

CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Board of Governors' Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2023

Public notice of the time and place of the Central Community College Board of Governors' meeting was given in advance to the 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. The college adheres to the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is available in the college president's office.

The meeting was held in the Administration Office Board Room at Central Community College, 3134 W. Highway 34, Grand Island, Nebraska.

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

Chair Rita Skiles called the April 13, 2023, meeting to order at 1 p.m., with eight board members present.

ROLL CALL

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

REVIEWING CLAIMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Roger Davis will review the claims prior to the May 18, 2023, board meeting in Ord.

REQUEST FOR DISCUSSION OF CONSENT ITEMS

Skiles 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:

1. Agenda for April 13, 2023.
2. Minutes of the March 16, 2023, Board of Governors meeting.
3. Claims for the period from March 1 through March 31, 2023.
4. Financial report as of March 31, 2023.
5. Purchases: None
6. Personnel:

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Mikalah Brown: The College President recommends that Mikalah Brown be offered the position of biology faculty in Hastings effective Aug. 1, 2023.

7. Policies and Procedures Updates: None

MOVED BY COWAN; SECONDED BY DAVIS to approve the claims, with the exception of payments to themselves, and also to approve the other consent items.

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

PARTNERSHIP/OWNERSHIP

Career and Technical Sciences Report

Dr. Nate Allen, dean of career and technical sciences (CTS), gave an overview of the division, which includes 20 programs that offer certificates, diplomas and associate of applied science degrees. The programs' blend of classroom and hands-on learning provides a good pathway for high school students and other individuals training for a new occupation as well as those already employed but need to learn new skills.

Brian Hoffman, associate dean of instruction, and Dan Gompert, information technology and systems instructor, discussed the cybersecurity grant the college received from the American Association of Community Colleges. The AACC is awarding this grant to 42 community colleges over three years to increase awareness of the cybersecurity field. The grant gives recipients an opportunity to collaborate, network and share information with each other. The \$20,000 seed money CCC received will be used to buy equipment and provide scholarships to new students as well as IT professionals seeking to upgrade their skills.

Alison Feeney, associate dean of instruction, introduced electrical technology instructors Jeff Cox, Jim Cox and Brian Hansen and students Chase Johnson, Jorge Salines Balderas and Caleb Weisheit to share their thoughts about working on the townhouse project in Hasting. Both the instructors and students believe it's a positive experience to work on a real project. The students also enjoy working with their fellow students from the construction, heating and air conditioning and heavy equipment programs.

DISCUSSION OF CONSENT/ACTION ITEMS

Preventive Maintenance Contract

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The College President recommends acceptance of the low acceptable bid from Albireo Energy for \$132,543.00 to fulfill the automated building management system and preventive maintenance contract.

MOVED BY DAVIS, SECONDED BY PIRNIE to accept the bid from Albireo Energy for \$132,543.00 to fulfill the automated building management system and preventive maintenance contract.

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

Student Success Report

Dr. Candace Walton, vice president of innovation and instruction, shared the following highlights from the 2022-23 annual Graduate Outcomes Report:

- 90% of graduates are employed full-time in CCC’s service area with the remaining 10% working in Nebraska but outside of the service area.
- 2,747 awards (degrees, diplomas and certificates) were granted to 1,640 unduplicated recipients.
- Programs in which graduates will earn the highest hourly wages are mechatronics; nursing education (ADN); heavy equipment operator; paramedicine; dental hygiene; heating, air conditioning and refrigeration; truck driving; advanced manufacturing design technology; and diesel technology.
- CCC graduates transfer the most to the University of Nebraska in Kearney, Lincoln and Omaha; Wayne State College; Bellevue University; and Hastings College.
- Graduate satisfaction with their entire educational experience at CCC was 96%. Employers’ satisfaction with preparation of CCC graduates was also 96%.
- 98% of graduates have completed their educational goal or are continuing their education.

Dr. Gotschall’s Report

Dr. Gotschall reported the following:

- Several meetings were held this past month regarding pending legislation at the state level. We remain supportive of the amendment regarding tax levy changes and additional state funding for community colleges.

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- Participated in an Assurance Review for a college as part of my peer review responsibilities for the Higher Learning Commission.
- Conducted open forums in Grand Island and Columbus with CCC employees.
- Continued involvement on the Heartland United Way executive and finance committees. CCC had an Adult Education person speak at the annual meeting/luncheon where CCC hosted a table for employees and students.
- Participated in a CCC Foundation “branding” workshop seeking input and providing ideas for how the foundation is perceived in the communities we serve.
- Attended the American Association of Community Colleges annual meeting in Denver and attended several sessions on changes in federal financial aid, cybersecurity crisis response planning, Small and Rural Commission meetings, grants, federal legislative updates, strategies in remedial education, student success coaching models, and using U.S. census data. Criminal justice instructor Michael David was recognized as an AACC Dale Parnell Faculty Excellence recipient.
- Participated in training on using our Ellucian software for better data governance for security and decision making.
- Met with Aksarben Foundation about the upcoming NE Intern programming they will be leading.
- Met with NSWERS director regarding changes to the data sharing agreement and next steps as participation becomes more tied to private funding source acceptance.
- Communicated new Early College rates to all area superintendents, principals and counselors – several positive returns about our work with area students and continued discounted tuition rates provided by the state and local funding sources.
- Participated in an industry visioning meeting regarding the Hastings automotive and auto body facilities and future curriculum expectancies from area automotive leaders. The event was very well attended.
- Met with Phelps County Development Corp director about possible facilities space in Holdrege.
- Attended the NCCA All-Academic Team luncheon in Lincoln where Gov. Pillen spoke and six CCC students were recognized. One of our CCC students also spoke at the luncheon.
- Will be participating in several state SkillsUSA events in Grand Island this week and hosting the Nebraska Manufacturing Advisory Council on campus.
- Will be attending and presenting at the Postsecondary International Network (PIN) and attending the World Federation of College & Polytechnics in Montreal, Canada, later this month.

Updates reported by area vice presidents include:

- Recent campus tours across the area have included Career Discovery Days, Bayard High School, Fullerton High School, Hampton Freshmen, SEM High School, Callaway High School, Cozad High School, Cross County eighth graders, Hastings Middle School and

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JAG Hastings High School in addition to hosting state contests for meetings for FFA, FBLA and FCCLA.

- All CCC financial aid staff attended the Nebraska state financial aid conference to learn about updates expected with the FAFSA form and related changes in processes that will be needed before 2024-25 award year.
- Acceptance letters for new nursing students were sent and applications for LPN to RN cohort were opened this week with the goal of getting areawide numbers back up to 100 students for next year's class.
- Health sciences dean Sarah Kort began serving on a new Nebraska Health Career Pipeline Initiative advisory council. This group was developed and endorsed by the Nebraska Hospital Association, Nebraska Health Care Foundation, Nebraska Medical Association and Medica.
- The national accreditation visit for the paramedicine program occurred April 3-4 with positive preliminary responses.
- Four second-year paramedicine students attended the Nebraska EMS Association conference and competed in an ALS provider simulation event and earned second place. Over 400 EMS providers attended the conference.
- The dental hygiene students will be attending the Nebraska Dental Hygiene Association meeting in Omaha with director Dr. Wanda Cloet presenting a session and second-year students presenting table clinics.
- CCC's Counseling and Prevention Education Services was recognized through the NECPA as an Exemplary Member, earning a Bronze-level designation.
- CCC disabilities services staff presented at an ESU #10 event regarding students who have an IEP/disability making the transition from high school to college. About 50 attendees and family were present.
- CCC ranked sixth in the small colleges category for the 2023-24 Military Friendly survey.
- Academic Success Centers are busy supporting students and assisting with end-of-semester workshops including writing workshops and making plans for summer skill builder bootcamps.
- Worked with UNL regarding eliminating barriers in transfer specifically for teacher education.
- Additional late 8-week sessions were offered and yielded 21 FTE.
- Men's basketball captured Region 9 and North District Championships and competed in the National Division II championship where they lost two close games by a total of 3 points.
- The softball and golf seasons have begun, and eSports continues to have a winning season and national championship possibilities.
- CCC athletic director Mary Young continues to serve as NJCAA Senior Women's Administrator to the Board of Regents and attended the NJCAA convention in North Carolina. She oversees all women's sports committees and is active on the Eligibility Committee, Championship and Sports Governance Committee and Executive Committee.

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- The CCC music and theater departments are presenting the spring musical *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* at CCC-Columbus April 13-16.

The following reports were also submitted for board review:

- Enrollment Report
- Grants Report
- Purchasing Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Skiles requested an executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues at 2:17 p.m.

MOVED BY PIRNIE, SECONDED BY DAVIS that the Board of Governors recess the regular meeting in order to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues.

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

Skiles reconvened the regular session of the Board of Governors meeting at 2:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY DAVIS, SECONDED BY HEIDEN to adjourn.

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

Skiles declared the meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.