CENTRAL VALLEY MOTHER LODE REGIONAL CONSORTIUM

February 2025 Regional Meeting

Agenda:

- 9:30-9:35am Welcome & Introductions
- 9:35-9:40am Approval of December Meeting Minutes
- 9:40-9:50am State Chancellor's Office News & Information
- 9:50-10:00am Website Updates/Feedback Request
- 10:00-10:05am COE News & Information
- 10:05-10:15am Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL)
- 10:15-10:30am CVML Governance Model Discussion
- 10:30-10:50am Project & Contract Review, Regional/Region-Wide Plan Updates
- 10:50-11:20am Workforce Developments
- 11:20-11:35am Apprenticeship Developments
- 11:35-11:40am K14 TAP/Pathway Coordination
- 11:40-11:55am CVML Retreat Updates/Feedback Request
- 11:55-12:00pm Closing/Adjournment

Approval of December Meeting Minutes (Lora Larkin)

Draft minutes SC meeting 12.06.2024 - Google Docs

VOTE: Grant Ermis motioned to approved minutes. Nicole Griffin seconded the motion. Pedro Mendez, Brandon Price, and Bobbi Mahfood all abstained

State Chancellor's Office News & Information (Dalbir Singh & Sabrina Aguilar) Sabrina Aguilar, <u>Specialist Workforce and Economic Development</u> and Dalbir Singh, <u>Program</u> <u>Assistant II Workforce and Economic Development</u>, who oversee apprenticeship programs for the Chancellor's Office, offered support to the group regarding apprenticeships and pre-apprenticeships. Sabrina emphasized the importance of the upcoming deadlines, such as the regional trainings and ELL Healthcare Pathway deadlines. Pedro asked about the California Adult Education Program (Cape), to which Sabrina and Dalbir promised to check and provide updates. Sabrina also highlighted the upcoming deadlines for related and supplemental instruction funding, and the California Apprenticeship Initiative. She also mentioned the upcoming regional training sessions and the ongoing work on the fiscal year 2025-26 allocation. Dalbir clarified that there will be Round 3 for the ELL Pathway, but there might be changes to the process. Brandon asked about the possibility of an extension for the pre-apprenticeship grants, to which Sabrina responded that they had received several extension requests and requested that the group send an email with additional details for their dean's consideration. <u>February 2025 Workforce & Economic Development Division Program Updates</u> were dropped in the chat.

Website Updates/Feedback Request (Rebecca Murillo)

Top Requests: (Met with EE, COE, Deans, NFN, Launch)

- Highlighted Meetings/Event Calendar
- COE DATA (LMI Request and CVML Program Reports)
- New Programs (Process and Approved Programs), CVML Crosswalk
- Password Protected Page with internal links/data information, budgets, onboarding, etc.
- Success Stories
- Employers/Apprenticeships/Workforce Development
- CC SWP
- K12 SWP
- Strategic Plan
- Program Mapper for our region <u>PPM Schools Program Pathways Mapper</u>

Rebecca Murillo, <u>Program Director Strong Workforce</u>, focused on updates to the website and tools for labor market information. Rebecca shared plans to highlight the meeting and event calendar, data and information from the Center of Excellence, new programs, and success stories. She also mentioned the possibility of integrating the Program Mapper into the website.

<u>COE News & Information</u> (Patricia Salinas, Ignacio Faria, Angela Steitz)

Patty and Ignacio discussed the Living Wage Calculator tool, which they plan to send to Rebecca for inclusion on the website. Ignacio also presented the Demand Dashboard, which provides information on every single job code listed in Lightcast for each county. The team discussed the potential for future features, including dropdowns and multiple categories for combining data. Pedro discussed the high commuting patterns between various district areas and the need to attract these communities to Delta College. Ignacio agreed to pull specific data on these patterns, including San Joaquin County, Stanislaus County, and Sacramento County. Nicole asked about using the new supply and demand documentation for Nova projects, to which Ignacio confirmed it could be used. Patty and Ignacio are working on making this data easily accessible.

Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) (Lora Jorgensen)

Lora Jorgensen, <u>BACCC Bay Area Regional Director of Employer Engagement</u>, joined the meeting, discussing the issues with the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) and the need for reform. She mentioned that a bill, SB 275, has been introduced to address some of the issues and encouraged organizations to sign on in support of the recommendations.

Here is additional information: **Background**

Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) is a list of training programs that are approved by a local workforce agency (Job Center Administrators) to support dislocated workers. It is the ONLY list job seekers can use when selecting vital job training if they want access to public funds. Complex processes for training providers to get & stay on the list result in limited training options to low income job seekers. What's missing on ETPL is the full range of short term training programs offered by community Colleges.

Community Colleges - We need YOUR help!

For the first time in CA's history, we have one voice advocating for system change to the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL). Even though ETPL was designed to help those in need access high quality training, the system as it stands now is broken.

<u>As presented today</u>, a cross system coalition of Workforce Development Boards (ETPL Coordinators), Community Colleges, Adult Schools, and Regional Occupational Centers/Programs came together and created the *Statewide ETPL Workgroup* 12 months ago to identify ways to improve the system. They have identified <u>Five State Recommendations</u> that can drastically improve the ETPL process.

In response, the California Workforce Association (CWA) introduced <u>SB 275</u>. As this ETPL Reform Bill moves through the process, being able to highlight the volume of stakeholders from Community Colleges, Workforce Development Boards, Adult Schools, and Regional Occupational Centers/Programs all demanding system wide reform, will be critical.

Here's how you can support the statewide effort: <u>Simply click here</u> or scan this QR Code below to formally sign on in support of these statewide recommendations. It should take less than 2 minutes of your time.

Also, here is a <u>new draft ETPL one pager</u> designed to accompany SB275 along with all our stateside advocacy

<u>CVML Governance Model</u> (Lora Larkin, Grant Ermis, Jonna Schengel, Becky Barabe)

CVML Governance Model Feb-2025

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. Are there additional sections/subsections to be addressed?
- 2. Are there suggestions for formatting changes?
- 3. Have you identified any edits to be made for final draft approval?

Lora Larkin, <u>Executive Director/Regional Chair</u>, presented the development of a governance model for the consortium, which was shared with the group for feedback. The model outlines the consortium's mission, strategic commitments, and governance structure. Lora encouraged the group to review the document and provide feedback. There was also a discussion about the process for filling positions within the consortium, with a suggestion to include a timeframe for filling positions.

Project & Contract Review/Plan Updates (Rebecca Murillo & Beatrice Licon)

• Voting on <u>Program Approvals</u>

VOTE: Pedro Mendez motioned to approve all approved programs. Becky Barabe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

• Marketing Funds from SWP7

In the meeting, the deans discussed the leftover marketing funds from Round 7 and how these funds could be reallocated among colleges. They also discussed the contract processes for spending these funds and the potential need for new contracts. Deans agreed to move forward with the redistribution of funds and to explore options for making the process less cumbersome. Lora Larkin and Heather Ostash, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development, to meet on Tuesday 3/4/25, to discuss contract options for remaining marketing funds and provide information to deans next week. Beatrice Licon, Director of Programs and Compliance, will be checking balance and provide deans with the updated remaining amount.

• Discussion and voting on <u>SWP9 Regionwide Plans</u>

VOTE: Grant Emris motioned to move Region Wide funding from 9 to 8. Jonna Schengel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE: Pedro Mendez motioned to approve all SWP 9 Region projects in white collectively and not to exceed the current allocation. Jonna seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE: Jonna Schengel motioned to approve Jumpstart. Grant Emris seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE: Jonna Schengel motioned to not move forward with Loren Kellys contract. Osvaldo De Valle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Colleges that opted into Jump start are as follows: College of Sequoias 5, Lemoore 3, Merced 1, Porterville 4, Delta 1, and Cerro Coso 3.

- NOVA Plan discussion about changing format for SWP10. Start brainstorming in Sandbox to start building out at the Regional Planning Retreat
- Smart Sheet <u>Success Stories</u>

Workforce Developments (Adia Smith, Gary Potter, & Mary Watts)

RD Report January 2025 Folder

- 1. Strengthening Work-Based Learning (WBL) & Employer Engagement
 - a. What work-based learning models does your college currently offer?
 - b. What challenges are you facing in expanding paid internships or employer partnerships?
 - c. Are there specific industries where your students struggle to find opportunities? (We may be able to help identify barriers such as lack of opportunities, misalignment of skills, etc.)
- 2. Expanding Workforce Training in Rural & Underserved Areas
 - a. What workforce programs are lacking in rural or underserved areas?

- b. What barriers do rural students face in accessing training (e.g., transportation, internet access, funding)?
- c. What mobile labs or hybrid programs has your college implemented to serve underrepresented or rural areas?

3. Expanding Micro-Credentials & Short-Term Training

- a. What short-term training or micro-credential programs does your college currently offer?
- b. Are there high-demand fields where micro-credentials could be expanded?
- c. How is your college utilizing Not-For-Credit and Non-Credit programs?
- d. How are you using CPL to give access to credit programs?
- 4. Regional Advisory Committee Project Survey: https://forms.gle/AoZHwTwHhDk5PWma8

Regional directors Adia and Gary announce they will be setting up bi-weekly office hours to discuss their January report with campuses. The next meeting is scheduled for March 21st, despite a potential conflict with a Fresno State event that day.

Apprenticeship Developments (Adriana Fonseca)

Adriana Fonseca, <u>Regional Apprenticeship Manager</u>, provided an <u>PDF</u> update.

Sabrina Aguilar, Specialist Workforce and Economic Development advised the deans Chancellor is working with LAUNCH executive team to enter Regional Contracts, so they would fund all Region Consortia. This would be for the whole amount of Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Sabrina stated she will encourage Charles Hankles, Executive Director of LAUNCH to pause CVML's contract to utilize Chancellor's funds.

K 14 TAP/Pathway Coordination (Domenica Trinidad)

Introduction

Hi, My name is Domenica Trinidad, and I'm the new K14 TAP Director for the Central Valley/Mother Lode region, supporting K12 Strong Workforce Program (SWP) initiatives. I have over 10 years of experience in career services, with more than six years dedicated to workforce development, career education, and the Strong Workforce Program at Bakersfield College.

• K12 Pathway Coordinators Update

All Positions Filled

- Merced CCD: Tiffany Gong
- Kern CCD: Arnie Gonzalez
- West Kern CCD: Yeni Lopez
- San Joaquin CCD: Carly Sexton
- Sequoias CCD: Grecia Pacheco
- State Center CCD: Michelle Wong
- West Hills CCD: Kenny Lopez
- Yosemite CCD: Kevin Fox

• K12 SWP Round 7 Update **Total Allocation:** \$21,549,000

Applications Received: 40 Funded Projects: 38

• Collaboration Opportunities

Regional Alignment: Meeting with K12 awardees to discuss current projects and ensure alignment. **Pathway Development:** Engaging with LEAs before Round 8 RFA submission to develop strategies, especially for pathways with low enrollment.

Dual Enrollment Clarity: Providing guidance on dual enrollment policies across different colleges. **CTE Promotion:** Brainstorming regional events and activities, such as:

- Career expos
- CTE summits
- Employer panels

<u>CVML Retreat Updates/Feedback Request</u> (Rebecca Murillo)

- Registration Link: <u>Retreat Registration and Tenaya Lodge</u>
- Invitations CEOs, K12 partners, Industry Partners
- Student Panel

There was discussion about the potential inclusion of CEOs and K-12 partners in the upcoming planning retreat, with some expressing concerns about the timing and relevance of their participation. The idea of a student panel was also discussed, but some members expressed concerns about the time and resources required for such an event. The conversation ended with a discussion about the need for visionary input from CEOs at the retreat, with deans questioning the necessity of their presence.



Program Approvals

	Program Names	College	Submission Date	Approval Date	Vote Count
1.	Scenic Technician	SJDC	11/23/24	02/04/2025	Approved by 9 votes- Clovis, FCC, COS, Coalinga, PC, SJDC, TC, Merced and BC.
2.	Scenic Artist	SJDC	11/25/24	02/04/2025	Approved by 9 votes- Clovis, FCC, COS, Coalinga, PC, SJDC, TC, Merced and BC.
3.	Stage Electrician	SJDC	11/25/24	02/04/2025	Approved by 9 votes- Clovis, FCC, COS, Coalinga, PC, SJDC, TC, Merced and BC.
4.	Stage Makeup Technician	SJDC	11/25/24	02/04/2025	Approved by 9 votes- Clovis, FCC, COS, Coalinga, PC, SJDC, TC, Merced and BC.
5.	Agriculture Engineering Production Plant - Level 1 Safety	SJDC	12/18/24	02/03/2025	Approved by 9 votes- COS, PC, Clovis, TC, Coalinga, BC, FCC, Merced, Lemoore
6.	Early Childhood Educator II	Merced	12/19/24	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes- PC, Clovis, TC, Coalinga, BC, FCC, Merced, COS and SJDC
7.	Wildlife and Plant Technician Certificate of Achievement	Clovis	01/02/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes- Clovis, PC, COS, TC, FCC, Coalinga, Lemoore, BC and Cerro Coso
8.	Certificate of Achievement in Plant Health	COS	01/15/25	02/18/2025	Approved by 9 votes- FCC, TC, COS, Clovis, BC, PC, Coalinga, Cerro Coso, Merced
9.	Adobe Applications	FCC	01/15/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - FCC, COS, Coalinga, Clovis, TC, Lemoore, BC, PC and Cerro Coso
10.	Costume Technician	SJDC	11/22/24	02/10/2025	Approve by 10 votes - Clovis, FCC, COS, Coalinga, SJDC, TC, Merced, BC, PC and Cerro Coso
11.	Industrial Robotics Technician COA	Clovis	12/11/24	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes- FCC, Merced, TC, Coalinga,Lemoore, PC, BC, Clovis and COS
12.	Industrial Robotics Technician A.S.	Clovis	12/11/24	02/10/2025	Approved by 10 votes- FCC, Merced, TC, Coalinga,Lemoore, PC, BC, Clovis, COS and Cerro Coso



13.	Early Childhood Educator I	Merced	12/19/24	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes- TC, COS, Merced, Coalinga, Clovis, FCC, BC, PC and Cerro Coso
14.	Agriculture Engineering Production Plant - Level 2 Mechanical	SJDC	12/18/24	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes- PC, Clovis, TC, Coalinga, BC, FCC, Merced, Lemoore and COS
15.	Modern Policing	SJDC	02/18/25	02/23/2025	Approved by 10 votes - COS, TC, FCC, PC, Coalinga, Merced, SJDC, BC, Clovis, Columbia
16.	Education Foundations COA	Columbia	01/21/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - FCC, Clovis, PC, COS, Coalinga, TC, BC, Merced and Cerro Coso
17.	Paraprofessional Educator COA	Columbia	01/21/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - FCC, Clovis, PC, COS, Coalinga, TC, BC, Merced and Cerro Coso
18.	Fire Technology Certificate of Achievement	BC	01/22/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - FCC, Clovis, PC, COS, Coalinga, TC, BC, Merced and Cerro Coso
19.	Fire Technology Associate of Arts	BC	01/22/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 10 votes - TC, COS, FCC, SJDC, BC, Cerro Coso, Clovis, PC, Mered and Coalinga
20.	Electrical and Electronic Systems Certificate of Achievement	BC	01/27/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 10 votes - TC, COS, Coalinga, FCC, PC, SJDC, BC, Cerro Coso, Clovis and Merced
21.	Health Information Technology Assistant Certificate of Achievement	BC	01/24/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 10 votes - TC, COS, Coalinga, FCC, PC, SJDC, BC, Cerro Coso, Clovis and Merced
22.	Automotive Heating and Air Conditioning Certificate of Achievement	BC	01/27/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - TC, COS, Coalinga, FCC, PC, SJDC, BC, Cerro Coso and Merced
23.	Agricultural Leadership	Merced	01/10/25	02/10/2025	Approved by 9 votes - PC, TC, COS, Coalinga, Cerro Coso, BC, Clovis, SJDC and Merced
24.	Police Science Associate of Science	ВС	2/11/25	02/24/25	Approved by 9 votes - COS, PC, FCC, TC, Clovis, Coalinga, Merced, SJDC and BC
25.	Enrolled Agent Preparation Program, COA	Clovis	12/20/24	02/27/25	Approved by 9 votes - Clovis, PC, Coalinga, TC, BC, COS, Merced, Cerro Coso and FCC
26.	Education Studies Associate of Science	BC	11/27/24	02/27/25	Approved by 9 votes - Clovis, COS, TC,Coalinga, FCC, Merced, BC, PC and Cerro Coso
27.	Vocational Nursing	Porterville	2/26/25	2/28/25	Approved by 9 votes-BC, Clovis, Merced, COS, TC, PC, Cerro Coso, FCC and SJDC

