

**CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**Board of Governors Meeting Minutes**  
**February 18, 2021**

Public notice of the time and place of the Central Community College Board of Governors' meeting was given in advance to CCC board members, college administrators and the five daily newspapers within the 25-county area. The agenda was available to the public in the college president's office and on the CCC website, [www.cccneb.edu](http://www.cccneb.edu). The college adheres to the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is located in the college president's office.

The meeting was held in the Hall Student Union, Cottonwood Room, at Central Community College, 550 S. Technical Blvd., Hastings, Nebraska.

All supplemental documents from this meeting are available at:  
<https://meeting.sparqdata.com/Public/Organization/CCC>.

Chair Sandra Borden called the Feb. 18, 2021, meeting to order at 1 p.m. with 10 board members present. Borden asked for the roll call. Members attending via teleconference from their home or office were Linda Heiden, Austin Miller and John Novotny.

**ROLL CALL**

Aerni – absent	Keller – present
Borden – present	Miller – present
Broekemier – present	Novotny – present
Cowan – present	Pirnie – present
Davis – present	Skiles – present
Heiden – present	

**POLICY ITEMS**

Elizabeth Lay, legal counsel, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board member Michelle Broekemier and reelected board members Sandra Borden, Sam Cowan and Tom Pirnie.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Borden requested that members of the audience register with Scott Miller if they wanted to address the board during the Public Participation segment.

**REVIEWING CLAIMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Roger Davis will review the claims prior to the March 18, 2021, board meeting in Grand Island.

**REQUEST FOR DISCUSSION OF CONSENT ITEMS**

Borden asked board members for items in the consent agenda they would like to move to discussion of consent/action items.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Consent items included:

- Agenda for Feb. 18, 2021, board meeting.
- Minutes of the Jan. 21, 2021, board meeting.

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- Claims for the period from Jan. 1 through Jan. 31, 2021, totaling \$7,879,694.26.
- Financial reports as of Jan. 31, 2021.
- Purchases: None.
- Personnel: None.
- Kim Hurt's Sabbatical Report.

Sam Cowan reviewed the claims prior to the meeting and stated everything was in order.

MOVED BY COWAN, SECONDED BY SKILES to accept the claims, with the exception of payments to themselves, and to approve the other consent items.

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – aye
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**PARTNERSHIP/OWNERSHIP**

**Foundation Report**

Dean Moors shared the following information:

- The consolidated assets of the CCC Foundation and the Warren and Velda Wilson Foundation stood at \$44 million as of January 31, 2021.
- The Kathleen E. Tebbe Scholarship has been established as a new college-wide fund. It will provide scholarships for students in the academic transfer, early childhood education and the human services programs who have completed at least one semester at CCC with a 2.5 or greater GPA. The scholarship may be used for tuition and books.
- The Pacesetter employee appeal drew a participation rate of 66% The 2020 yearend appeal brought in a total of \$276,150 from 122 employee donors.
- The foundation now has nearly 25,000 graduates in its database. During 2020-21, 166 graduates donated \$36,461 to the foundation.

**Hastings Campus Report**

Dr. Jerry Wallace shared the Hastings Campus annual report created by media arts students and explained the process they used to complete it. He then introduced the following people:

- Dr. Nate Allen, dean of skilled and technical sciences, who talked about the newest college pathway in automotive technology for Holdrege High School. It faced the same issue as the on-campus program of needing to teach in a different manner because of

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COVID. The way this issue was addressed was described by automotive technology instructors Kyle Finecy, Nick Kelley and John Oberheide. They assigned online exercises, split classes in half so students could work in the lab for an extended period, alternated on a weekly basis between online theory assignments and work in the lab, and used WebEx and VidGrid to record processes for students to watch.

- Mark Funkey, associate dean of skilled and technical sciences, discussed the construction technology program's long association with Habitat for Humanity. Last year, the program built two houses for the organization, one on campus and the other offsite. This year, construction students are working on an offsite townhouse project. Also addressing the board were construction technology instructor Keith Dubas, who talked about how the program adapted to meet the challenges posed by COVID; students Dillon Kohl of Central City and Logan Nordby of Hastings who talked about some of the difficulties of learning construction during a pandemic and expressed their appreciation for the college doing everything it could to stay open; and Laurel Bain, who made the transition from being a CCC student to a CCC instructor during 2020. She said working as a CCC instructor on the townhouse project has been an incredible learning experience for both her and her students.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Scott Miller stated no one had signed in for Public Participation.

**DISCUSSION OF CONSENT/ACTION ITEMS**

**2020-25 CCC Mission, Vision and Values**

Dr. Matt Gotschall presented the proposed Central Community College mission, vision and values for 2020-25. A recent survey showed employee support for these different categories ranging from 96% to 100%.

MOVED BY SKILES, SECONDED BY DAVIS to approve CCC's mission, vision, values, outcomes and strategic initiatives for 2020-25.

Aerni – absent

Borden – aye

Broekemier – aye

Cowan – aye

Davis – aye

Heiden – aye

Keller – aye

Miller – aye

Novotny – aye

Pirnie – aye

Skiles – aye

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**Grand Island Public Schools Proposal**

Dr. Marcie Kemnitz presented a motion to engage in a cooperative agreement between CHI Health-St. Francis, Grand Island Public Schools and Central Community College for expansion of the Academy in Medical Sciences. The expansion will provide unique shared space at the

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hospital for high school and dual credit courses for GIPS students. Instruction and curriculum for these dual credit classes are provided by CCC. The initiative is budgeted at over \$7.2 million dollars, which will come from both public and private sources.

MOVED BY PIRNIE, SECONDED BY COWAN to authorize an agreement to contribute up to \$250,000 in specific equipment and furnishings to be used for CCC instruction and mutually agreed upon personnel costs to implement the Grand Island Public School's Academy of Medical Sciences in cooperation with CHI Health St. Francis Hospital.

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – aye
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**Grand Island Entrepreneurship Center**

Dr. Kemnitz presented information on a proposed Entrepreneurship Center in Grand Island, which will be located in a currently unfinished space in downtown Grand Island. Before CCC can take occupancy, the space will be remodeled similar to the plans presented to the board during the work session.

MOVED BY SKILES, SECONDED BY PIRNIE to authorize the College President to negotiate an agreement to lease space for the Entrepreneurship Center in Grand Island.

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – aye
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**Capital Improvement Budget**

Joel King gave an overview of the projects included in the capital improvement budget. The College President asked for tentative approval of the 2021-22 capital improvement budget so these projects can be started. Official approval of the budget is set for September.

MOVED BY SKILES, SECONDED BY COWAN to accept the capital improvement budget.

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
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Borden – aye

Broekemier – aye

Cowan – aye

Davis – aye

Heiden – aye

Miller – aye

Novotny – aye

Pirnie – aye

Skiles – aye

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**Tuition, Fees, Board and Room Rates for 2021-22**

Joel King reported that there will be no increase in the tuition, fees or rooms for 2021-22. Board will be raised by 3.1% as per the CCC’s contract with Chartwells. Tuition and fees for Early College students will remain the same as last year.

MOVED BY KELLER, SECONDED BY SKILES to accept the tuition, fees, room and board rates for 2021-22.

Aerni – absent

Borden – aye

Broekemier – aye

Cowan – aye

Davis – aye

Heiden – aye

Keller – aye

Miller – aye

Novotny – aye

Pirnie – aye

Skiles – aye

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

**REPORTS**

**Student Success Report**

Dr. Candace Walton gave a report on the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data (IPEDs). She provided information on CCC’s comparison group; enrollment measures; number of academic awards; tuition and required fees; and retention, graduation and transfer-out rates for first-time, full-time award-seeking students.

**Dr. Gotschall’s Report**

- Congratulations to the Foundation and CCC employees on the AMDT/welding donor tours on February 17 and the ribbon cutting on February 18.
- COVID-related cases continue to be on the decline for both employees and students since the beginning of the semester and are greatly reduced since a high last November 2020.
- Dr. Gotschall participated in the NCCA quarterly board meeting where they took positions on the Nebraska legislative bills that have been introduced. He provided written support for the Appropriations Committee regarding community college funding and attended the hearing on February 16, emailed and called area senators and Sen. Flood from the Revenue Committee regarding clarifications on CCC’s tax levy history and

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valuations, and attended the Nebraska Economic Development legislative priorities meeting.

- He participated in the ACCT legislative conference sessions, which included multiple updates on the national legislative priorities of the new Biden Administration and Congress.
- Last month, Central Community College received \$4,636,930 as part of the latest federal stimulus bill from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, (CRRSAA) 2020 for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding. At least \$945,227 of that amount must be spent on student grants; the remaining amount may be used for other COVID-related expenses or lost revenue due to COVID-19. The financial aid office disbursed over \$745,000 in direct aid to students this week (all low-income, Pell-eligible current students in good standing). Applications from a second or third tier of students will be reviewed with funds to go out once we get final guidelines from USDOE. Proposed changes by the Biden Administration to rules provided by the Trump Administration are causing some delays on confirmations. CCC administrators can submit proposals until March 1 regarding uses for the stimulus funds, which so far include additional remote instructional and proctoring software; employee compensation for adjuncts, extra days worked and faculty overload; lost revenue for adult education, community education and training and development; and informational technology switches, firewalls, security, IP classroom upgrades and employee training.
- Dr. Gotschall participated in the Greater Nebraska Workforce Investment Board meetings on January 27-28 and continues to serve as the representative for educational providers seeking to assist dislocated workers, youth programming and services offered through the Nebraska Dept of Labor's Workforce Development Centers.
- The Nebraska Math Readiness initiative continues to grow with additional area schools and partners. The initiative addresses the math learning gaps of predominately high school seniors to make them less dependent on remedial math needs once they've graduated.
- The Postsecondary International Network executive committee continues to plan for virtual webinars that will be held in conjunction with the World Federation Conference members. Major topics will include addressing leadership and best practices regarding COVID-19 responses, international education, student support and technology infrastructure.
- Dr. Gotschall is continuing his involvement in Heartland United Way as president-elect. The organization supports Hall, Hamilton, Howard and Merrick counties and provides campaign updates, community investment, executive and finance committee meetings in addition to assisting with a monthly food distribution.

The following reports were also submitted for board review:

- Enrollment Report
- Grants Report
- Purchasing Report

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Borden requested an executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues.

MOVED BY DAVIS, SECONDED BY COWAN that the Board of Governors recess the regular meeting in order to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues. (Time: 2:35 p.m.)

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – aye
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

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John Novotny was unable to attend the executive session.

MOVED BY SKILES, SECONDED BY PIRNIE to return to the regular session of the Board of Governors meeting. (Time: 3:20 p.m.)

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – absent
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

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**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY PIRNIE, SECONDED BY DAVIS to adjourn.

Aerni – absent	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Miller – aye
Broekemier – aye	Novotny – absent
Cowan – aye	Pirnie – aye
Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

Borden declared the meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.