

**October 28, 2013**  
**Meeting of Consortium of Adult Ed Programs**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Julie Lynn Martin (CUSD), Jay Simmonds (CUSD), Roberto Serrato (CUSD), Jeff Rowe (Alliance Worknet), Eric Anderson (Modesto), Mike Henderson (Modesto), Isaias Rumayor (Turlock), Pedro Mendez (MJC) and Tonya Bibbins (Patterson).

- **Introductions**
- **Review of Minutes – September 11, 2013**
  - Jay reviewed where we are today with planning this consortium and what was discussed at the meeting on September 11.
- **Overview of Regional Plan**
  - Julie provided a brief summary of the AB86 Webinar. No real answers from the State and this point. It appears that the State is waiting to see what each region proposes in terms of services and cost. Julie communicated the outcome of a conversation with Pedro that followed the AB86 webinar.
  - Upon arrival, Pedro reiterated the fact that there is no decision on if 1 application or 3 will be submitted for this region.
  - Discussion continued on the basic elements of this plan:
    - Program Design Concept:
      - MJC is the lead
      - Current Districts with Adult Ed offerings
        - Modesto
        - Turlock
        - Ceres
      - Current districts to expand offerings in ESL, Diploma, and GED
      - Districts to specialize in CTE training
      - MJC to provide testing certifications
      - Create a comprehensive link of services between Adult Ed providers, postsecondary ed/training and the Alliance (workforce entry).
      - MJC to determine if it is feasible to provide zero credit training courses that result in a certification.
- **AB 86 Updates**

According to AB 86, the consortia will use funding to develop regional plans for the education of adults in the following areas:

  - Elementary and basic skills;
  - Classes for immigrants (English as a Second Language, citizenship, and workforce preparation);
  - Programs for adults with disabilities;
  - Short term Career Technical Education (CTE) programs with high employment potential; and
  - Programs for apprentices.

AB 86 also specifies that consortia plans must include:

- Evaluation of level and types and needs of adult education programs within the region and plans to address gaps.
- Plans to integrate programs to create seamless transition for students into postsecondary education or the workforce.
- Plans to employ approaches to accelerate a student's progress toward academic or career goal; for example, contextualized basic skills and CTE, and other joint programming strategies between adult education and CTE.
- Plans to collaborate with partners on the provision of ongoing professional development for faculty and other staff.
- Plans to leverage existing regional structures, including local workforce investment areas.

### Latest Info:

- RFA will be released Dec 2013
  - It will be a “plan- to- plan” RFA
- RFA will be due late Feb 2014
- RFA is non-competitive
- RFA is formulaic
- Consortiums of all sizes are being planned
- Distribution of funding will be based on the quantity, size and representation of the regional applications submitted.
- AB 86 information is available at the following [link http://ab86.cccco.edu/Home.aspx](http://ab86.cccco.edu/Home.aspx)
- Town hall meetings will be held at the end of the month
  - Roberto attended the Clovis meeting.

Two takeaways from the Clovis Town Hall meeting—

1. **The State’s Adult Education Work Group of 6 (three from the CDE and three from the Chancellors Office will determine how much each Consortium will get of the \$25,000,000—**The goal of the town hall meeting is to inform the Work Group on how to distribute the planning grants (the 25,000,000) to each Consortium and to gather input on the needs of the Adult Education community across the state. One factor they may consider is the Unemployment Rate of the Regional Consortium. The criteria will articulated after the Town-Hall meetings.
2. **The Work Group will inform the State of the funds needed to make the plans happen as of 2015—**The Work Group will advise the Governor on the Adult Education needs across the state based on the plans and projected costs. The Legislative Representatives who attend these town hall meetings do not know what is going to happen, but would like for the planning grants to be used to determine/plan for the ideal Adult Education collaboration between Colleges and K-12 districts in order to propose budget needs (mentioned 900,000,000 as a starting point).
  - **The Working Group does not know what is going to happen for certain—**The committee of six is only deciding on how to distribute the planning grant moneys, but is serving as an advisory group to the State/Governor as to the \$\$ needed to make the Consortium plans happen.

Visit <http://ab86.cccco.edu/> often - as the information is being updated daily after each Town-Hall meeting.

- **Review of regional demographic information**
  - Modesto City School providing demographic information through email and hard copy.
  - Jeff Rowe provided information through email related to local labor statistics, etc.
- **What’s Next?**
  - As we continue to learn about this opportunity – the information will be shared so that application planning can take place in a timely manner.
- **Future Meeting**
  - December 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm to 2:30pm at MJC West Campus – Sierra Hall (Pedro will host)