

STATE BOARD FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Minutes of Meeting

December 21, 2020

Members of the State Board for Career and Technical Education met at 10:00 a.m., CST, via Microsoft Teams. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jeff Fastnacht, Chair.

The following members were present:

Ms. Kirsten Baesler, Member
Ms. Maria Effertz-Hanson, Member
Mr. Jeff Fastnacht, Member
Dr. Mark Hagerott, Member
Dr. Steve Holen, Member
Mr. Burdell Johnson, Member
Mr. Bryan Klipfel, Member
Ms. Sonia Meehl, Member

Wayde Sick, Mark Wagner, Gwen Ferderer, Dr. Matt Lonn, and Brenda Schuler were also present.

CONSIDERATION OF NOVEMBER 16, 2020 MINUTES – A motion was made by Ms. Meehl and seconded by Mr. Klipfel to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 meeting. The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Johnson – aye
Ms. Effertz-Hanson – aye
Dr. Holen – aye
Ms. Baesler - aye
Dr. Hagerott –absent and not voting
Mr. Klipfel – aye
Ms. Meehl - aye
Mr. Fastnacht – aye

The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – CTE and CDE – Ms. Ferderer reviewed the CTE Administrative Budget and the Appropriation Status Report for month ended November 2020, reporting CTE is within budget and there are no concerns.

Dr. Lonn reviewed the CDE Administrative Budget reporting that CDE is within budget. It was noted that CDE is in the process of moving to a new location and there will be costs associated with the move.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Holen and seconded by Ms. Effertz-Hanson to approve the CTE and CDE financial reports as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

STATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Mr. Sick reported on meetings and activities he has been involved in which included: CTSO Covid Guidance that aligns with the K-12 Smart Restart, Executive Orders, and ND High School Activities Association guidelines; CTSO membership drive letter; Emergency Commission and Legislative Budget section meetings regarding CARES Act funding; reviewing and approving Innovative Grant applications; Work-Based Learning guidance; NDSU Teacher Induction Program (TIP); Bismarck Career Academy tour with Watford City CTE Center representatives; and, attended a variety of other meetings.

Mr. Sick reviewed the CTE Teacher Pipeline information and explained the multiple pathways to become a CTE teacher including Praxis Testing, Transition to Teaching Program, Community Expert Permits, and T&I requirements.

Discussion was held on the number of individuals in the pipeline and some of the challenges in recruitment, such as salary.

CTE and Academic Scholarship information was also reviewed. Mr. Sick stated the data shows the importance of Career Development Counselors and their impact on scholarship recipients.

Mr. Sick reviewed the CTE budget request and recommendation comparison summary reporting the Senate Appropriations Hearing will be held on January 7. Mr. Sick stated he will be working closely with multiple entities on CTE priorities.

Discussion was held on the process for testifying during the 2021 Session. Mr. Sick responded that Legislative Council outlined the process and the Senate chairman prefers only the agency director and any other agency personnel making presentations attend the hearing in person. Due to limited room capacity because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the chairman asks that other agency personnel not attend the hearing in person. Mr. Sick will get clarification as to whether Board members should or can attend in person.

Following further discussion, Mr. Sick was thanked for his report.

CDE REPORT – Dr. Lonn reviewed current dashboard information and key objectives for the next biennium, reporting that an important distinction in CDE’s budget is that all dollars go back to student learning experiences.

Discussion was held on virtual schooling in a regular K-12 setting versus what CDE provides. It was agreed that it appears there is competing interest for students.

Discussion continued on the unique challenges of virtual school environments, the current funding formula, and legislative bills that may be coming through the session regarding CDE, virtual learning and the funding formula. It was agreed that CTE/CDE needs to be purposeful in their responses of the unique challenges with competing tools to serve students.

The Board thanked Dr. Lonn for his report.

CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL REPORT (CAR) – Mr. Sick reported the Consolidated Annual Report (CAR) must be submitted by December 31, stating there is less data required this year due to the transition from Perkins IV to Perkins V.

Mr. Wagner provided an overview of the 2020 Consolidated Annual Report, reporting on the process, State Leadership Activities, Requirements, Implications, Work-Based Learning Progress, and Program Performance. Mr. Wagner thanked Ms. Marschner, Ms. Ferderer and Mr. Sick for their assistance in completing the CAR.

Mr. Wagner recommended approval of the 2020 Consolidated Annual Report and requested permission to make the necessary adjustments to the report once the data has been finalized and verified.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Effertz-Hanson and seconded by Dr. Holen to approve the Consolidated Annual Report as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE MEETINGS – The January meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 via Microsoft Teams.

The February meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

The March meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 15, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Fastnacht
SBCTE Chairperson