

CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Board of Governors' Meeting Minutes
September 21, 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 Sept. 21, 2023, meeting to order at 1:07 p.m., with 11 board members present.

ROLL CALL

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Skiles asked college representatives to introduce guests and staff members.

REVIEWING CLAIMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Tom Pirnie will review the claims prior to the Oct. 19, 2023, board meeting in Columbus.

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 Sept. 21, 2023.
2. Minutes of the Aug. 17, 2023, Board of Governors meeting.
3. Claims for the period from Aug. 1 through Aug. 31, 2023.
4. Financial report as of Aug. 31, 2023.

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5. Purchases:

Water Fill Stations, Hastings: The College President recommends acceptance of the quote from VanHoosen Plumbing in the amount of \$40,900.00 for the drinking fountain fill stations and sink at the Hastings Campus.

6. Personnel: None

7. **City of Grand Island and CCC ARPA Agreement:** This contract was entered into on Sept. 12, 2023, between the City of Grand Island and Central Community College for the allocation of ARPA funds for infrastructure expansion on the Grand Island Campus.

8. **Furnas Building Program Statement:** The Hastings Automotive Careers Training Center Project will consist of a complete replacement of the existing transportation building at the Hastings Campus, which will provide new space for the automotive and auto body technology programs.

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

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

DISCUSSION OF CONSENT/ACTION ITEMS

Board Action on Budget Items

MOVED BY DAVIS, SECONDED BY AERNI to approve the Hazardous Materials and Accessibility Budget of \$419,150.

Aerni – aye	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Novotny – aye
Buss – aye	Pirnie – aye
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MOVED BY COWAN, SECONDED BY AERNI to approve the budget of expenditures and revenues as represented within the State of Nebraska 2023-24 Basic Budget Form.

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

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

MOVED BY NOVOTNY, SECONDED BY HEIDEN to approve the additional 1% increase of restricted funds as shown on the 2023-24 Budget Form LC-CC.

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

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Property Tax Request: Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Board of Central Community College passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount.

The request for the 2023-24 property tax is:

General Fund	\$42,261,587.17
Capital Improvement Fund	\$10,993,960.09
Haz/Access	<u>\$ 419,150.00</u>
Total	\$53,674,697.25

Upon approval of the board, a copy of the resolution will be sent to county clerks in the Central Community College 25-county area.

MOVED BY AERNI, SECONDED BY BUSS to approve the property tax request as listed.

Aerni – aye	Keller – aye
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Borden – aye	Novotny – aye
Buss – aye	Pirnie – aye
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Davis – aye	Skiles – aye
Heiden – aye	

UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

MOVED BY WUICK, SECONDED BY NOVOTNY to submit the budget to the State of Nebraska.

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

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REPORTS

Student Success Report

Barry Horner gave a report on CCC's Veterans and Military Resource Center (VMRC) and began by introducing the staff: Patricia Lee-Smith in Columbus, Jordan Janssen in Hastings and Shawn Patsios in Kearney.

The VMRC staff works to engage with CCC students who are veterans and current service members and to support them in their educational goals by resolving issues and removing barriers. They connect with these students at registration days, new student orientations, Student Veterans Association meetings and student organization events and reach out to students who haven't registered for classes in the last two years. They also help students connect to Veterans Administration education benefits, tuition assistance benefits and resources that can help them in times of need.

The VMRC has gained permanent membership on the Veterans Day Celebration committee for the Nebraska State Fair; rebuilt COVID-impacted relationships with external agencies that provide safety net resources for military-connected students; and has received national recognition for CCC's student veterans' successes, including the new designation this year of being spouse-friendly.

Dr. Gotschall's Report

Dr. Gotschall reported the following:

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- Central Community College celebrated our first Registered Apprentice completing both the work and welding course level requirements with our partner Standard Iron in Grand Island.
- Representatives from the Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation were present in Hastings for a dinner with our current class of freshman and sophomore students.
- Assisted at the State Fair with interview, college booth and Heartland United Way Scoops. Many CCC employees and students from across the area were heavily involved throughout the State Fair and later at Husker Harvest Days.
- Participated in Math Readiness Grant annual review with researcher and foundation donor.
- Met with Hastings area state senators Halloran and Murman regarding tax levy request and automotive training center and toured the Hamilton Building on the Hastings Campus.
- Attended groundbreaking ceremony with UNK and UNMC promoting involvement in the new \$90 million Rural Health Complex in Kearney. Good to see board members and employees attend along with many donors who have been generous to CCC projects, too.
- Continued involvement in executive boards of Heartland United Way and Postsecondary International Network and attended a meeting of the Greater Nebraska Workforce Board.
- I was asked by the American Association of Community Colleges to co-present a session on our use of data in making student success decisions – specifically Volunteer Framework of Accountability data. This was for AACC's Future Leader's Institute in Denver, Colorado. AACC reimbursed my expenses to participate.
- Attended the CCC Foundation Community Appreciation Event held on the Hastings Campus. Many great demonstrations by program faculty and staff in attendance and well received by the community. Held in cooperation with the Hastings Chamber.
- Attended University of Nebraska-hosted luncheon at Husker Harvest Days.
- Met with four accreditors from the American Commission on Dental Accreditation during their site visit of the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting programs – initial feedback is positive.
- Gave a tour of the Columbus Science and Technology building to a CCC science alum, working with University Extension, who may partner on future industry-based workshops.
- Greeted golfers at the annual CCC Foundation Golf Tournament and was pleased to hear positive feedback from our student speaker who attended the annual NPPD golf tournament held as a fundraiser for five community colleges in their region.
- Attended the Nebraska Recycling Conference where CCC was given an award for our sustainability and recycling efforts.
- Participated in feasibility interview and feedback from Foundation regarding Auto project.
- Attended Hall County Joint Public Budget Hearing.
- Two ADN (nursing) students have yet to test, but so far pass rates are 93% for NCLEX-RN and 100 for NCLEX-PN from last year's graduates.

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- Grand Island High School and CCC started their new partnership in offering Medical Lab Tech programming for seven early colleges students. Students attend CCC labs on Tuesday or Wednesdays and rest is completed at their high school and online.
- In September Occupational Therapy Assistant students will be working an elementary school in Hastings, helping build a sensory wall.
- Six students achieved National Registry Certification in Paramedicine with an additional two retesting this month. Twelve students have entered second year of coursework with eighteen beginning this fall.
- Exploring Early Childhood Education apprenticeship offerings for paraeducators as part of our federal apprenticeship grant.
- The Growing Pathways to Stem (Project GPS) grant we received from the National Science Foundation has ended after six years with 46 students benefiting from those scholarships, transfer scholarship support and student research projects.
- Since July 2023, we have had four GED graduates with strong numbers in multiple classes across our region.
- Tryouts were completed for the collegewide Esports team with 20 student athletes now accepted on to a team, including our first female team member.
- Central Community College was the first community college in the state to sign with Opendorse – a Nebraska-based, national company to assist student athletes with name, image and likeness agreements. More to share at the October Board meeting.
- Counseling and prevention counselor Mallory Swantek joined the Nebraska Counseling Association Board as the co-chair for Region 4/5. This area covers the communities surrounding our Grand Island, Hastings, and Holdrege locations. Mallory will serve for two years in this role. Director Luz Colon-Rodriguez joined the Nebraska Collegiate Prevention Alliance (NECPA) Advisory Board in August. NECPA works collaboratively to develop strategies for reducing and preventing high-risk drinking and substance use among Nebraska college students. On September 29, Central Community College will host the Nebraska Counseling Association Fall Conference on Rural Mental Health.
- Over \$600,000 was received from Nebraska Economic Development for CCC's share of the Nebraska Legislative allocation for Nebraska Career Scholarships for awards up to \$15,000 over three years for students going into high demand careers.
- Many welcome back activities, Central Kickoff and student engagement events occurred on each of the campuses since the start of school with college-wide enrollment showing an increase from fall 2022.
- The Academic Success Center in Columbus has a total of 11 tutors and supplemental instruction leaders and two writing coaches, including five new student tutors hired since last fall. Nursing supplemental instruction sessions are also available to provide support.
- The VP and Retention Team is meeting monthly to continue the development and implementation of Success Scoring Plans – as well as the academic recovery interventions being planned for High-Risk Students and/or Academic Probation students. The Academic Recovery Taskforce has been meeting to finalize recommendations for changes to our Academic Probation processes at CCC.

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- The Third Annual Winter Commencement will be held on Friday, December 15, at the Columbus Campus at 2 p.m.

The following reports were also submitted for board review:

- Enrollment Report
- Grants Report
- Purchasing Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Skiles said there was no need for an executive session and requested a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY AERNI, SECONDED BY DAVIS to adjourn.

Aerni – aye	Keller – aye
Borden – aye	Novotny – aye
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UNANIMOUS “AYE” VOTE – MOTION CARRIED

Skiles declared the meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.