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**CALIFORNIA APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL 2026
THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING
AGENDA**

Thursday August 13, 2026
9:00 A.M.

I. CONVENE QUARTERLY CAC MEETING

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Roll Call
- c. Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes
- d. Executive Session
The Council may recess to closed executive session pursuant to Government Code section 11126(q) to discuss litigation to which the Council is or may become a party.
- e. Announcements
- f. Communications
 - i. Letter received by the CAC from John R Upshaw on behalf of the IRCC Roofer Apprenticeship Training Trust and the Independent Roofing Contractors of California, Inc.

II. BUSINESS SESSION

- a. Legal Matters - Deputy Attorney General
- b. Apprenticeship Complaint Findings / Decisions by the Administrator of Apprenticeship
 - i. Alexander Ruiz v. Pipe Trades Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee of Santa Clara and San Benito Counties, 25-0144-APP
- c. Notice of Appeals during the Quarter
- d. CAC Appeals Panel Decisions
- e. Chief's Report – DAS Chief Adele Burnes

- f. CAC Training Funds Update – Ben Palazzolo
- g. California Opportunity Youth Apprenticeship Grant Review:
 - i. Grant Amendment: 25COYAAI-82
 - Title: Elevate & Empower: Advancing Opportunities for Youth through Apprenticeship
 - Organization: Hawkeye Properties and Workforce Innovation, Inc.
 - Dollar Amount: \$600,000
 - Period of Performance: 6/23/2025 - 6/30/2027
 - Amendment: Existing Apprenticeship Implementation grant adding American Medical Response's Paramedic Registered Apprenticeship Program as a placement partner, with wraparound services provided to participants and no grant funds provided to American Medical Response
 - h. Minimum Industry Training Criteria Committee Formation
 - Occupation: Plumber/Pipefitter
 - Occupation: Sheet Metal Worker
 - Occupation: Construction Craft Laborer
 - Nomination Form: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/WJLhXFQ6Ji>
 - i. Old Business
 - j. New Business

III. FORUM

- a. *“California Community Colleges- Baccalaureate Degree Program (BDP) and Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)”*

Presentation by Erin Larson, Associate Vice Chancellor of Strategic and Workforce Initiatives, California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and Dr. Crystal Nasio, Director of Workforce CPL and Operations, California Community Colleges CPL Initiative

IV. EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES REPORT

- a. California Community Colleges - Gary Adams, California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office
- b. California Department of Education – Jack Buckhorn

V. CAC STANDING COMMITTEES REPORT

- a. CAC/CCA Liaison Committee – Report from August 12, 2026– CCA Chairperson Sheri Learmonth
- b. Public Relations & Publicity Committee – Report from August 12, 2026– Chairperson Shelly Doran
- c. Related Supplemental Instruction Committee – Report from August 12, 2026– Chairperson Jack Buckhorn
- d. Legislation Committee – Report from August 12, 2026– Chairperson Yvonne De La Peña
- e. Equal Opportunity in Apprenticeship Committee – Report August 12, 2026– Chairperson Sheri Learmonth
- f. Forums Committee for August 12, 2026– Chairperson Alex Beltran
- g. Standards, Rules, Regulations & Operating Procedures Committee – Report from August 12, 2026– Chairperson Richard Harris

VI. REPORT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND COOPERATING AGENCIES

- a. Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE) Public Works
- b. Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE) Electrical Certification Unit – Melinda Davis, DLSE Assistant Chief of Licensing & Registration
- c. U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Office of Apprenticeship (USDOL/ETA/OA) – Aaron Wall, Deputy Regional Director for Region 6 for the Office of Apprenticeship, Acting California State Director
- d. Tradeswomen Inc.- Juanita Douglas, Executive Director
- e. Women in Non-Traditional Employment Roles (W.I.N.T.E.R) -Carlos Torres, Director
- f. California Association for the Advancement of Apprenticeship Training (CAAAT) -Kris Georgeson- CAAAT President

- g. California Apprenticeship Coordinators Association (CACA)
- h. K-12 Local Education Agency Representative
- i. Community College Apprenticeship Provider Representative

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Note: The agenda and adjournment times may be adjusted depending upon the time needed for discussion of agenda items.