Agenda

AEL Bi-Weekly Conference Call

Texas Workforce Commission

April 21st, 2022

**Final**

10:30 AM CST (9:30 AM MST)

[Attendee Link](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3Ameeting_NmM3ZjdiNTAtOTk5NC00MWE5LWE4ZWEtMzdmNzMzOTMzMGY2%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22fe7d3f4f-241b-4af1-84aa-32c57fe9db03%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22b32b847f-13d2-4ffa-a7e2-641fb3d00a3d%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d&btype=a&role=a)

**(Please put your Name/Grantee in the Q&A for roll call)**

# Agenda details:

## Upcoming Events

1. **Distance Learning and Technology Integration (DLTI) Symposium** – **May 12 & 13** at Alamo College’s Northeast Lakeview campus in San Antonio, please register via the following link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-7uZvp4_9TD1P3v6QZ9cXSUekWvxubCOmJP-yJ52OSGKBRQ/viewform> *Call for Proposals* for  [DLTI2022](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftamucehd.qualtrics.com%2Fjfe%2Fform%2FSV_5BVeUfxApLR6vcO&data=04%7C01%7Cmaria.morrow%40twc.texas.gov%7C1547c298e46e4d66e0af08da0d0c839c%7Cfe7d3f4f241b4af184aa32c57fe9db03%7C0%7C0%7C637836644651147609%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=jCzOczIlcmMLVku%2F3RVHPNnl6I%2Fp5hCwANatZy6YbXE%3D&reserved=0) - *last day to submit is* ***today****!*
2. **Career Pathways PD Center Symposium May 23 – 25** at the Hilton Ft. Worth Conference Center. Professional learning strands include: 1) Integrated EL Civics 2) Services to Internationally Trained English Language Leaners and 3) Working with Justice-involved Individuals (Corrections and Re-Entry). (**More details coming soon**.) No cost to register. Symposium will have face to face and virtual options. Hotel registration*:* <https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=FTWFWHF&groupCode=PATH&arrivaldate=2022-05-22&departuredate=2022-05-25&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT> **Registration link to attend the Symposium is here:** [**https://region6esc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_3ygUUcv4eCVmcui**](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fregion6esc.qualtrics.com%2Fjfe%2Fform%2FSV_3ygUUcv4eCVmcui&data=04%7C01%7Cann.savino%40twc.texas.gov%7C641fb193cd824882d21208da17ef5906%7Cfe7d3f4f241b4af184aa32c57fe9db03%7C0%7C0%7C637848614024088251%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=pwPKuasqrwx%2BabHfXNQfljx2q9EuCDwYIhXUoadaESc%3D&reserved=0)
3. *Save the Date!* **AEL Business Meeting** Thursday **July 14th** from 9 – 12:00 More info to come!
4. **Literacy Texas Annual Conference** – **Aug. 1 & 2** at the Hilton College Station & Conference Center. You can find registration **April 15th** at <https://www.literacytexas.org/>.
5. ***Save the Date!*** AEL Fall Institute 2022 will be **Sept. 20 – 22** with **pre-conference on the 19th**, at the Sheraton at the Capitol in Austin. Proposals are being accepted **NOW** through April 30th. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AELFallInstitute2022> Registration will open in June.
6. ***Workforce Forum*** will be held on May 23-24, 2022 at the Austin Southpark Hotel, 1440 Governors Row, Austin, Tx. 78744. <https://twc.texas.gov/partners/workforce-forum>

## Business Items

1. State office inquiry on AEL grantees and AEL Providers that are implementing an Ability to Benefit (ATB) career pathway program within their area. (Informal Q/A for responses in chat pod.)
	1. Q: *Are you using AEL funds to pay for the first 6 hours of a career pathway program (credit courses or non-credit courses) that if successfully completed, make an individual eligible for Financial Aid under the ATB provision?*
2. TWC AEL Adult Scholar Award – nominations are open! See email from Joel Mullins on 4/15. Link to view questions for planning purposes: [Nomination Questions](https://www.twc.texas.gov/files/agency/twc-scholar-of-the-year-planning-2022-twc.docx)
3. Data Entry Deadline – extended to Monday, **May 2nd.**
4. PBF Q3 MSG will be pulled Tuesday, May 3rd. Grant amendments to remove any unearned PBF will be soon to follow.
5. QA/PA End of Year Review – May 19th (2 hours) Email / meeting invite coming soon!
6. Planning Estimates have been approved ( [link](https://www.twc.texas.gov/files/twc/commission_meeting_material_04.18.22_item14_fy2023_allocations_planning_estimates_ael_accessible.pdf)). Provider level info being developed, but we have to wait on census data from UTSA—tentative date late May/early June for amendments.
7. HSE Voucher Update
	1. Current vouchers expire August 31, 2022
	2. TEA to send out email campaign to 12K individuals who are lacking one subtest to earn a TxCHSE

## Professional Development

• April 22, 2022 – Final LEA Training Day!

• April 22, 2022 – 11:30 am – Tech and Tell: Promoting Active Learning with Google Jamboard

• April 25, 2022 – noon CST - Manager Monday: Types of Listening

• May 6, 2022 - Literacy Symposium for Faith-Affiliated Programs Zoom Event - Pandemic Perseverance - https://www.literacytexas.org/calendar/

• May 10, 2022 – noon CST – Teacher Tuesday: Taking Adult Ed Med Videos to Your Classroom!

• May 12 & 13, 2022 – Distance Learning and Technology Integration (DLTI) Symposium - https://tinyurl.com/ye8xr47u

• May 16, 2022 – noon CST – Manager Monday: Rebranding Your IET - Ricardo Rivera, AEL Director at Brownsville ISD

• May 17, 2022 – 1:00 pm CST – Poetry in Motion

• May 23 -25 – Career Pathways Symposium - https://region6esc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_3ygUUcv4eCVmcui

## NOTICES and Reminders

1. **EARN (Enhancing Access for Refugees and New Americans)** (A special project contracted by OCTAE) is holding a national virtual event focused on understanding how the Integrated El Civics and the Civics model (IELCE) fits in with an immigrant integration approach. REGISTER with this link: <https://rtiorg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_b22DFJgGSoOfw6IC2gzPHA.> Join Cheryl Keenan, Director, Division of Adult Education and Literacy, (OCTAE) and Michael Jones, Division Chief, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Department of Homeland Security. To learn more about EARN, see LINCS: <https://lincs.ed.gov/state-resources/federal-initiatives/refugeesandnewamericans>
2. **Quarterly Narrative —**Due April 30th (Saturday)
3. **March Data Sign Off—**due Monday, May 2nd, COB.
4. **Signature Authority or Director changes—**Provide an update to us asap for Y5 Amendments via the link at the bottom titled *RFP 320-18-01 Contract Info Form Update*: <https://twc.texas.gov/students/adult-education-literacy-teachers-providers>

## Upcoming Bi-weekly Call Schedule Dates (Unless noted on the agenda. All calls 10:30 AM CST (9:30 AM MST)

May 5th, 2022

~~May 19~~~~th~~~~, 2022~~ – Cancelled due to QA/PA meeting

June 1st, 2022

June 16th, 2022