

**Minutes for State Board for Career and Technical Education  
February 26, 2024**

**Call to Order:**

The regular meeting of the State Board for Career and Technical Education was held on Monday, February 26, 2024, in the CTE Conference Room and via Microsoft Teams. It was called to order by Chair Sonia Meehl at 10:00 am CT.

**Voting Members Present:**

Superintendent Kirsten Baesler  
Board Member Pat Bertagnolli  
Board Member Lyndsi Engstrom  
Chancellor Mark Hagerott  
Board Member Burdell Johnson  
Board Member Josh Johnson  
Vice-Chair Mike McHugh  
Board Member Eric Nelson

Also present: Wayde Sick, Mark Wagner, Gwen Ferderer, Marcia McMahon, Laurie Elliott, Randall Brockman, Lyle Krueger, Ronda Schauer, Pam Stroklund, Daniel Spellerberg, Brad Hoffarth, Jessica DeVaal, Kelly Pierce, and Lorie Ruff.

Meeting chat information for this meeting does not exist.

Chair Sonia Meehl referenced the 2024 Board Agenda Calendar that was included in the material packet. This is a color-coded calendar showing meeting dates, when packets will be sent out, when responses are due, etc. We will try to follow this closely in the coming months to facilitate a more efficient and effective board meeting.

Laurie Elliott and Marcia McMahon from Elliott and McMahon LLC lead members through Be Legendary Training - Board Guardrails for the State Director. Members brainstormed and developed six guardrails of which the top three will be used with this year's goals.

**Director's Report – Board Outcome Goals and Director Outcome Goals Progress Measures:**

Wayde Sick reported that the version in the packet is the same as the January meeting primarily due to waiting for additional data to complete Goal 3.

**Consent Agenda:**

Eric Nelson moved to approve and accept the items listed in the consent agenda and it was seconded by Lyndsi Engstrom. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Mark Wagner introduced the latest CTE employee, Brad Hoffarth, our new Technology & Engineering and IT Supervisor.

**Items for Discussion and Possible Action:**

**Funding Policy Subcommittee Recommendation:** Wayde Sick reminded members that this report of the policy is to update the Board what the Subcommittee and agency have been doing and get input and not to vote on it today. Wayde reviewed the action plan frameworks and the phases in each. Recommendations from the Subcommittee are to approve the policy this Spring to become effective July 1, 2025. Wayde then presented the draft funding policy explaining the flat base amount and the incentive indicators which were based on the principles and goals that have been set. The New Funding Model Proposal that was included in the material packet reflects what schools and centers would have received in aggregate with the old model versus the new model using our 2022-23 budget. Wayde Sick reminded members that there may be more dollars available once we have our new biennium budget. Discussion was held on the quality indicator incentives and the impact the new model will have on schools.

The next actions include Wayde Sick providing this information to CTE Directors at their March meeting, present at NDCEL in March and providing a virtual meeting. The agency will then request written public feedback for 14 days and then bring these comments to the Subcommittee for review. Anticipated timeline to bring back before this Board will be at the April meeting.

**Board Comments:**

Pat Bertagnoli reported that he appreciates the opportunity to interact with students during our CTE student organization events.

Josh Johnson informed members that he had an opportunity to take a trip to Lindsay Unified School District in California and see what they are doing with CTE education. This visit reinforces the importance of CTE and the outcomes and impact of students from junior high to high school and beyond.

Mike McHugh stated that he had the opportunity to be a substitute in a CTE program and highly encourages anyone who has the opportunity, regardless of your role, to attend those classrooms for a day.

Sonia Meehl will share an article she saw that featured Golden Path Solutions and contained a nice quote from Wayde.

There being no other business brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:16 pm.