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To whom it may concern,

My name is Trent Bellingar and I am the Director of Career and Technical Education at the Delta Schoolcraft Intermediate School District (DSISD). I would like to be considered for a vacant Michigan ACTE board seat and be placed on the ballot.

I have been in education for 17 years, 9 years as a Welding Instructor, 3 years as a CTE Principal, 5 as Director of CTE. As Director of CTE for the DSISD I am also the CEPD 5 Director (3 county region), and Region 2 Director (7 counties and 3 CEPDs).

In my time in education I have had a variety of leadership experiences ranging from Title 9 coordinator, climate and communication team, strategic planning, Michigan Career Education Conference Planning committee, CLNA referent group, contract negotiations, and multiple advisory committees. In 2024 we received an Excellence in Practice Award from OCTE for our work with the Upper Peninsula Construction Council student outreach initiatives. I have learned how to communicate with state and federal legislators and have been successful in receiving their trust, support, and funding.

Being a board member of Michigan Association of Career and Technical Education will help me to continue to grow my skill sets and bring my experiences and ideas to the state level. Being a more active member of MIACTE will also allow me to better collaborate with my peers across the state and ensure that the Upper Peninsula is represented in the statewide organization.

Thanks for your consideration, and I look forward to an expanded leadership role within MIACTE.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Trent Bellingar".

Trent Bellingar
Director of Career and Technical Education
Delta Schoolcraft ISD

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