# **EDUCATORS RISING End of Year Report 2022-2023**

#### I. State Conferences/Competitions:

Recap of conferences:

- Educators Rising Teacher Leaders Meeting at TEC Meeting—Lake Morey Resort, November 1, 2022
- Educators Rising New Hampshire, Teacherfest—Plymouth State University, November 4, 2022 (CTSO Executive Director attended)
- Educators Rising New Hampshire, Teacherpalooza—Plymouth State University, April 7, 2023 (CTSO Executive Director, RTCC Teacher Leader, Three Members attended)
- Educators Rising Teacher Leaders Meeting at TEC Meeting—Lake Morey Resort, May 3, 2023

No survey was sent out; general comments were gathered at both TEC meetings and oneon-one meetings with RTCC Teacher Leader. Comments:

- Finding time to do this in addition to other responsibilities (Tier 1 & Tier 2 certifications, proficiency work, local school activities, etc.)
- This program seemed to be a top-down approach and participants feel hesitant about buying into it.
- Established curriculum work in local technical centers may not allow an easy transition.
- Suggested to incorporate the CTSO component first and add in curriculum gradually.

### II. Memberships

Randolph Technical Career Center—1 Teacher Leader; 5 Members

This is up 5 members from last year when Educators Rising was proposed to Human Services instructors.

#### **III.** Leadership Development

No state officers existed as there were no official bylaws nor enough members to warrant state officers/representatives.

Once membership increases, state officers/representatives will be determined and become part of the CTSO State Officer Training experience as well as be involved in their own Educators Rising leadership development.

# **IV.** Career Development and Connections with Employers:

By attending Educators Rising New Hampshire events, connections have been made with Carla Frank, the state advisor. She has invited Vermont students to attend next year's events (not competitions since that is only for NH members).

Also, the Teacher Leader at RTCC suggested contacting Norwich University to see if they would host an education conference for secondary students. Rommy Fuller will be contacted.

#### V. Local Advisors:

The challenge with local advisors (AKA Teacher Leaders) is that they need to buy into at least the CTSO aspect of Educators Rising before they delve into the curriculum benefits.

Although the CTSO Coordinator is temporarily holding the position of leadership for Educators Rising Vermont, once a designated person has been appointed, that person will be better able to connect with Teacher Leaders in Vermont.

#### VI. Communications:

Since Vermont is in its infancy with this CTSO and does not have a person at the helm who is formally steering this ship, the CTSO Coordinator has been connecting with Teacher Leaders via email and Google Docs. All invitations to Educators Rising New Hampshire events were sent via email and Teacher Leaders were to go to <a href="https://www.educatorsrisingnh.org/home.html">https://www.educatorsrisingnh.org/home.html</a> for information on conferences.

Teacher leaders were also introduced to educators rising.org to use the curriculum and review materials at a May 24, 2022 Educators Rising Vermont Retreat at Lake Morey Resort.

There is also a great deal of change at the national level, causing some confusion regarding information dissemination.

Apparently, VT-NEA is supposed to be involved. This aspect of EdRising Vermont has not been actively pursued.

# VII. National Conference/Competitions

No members attended the national conference in Orlando, FL. The Teacher Leader from RTCC had investigated going and representing Vermont, but there were too many challenges this year.

# VIII. Finances:

The balance for the state chapter of Educators Rising remained the same as there were no state funds accessed to operate a conference or membership dues. \$10,509.26 is the amount transferred from DECA to Educators Rising and remains at Randolph Technical Career Center.

No membership dues were generated since there are no bylaws as of yet indicating the state dues. Schools purchasing the curriculum receive 20 memberships with their order.

As part of the transition to Educators Rising, the state CTSO grant allotted funds for a coordinator position and incentive funds.

EdRising DATE	EdRising Grant TRANSACTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
1-Jul-22	Grant	18,750.00	18,750.00
15-Dec-22	First Semester Stipend Educators Rising NHTeacherpalooza5	4,375.00	14,375.00
2-May-23	attendees	100.00	14,275.00
22-Jun-23	Second Semester Stipend	4,375.00	9,900.00
23-Jun-23	Educators RisingItems for members and advisors for FLC (Bags, pins, sweatshirts)	4,010.00	5,890.00
29-Jun-23	Susan LaddReimbursement for Zazzle Incentive Items (water bottles)	5,511.35	378.65

# IX. Miscellaneous

The CTSO Coordinator is currently looking for someone to fill this position. However, until that occurs, the CTSO Coordinator will continue to handle these responsibilities as much as time allows.