid with online lecture and face to face labs with safety practices in place. Several colleges will find out in July about Fall instruction.
- 7. The meeting for Best Practices online for Face to face labs was held Tuesday at 1:00 with Krista and Leimone hosting. Nancy announced that CANVAS now has a California Community College Ag and Natural resources page in COMMONS. College instructors can upload labs and online lesson plans to share. Several helpful links were also discussed to help assist with online and virtual labs and lectures, discussed were: Cal Ag Ed, CDE task force, Ed Puzzle and others.
- 8. Course Identification (CID) meetings were held Tues for ASCI and Weds for AG BUS. With Leimone hosting. Several classes were approved however more reviewers at the CC and CSUs are needed to help this process keep moving forward.
- 9. New Officers for POST SECONDARY are: President, Leimone Waite-Shasta College. Vice President, Tim Donovan-Merced College and Secretary will be voted on today at noon through Friday at noon. The two candidates are Russell Mc Keith from College of the Sequoias and Desi Molyneux from Reedley College so PLEASE GO VOTE when you get the email from ELECTION RUNNER. The announcement will be made Friday.
- 10. Sub committees also met Weds and reporting today is: Student Leadership-Russell Mc Keith, In-Service-Desi Molyneux and Curriculum-Shannan Cooper.
- 11. Thanks everyone!!
- 12. Motion to accept minutes as read.....