

STATE BOARD FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Minutes of Meeting

March 25, 2020

Members of the State Board for Career and Technical Education met at 1:00 p.m., CST, via Zoom, in the CTE State Director's Office, 15th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Brian Duchscherer, Chair. The following members were present:

Ms. Kirsten Baesler, Member
Mr. Jeff Fastnacht, Member
Dr. Mark Hagerott, Member
Dr. Steven Holen, Member
Ms. Sonia Meehl, Member

Wayde Sick, Mark Wagner, Gwen Ferderer, Brenda Schuler, Debra Huber, Sandra DePountis, Dr. Matt Lonn, Dr. Doug Darling, Lyle Krueger, Eric Ripley, Levi Andrist, Greg Tehven, and Blaine Booher were also present. Dr. Duchscherer welcomed the board and audience members.

PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOLS: APPLICATION FOR INITIAL PROVISIONAL AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE – Emerging Digital Academy – Mr. Sick provided a brief overview of Emerging Digital Academy's initial, provisional request and introduced Ms. Sandra DePountis, Assistant Attorney General.

Ms. DePountis reminded the Board of her disclosure of conflict email and asked if there could be possible conflicts of interest. Based on the Board's response, Ms. DePountis stated there is no conflict of interest with the board members present.

Ms. Huber then reviewed the Emerging Digital Academy's request for initial, provisional authorization to operate and stated the school meets the minimum standards and criteria set by the Board. In addition, the owners have committed to undergo accreditation procedures by the

Accrediting Council of Continuing Education and Training which is recognized by the US Secretary of Education.

Ms. Huber recommended approval of Emerging Digital Academy's initial, provisional authorization to operate for the period of March 25, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The Academy would then be eligible to follow in line with the regular renewal process.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Hagerott and seconded by Ms. Meehl to approve Ms. Huber's recommendation. The roll call vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed unanimously.

PERKINS V UPDATE – Perkins V State Plan Review and Approval – Mr. Sick reported that the State Plan was reviewed at the February meeting and the Board has been kept informed throughout the process and drafting of the Plan, which must be submitted by April 15, 2020.

Mr. Sick requested that the Board consider this the second and final reading of the State Plan and requested approval in order for the submission process to begin.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Fastnacht and seconded by Dr. Hagerott to approve the State Plan as presented by Mr. Sick. The roll call vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed unanimously.

The Board thanked Mr. Sick and the committee for their work on the State Plan.

FUTURE MEETINGS – The April meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020, and will be held virtually.

The May meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18, 2020.

The June meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Brian Duchscherer
SBCTE Chairperson