



**Meeting Minutes**

**Date: January 27, 2023**

**Time: 1:00 PM – via Zoom**

#	STATUS		NAME	INSTITUTION
	Present	Zoom		
1		x	Amine Oudghiri-Otmani	Marshall University
2		x	Asad Davari	WVU Institute of Tech.
3		x	Barbara Ladner, <b><u>Webmaster</u></b>	WV State University
4		x	Raymond Alvarez	Fairmont State University
5		x	Chris Ward	Southern WV CTC
6		x	Jeremy Larance	West Liberty University
7		x	Eloise Elliott	West Virginia University
8		x	Heather Hussell	Mountwest CTC
9		x	Holley Ralston	Blue Ridge CTC
10		x	Joel Farkas, <b><u>Chair</u></b>	WVU at Parkersburg
11		x	Joseph Allen, <b><u>Legislative Coordinator</u></b>	Concord University
12		x	Karen Berneburg, <b><u>Vice-Chair</u></b>	New River CTC
13		x	Kathy Herrington, <b><u>Secretary</u></b>	WV Northern Community College
14			Kristie Bridges	WV School of Osteopathic Med.
15		x	Kristen Tunno-Mullins	Glennville State College
16		x	Max Guirguis	Shepherd University

17			Mike Lilly	Bluefield State College
18		x	Natalie Sypolt	Pierpont CTC
19			Shirley Murphy	Eastern WV CTC
20		x	Lana Andean	Bridge Valley CTC
21			Tom Sydow	Potomac State College of WVU
22		x	Matt Turner	HEPC

**I. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes**

- Meeting called to order
- 17 members present – constitutes a Quorum.
- No official minutes available but will use notes from Max from the retreat as November minutes

**II. Discussion items:**

- Retreat/Officers/Legislation/Meetings
- Other – frequency of ACF elections: Members serve 2 year terms/officers 1 year or 2? Members serve two year terms according to code, but there are no term limits. Elections at institutions for representatives will be held in March of this year with new members taking effect in July. Undecided about terms for officers but consensus was that it takes a while for members and officers to grow into their role and understand the purpose of the ACF, so perhaps 2 year terms make more sense

**III. Retreat**

- 2 nights, November 3-5, 2023 (Fri – Sun)
  - i. Eloise Elliot obtained information about Stonewall Resort from a Robin Poling; more centrally located, fairly reasonable, nice facility for our purposes, available on those days. Eloise will confirm reservation and support/payment through Jelayne Croiser at HEPC

**IV. Officers**

- Lana Andrean asked that someone replace her as secretary due to other commitments. Kathy Herrington agreed to serve as secretary but notified the group that she may not be re-elected as representative from WV Northern so can only commit until July. Motion by J. Larance to nominate K.Herrington for secretary, seconded by K. Tunno-Mulliin. Motion carried.

## V. Legislation

- Matt Turner discussed legislation
  - i. ***“Self-defense” Campus Carry bill.*** Has passed the Senate, expected to pass House. Several revisions, including exceptions/controls where guns can be carried (see SB 10). Must have a Concealed Carry permit. There may be a public hearing coming up on this in the House soon. Questions regarding whether legislation will include paying for additional costs incurred by schools to meet controls (lockers, metal detectors, etc.), no fiscal note in the bill so far, so some fears it will be an unfunded mandate, which some schools may have trouble funding. Also impact of federal laws on high school classes on campuses, who will be responsible for monitoring and confiscating weapons in prohibited areas, etc.
  - ii. ***Dual enrollment bill.*** Discussion of how it affects 4 year schools. WV doesn't have state sponsorship and \$25/credit hour doesn't cover costs. State may fund up to \$75/credit hour in specific fields (not in the bill), but may pilot programs and make “meta majors” eligible for payment. Matriculation is greater in specific programs than gen ed. Discussion re: having institutions look at their costs and what it takes to break even. This has been referred to the House finance committee for discussion of projected costs and initiate a “healthy pilot” program.

Joel, Jeremy, and Joe visited legislators (Statler & Tony) last week and discussed how to guarantee that high school courses = college courses, concerned about rigor and grades. Should we ask that high school courses be taught by college faculty, be graded by college faculty, or have colleges do a “post-assessment” to ensure equivalency? Discussion will continue on this

Discussion on “Early College” (HB 2005) and implications if h.s. students take too many courses, they can’t fill a FT schedule when they get to college, which affects financial aid. Interested parties should read the bill and “committee substitute”

- iii. **SB 251**, introduced, says that if someone donates an “In God We Trust” poster or sign, that schools (K-12 and higher ed) have to display it in a prominent place in each building”
- iv. **SB 215 and HB 2542**, introduced, seeks to filter out or ban TikTok on government devices (state or federal agencies Wifi), including for marketing or advertising, including colleges due to fears of China accessing data, etc. U of TX, WI, MS, SD, IN, LA, NC have already done this
- v. **HS 2833**, introduced, dealing with Mental Health, offers additional support for increasing the Behavioral Health Workforce and supporting programs to lead to careers in behavioral health. It is expected to pass the House, not sure about the Senate.
- vi. In the budget bill, included is one time monetary support for deferred maintenance for colleges to make campus upgrades (roofs, technology, etc.) but no new construction.

We thank Matt for his information and guidance on keeping us informed about what’s going on with legislation. His input is invaluable.

**VI. Other General Discussions:**

- Amine(Marshall) discussed continuing efforts to attract and retain international students, get them to come to WV and stay, allowing for permanent visas and citizenship. He reported that Ohio has put something in state code regarding this and asked Matt if this might be possible in WV, although there are many issues to consider. Matt will look into this.

**VII. Next meetings – Friday, April 28, 2023 on Zoom at 1:00 p.m. Link will be sent closer to the meeting date. Monday, July 24, 2023 in person (preferred) with Zoom available for those who can’t make it.**

**VIII. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Herrington, Secretary