



**Career Education (CE) Committee**

Tuesday November 7, 2023

Hybrid HSS 261 and Zoom

1:00PM – 2:15pm

**Zoom:** A.J. Adelman, Tracy Beidleman, Tom Chen, Drew Davis, Andria Denmon, Mario Franco, Amanda Garcia, Nancy Grass, Jazmin Guzman, David Hall, Ashanti Blaize-Hopkins, Jennifer Hsieh, Ferris Kawar, Jenny Landa, Ann Marie Leahy, Hannah Nelson, Sharyn Obsatz, Debbie Perret, Perviz Sawoski, Steven Sedky, Joshua Thomas.

**In person:** Rebecca Agonafir, Ruth Casillas, Victoria Charles, Sheila Cordova, Jazmin Guzman, Gary Huff, Maria Leon-Vazquez, Lisa Lewenberg, Dana Nasser, Debbie Perret, Steven Sedky, Redelia Shaw, Howard Stahl,

**Call to Order:** 1:01 pm

**Public Comments and Announcements:**

We kindly ask for everyone – whether in person or on zoom - to speak loudly so that everyone can hear.

**Approval of Minutes:** October 3, 2023

Maria Leon – Vazquez motioned to approve, Howard Stahl second. All are in favor, no abstentions, no oppositions.

**Reports:**

Chair: Debbie Perret

N/A

Vice Chair: Steven Sedky

Introduces the new Learning-Aligned Employment Program (LAEP) Program Manager - Lisa Lewenberg.

**Information and Discussion Items**

- a. Introduction Lisa Lewenberg - Project Manager, The Learning-Aligned Employment Program (LAEP). Lisa Lewenberg informs the committee of her background before arriving to SMC. She reviews a presentation around LAEP. See attached.

**CCCAOE Share Out**

A few committee members that attended the conference share out their experience and highly recommend the California Community College Association for Occupational Education (CCCAOE). It is a great place to hear what other colleges are working on and also what other members from our teams are working on. AJ Adelman was a presenter at the conference and presented the



CCLA Regional Marketing project (funded through April 2024) and notes that any social media and advertising content will be available in the future. The next conference is scheduled for April 2024 in Sacramento.

- b. Catapult Professional Development, Steven Sedky  
Currently, Catapult has sent out an email to each of you with your login and password for watching training videos on your own. We think watching together and having discussions around the provided topics would be more beneficial. The committee will be polled via email to set up possibly two dates for this training. The two training sessions will be held before the end of the calendar year.
- c. Perkins Application Update, Ruth Casillas  
The Perkins FY 24-25 Applications will be due in February. The committee will receive an email by the end of November 2023 with the updated template and further information to accessing the core indicators and additional resources. In addition, an email reminder will be sent for spending down FY 23-24 funds.
- d. [Grant Opportunity Overview](#), Tracy Beidleman - Director of Grants  
The committee is shown a presentation where faculty can try to request funding other than the funding sources offered by the Office of Workforce.
- e. Discussion on Closing Equity Gaps and Best Practice for Perkins and Strong Workforce Funds  
This discussion will be presented on the next agenda. The committee would like to hear from different departments what they are working on, best practices, and closing equity gaps.

Adjournment: 2:15 pm

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Next scheduled meeting: 11/21/2023, 1:00-2:15, Location: Hybrid HSS 261 & Zoom