Present: Lindsey Hethcote, Molly Calhoun, Mike Kotar, Laurence Gammel, Karen Schreder, Philip James, Hayley Stone, Tanja Ramming, Ann Schulte

Quick recaps:
- Nov. 16 Webinar: Building Rural Student Organizations on your Campus
- December 7, Expect More Tehama Summit – nearly 200 participants
- December 9, webinar on rural equity (See resources below)
- Giving Back Home projects from Kendall Leon’s class – first look at a variety of projects where students did research on a topic of interest where they could make a civic contribution in their home community.

Philip James: Student Behavioral health incentive program, County Offices of Ed. Glenn COE got $1M for mental health services.

Tanja Ramming: working with College of Siskiyous, Modoc County College Coop – cohort of students in early childhood ed, with goal of transfer to a 4-year (chico) for elementary teachers. 34 people are interested. Tanja will update us in February. Coop includes Tulelake, Alturas, Surprise Valley. Work-based learning component as well. Participants will participate in some field experiences – in schools, public health, and social work.

Hayley Stone: economic forecast conference January 12. Economic development is an important aspect of better understanding the relevance and purpose of higher education for our region.

Mike Kotar: NorCal ELC put out a newsletter for 400 teachers and administrators if people have things to share

Discussion:
1. Link to Student Ambassador job posting – please share with any interested Chico State students from the north state
2. In-person reception for Roots members in April in the Office of Civic Engagement new space

Resources:
- RSC highlight story on Burney Falls’ student success efforts
- Chico State’s GREAT Teacher Pipeline grant applications open
- Rural College Access Resources
- NNSTOY teach for equity Prof Dev: they are asking 18 teachers to beta test the PD (Dec. 19 deadline)
- Rural Debate Initiative (website): Ann is an Outreach Ambassador
- Forest Therapy in Paradise, Washington Post article

Resources shared in the Dec. 9 webinar on rural equity
- Welcoming America an organization to increase inclusion of refugee and immigrant communities in rural places. September 8-17 2023 will be a national Welcoming Week opportunity.
- Asset-based community development in Nebraska community
- Community Heart and Soul, a rural community approach to focus on community building
- Welcoming All to the Community, Aspen Group
- Community, Ethnicity, and Class in a Changing Rural California Town, Sergio Chavez, Rural Sociology 70(3), 2005, pp. 314–335

Meetings will be on Zoom, Wednesdays 12-1, on the following dates:
Spring dates: February 8, March 8, April 12, May 1?