

STATE BOARD FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Minutes of Meeting

February 18, 2020

Members of the State Board for Career and Technical Education met at 10:02 a.m. CST, in the Peace Garden Room, State Capitol, Bismarck. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Brian Duchscherer, Chair. The following members were present:

Ms. Kirsten Baesler, Member
Ms. Maria Effertz-Hanson, Member
Mr. Jeff Fastnacht, Member
Dr. Mark Hagerott, Member
Dr. Steven Holen, Member
Mr. Josh Johnson, Member
Ms. Sonia Meehl, Member

Wayde Sick, Mark Wagner, Gwen Ferderer, Brenda Schuler, Dr. Matt Lonn, Tonya Greywind, Tracy Becker, Kelly Pierce, Dan Rood, Jr., Dr. Doug Darling, Jim Upgren, Dan Driessen, Lyle Krueger and Lisa Johnson were also present. Dr. Duchscherer welcomed the board and audience members.

CONSIDERATION OF JANUARY 21, 2020 MINUTES – A motion was made by Ms. Meehl and seconded by Dr. Hagerott to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2020 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT – CTE and CDE – Ms. Ferderer reviewed the Appropriation Status Report and CTE Administrative Budget for month ended January 2020, reporting that the budget is on target.

Dr. Lonn reviewed the CDE Administrative Budget, reporting that the revenue received is as anticipated and will be reviewed in more detail with the dashboard information during the CDE Report agenda item.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Hagerott and seconded by Mr. Johnson 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: CTE Month proclamation and promotions; CLNA workshops; PK-12 Vision Committee meeting; NDCEL presentation; K-12 Coordination Council meeting; and, WDC Career Exploration Sub-committee meeting.

Upcoming meetings and activities Mr. Sick will be involved in include: CLNA webinars; Pathways SEL Team meeting; WDC quarterly meeting; K-12 Coordinating Council leadership training; and, ESSA meeting.

The CTE FACTS document which provides data, program area and CTSO information was reviewed. Following a brief discussion, Mr. Sick asked for any feedback and reported that the document will be published on CTE's website and provided to CTE Administrators and other stakeholders.

CTE retirements were announced: Ms. Debra Huber is retiring March 31, 2020 and Ms. Marilyn Orgaard is retiring in mid-June, 2020. The open and vacating CTE positions will be reviewed for efficiencies, repurposing and possible replacements.

Following discussion, the Board thanked Mr. Sick for his report and agreed that his presentation at NDCEL was well received.

SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER – EDGELEY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP – Mr. Sick reviewed the Southeast Region Career and Technology Center's request to approve the Edgeley Public School District full membership request into the area center and recommended approval of their request.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Meehl and seconded by Mr. Fastnacht to approve the Southeast Region Career and Technology Center's request for Edgeley Public School District to become a full member of the center. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Meehl – aye
Mr. Johnson – aye
Mr. Fastnacht – aye
Ms. Effertz-Hanson – aye
Dr. Holen – aye
Ms. Baesler - aye
Dr. Hagerott - aye
Dr. Duchscherer – aye

The motion passed unanimously.

CDE REPORT – Dr. Lonn reviewed CDE's dashboard report, stating that enrollments have surpassed predictions.

Discussion was held on CDE instructors, subject areas, completion rates, credentialed instructors, possible train the trainer programs for filling gaps of credentialed instructors for school districts and the importance of providing information to students, teachers and other stakeholders on availability of programs, especially in emerging technologies and rapid growth areas.

Following further discussion, Dr. Hagerott requested a follow-up discussion with Dr. Lonn on CDE's cybersecurity courses and how they relate to the Governor's cybersecurity initiative. Ms. Baesler also requested further discussion with Dr. Lonn on filling the gaps of credentialed instructors.

Discussion was then held on CDE's subject area information provided on the dashboard and Dr. Duchscherer requested that Dr. Lonn provide a separate document at the March meeting of all CDE subject areas, not just the top 10 areas, data trends and the number of CTE courses that CDE offers.

Dr. Lonn reviewed the CDE 2021-2023 Biennial Funding Proposal, reporting on the self-sustaining definition, the three proposed options and requested Board endorsement of one of the options.

Discussion was held on the Legislature directive, the self-sustaining definition, other state supported distance delivered platforms, virtual area centers, legacy funding, and the importance of collaboration rather than competition for distance delivered courses.

Following further discussion, it was agreed that the K-12 Coordination Council be provided the proposal for their review and input. It was also agreed that the focus must be on what is best for students, the quality of education and that the vision should be for students to have access to all programs across the state.

Discussion continued on the importance of collaboration and sending one unified message from CTE. It was agreed that the voice of CDE, which is under the umbrella of CTE, must be Mr. Sick.

Following further discussion, Dr. Lonn and Mr. Sick will request to present at the K-12 Coordination Council meeting to discuss the proposal and get the Council's feedback before the Board will make a decision. The Board also requested that Dr. Lonn provide them with projected enrollments, projected costs, historical data of what the fees have been, what they currently are, what the fees would need to be, and what could be the result if fees increased (such as, would participation drop if fees increased). Dr. Lonn responded that he will provide the requested information.

Ms. Tonya Greywind then provided information on dual credit opportunities, reviewed the CDE/Mayville State University dual credit enrollment process, and reviewed dual credit discussion information.

Discussion was held on dual credit and it was agreed that the vision needs to be one system that would include one registration system and a master list of all available courses to assist students across the state with on-line dual credit opportunities.

Dr. Doug Darling distributed a partial list of North Dakota University System dual credit offerings that are available to all students and stated that he shares the same vision as the Board of having one system for dual credit offerings and felt that the University System already has a system in place.

Dr. Darling then explained the community colleges dual credit process and reported that the colleges continually work together to improve the process and partner with schools.

The Board thanked Dr. Darling and Ms. Greywind for their information.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT UPDATE – postponed until the March meeting.

PRESENTATION ON COGNITO FORMS – postponed.

PERKINS V UPDATE – Mr. Sick provided an overview of the Perkins V State Plan, reporting that the final review, any recommended changes and request for approval will be at the March meeting. The State Plan must be submitted by April 15.

Discussion was held on the work-based learning requirements. Mr. Sick reviewed a public comment that was received as to the amount of data points needed and whether too much is being asked of instructors.

Following discussion on the capability of Power School, the required data points and rubric scale, it was agreed that the data points are needed to judge competencies and it serves as a guide to provide specific feedback to students.

The Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment (CLNA), which is a federal requirement, was reviewed. Mr. Sick reported that the application is currently being updated and will be reviewed at the March meeting.

Following further discussion, Mr. Sick reported that the State Plan with public comments and any additional changes will be provided for the Board's review prior to the March meeting.

Innovation Grant Proposals – postponed until the March meeting.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION CONFERENCES –

Mr. Sick invited board members to attend the CTSO Conferences that will be held over the next few months.

FUTURE MEETINGS – The March meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16 in Bismarck, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The April meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Brian Duchscherer
SBCTE Chairperson