

**WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018
1:00 p.m.

The Western Community College Area Board of Governors held a regular Board Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18, 2018, in Room 115 and 116, Western Nebraska Community College, Sidney Campus, located at 371 College Drive, in the City of Sidney, in the County of Cheyenne, in the State of Nebraska, as per the publicized notice in the Star-Herald, on Wednesday, April 11, 2018.

A current agenda was available in the College President's Office and the Board Secretary's office on the Scottsbluff Campus at the time of the publicized notice.

AREA BOARD

Karen S. Anderson	Present
Merlyn L. Gramberg	Present
Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales	Present
F. Lynne Klemke	Present
Kimberly A. Marcy	Present
William M. Packard	Present
M. Thomas Perkins	Present
Thomas L. Perlinski	Present
R. J. Savely, Jr	Present
Richard G. Stickney, Vice-Chairperson	Present
Julienne K. Walworth, Chairperson	Present

OTHERS PRESENT

Paula Abbott, Sidney Campus Executive Director
Kathy A. Ault, Human Resources Executive Director
Theresa Barnhart, Student Representative, Sidney Campus
Kimberly J. Dale, Executive Vice President
Evangeline Grant, Student Services Vice President
Rosie Hernandez, Executive Administrative Assistant to the President and Board Secretary
Todd R. Holcomb, President
Philip M. Kelly, College Attorney
Lorin R. King, Faculty Representative, Scottsbluff Campus
William D. Knapper, Administrative Services Vice President and Board Treasurer
Andrew Lenzen, Faculty Representative, Sidney Campus

QUORUM

Ms. Walworth declared a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Ms. Walworth asked for comments from the community. Pursuant to Board Policy #830.1000.79, Ms. Walworth reminded community members who wish to make comments that each speaker will be limited to a five minute presentation. There were no community comments.

BOARD CHAIRPERSON COMMENTS

Ms. Walworth announced that for public information there is a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act available on the table at the back of the room.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Review Contents

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Consent Calendar which include the following item(s):

- 1) Agenda, April 18, 2018
- 2) Excuse Absent Board Member(s)
- 3) Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting, March 21, 2018
- 4) Claims
 - a. WCCA Unrestricted Fund - \$2,503,041.14
 - b. WCCA Restricted Fund - \$1,505.87
 - c. WCCA Federal Fund - \$2,644.48
 - d. WCCA Agency Fund - \$19,807.45
 - e. WCCA Loan Fund - \$-0-
 - f. WCCA Plant Fund - \$356,143.91
 - g. WCCA Auxiliary Fund - \$75,050.55
- 5) City Planning Commission Reports – (Attachment A-A2)
- 6) Reports and Proposals
 - a. From the Students
 - b. From the Faculty – (Attachment B)
 - c. From the Administration
 - d. From the Board

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. There were none.

Mr. Stickney MOVED the Consent Calendar be approved as presented. SECONDED by Mr. Savely.

Voting Yes: Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consider Items Extracted

There were no items extracted from the Consent Calendar.

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Dr. Merlyn L. Gramberg

Mr. Perlinski MOVED and Dr. Perkins SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Dr. Gramberg in the amount of \$218.00.

Voting Yes: Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Gramberg

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Ms. F. Lynne Klemke

Dr. Packard MOVED and Ms. Anderson SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Ms. Klemke in the amount of \$2,463.54.

Voting Yes: Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Klemke

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Dr. M. Thomas Perkins

Ms. Guzman-Gonzales MOVED and Mr. Stickney SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Dr. Perkins in the amount of \$806.26.

Voting Yes: Marcy, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Perkins

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Mr. Thomas L. Perlinski

Dr. Perkins MOVED and Ms. Anderson SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Mr. Perlinski in the amount of \$2,534.26.

Voting Yes: Packard, Perkins, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Perlinski

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Mr. R.J. Savely, Jr.

Ms. Guzman-Gonzales MOVED and Dr. Perkins SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Mr. Savely in the amount of \$211.46.

Voting Yes: Perkins, Perlinski, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Savely

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE/REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSE

Mr. Richard G. Stickney

Dr. Gramberg MOVED and Mr. Savely SECONDED the motion to approve the travel expense of Mr. Stickney in the amount of \$439.65.

Voting Yes: Perlinski, Savely, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Stickney

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BID CONSENT CALENDAR

Review Contents

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Bid Consent Calendar which include the following bid(s):

- 1) 18-SE-16 – WNCC Business Package (Attachment C)
- 2) 18-VEH-17 – Passenger Activity Bus (Attachment D)
- 3) 18-VEH-18 – Three (3) Intermediate Sedans (Attachment E)
- 4) 18-SE-20 – 25 Adder License for CISCO 5508 Wireless Controller (Attachment F)

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Bid Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. There were none.

BID CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval

Mr. Perlinski MOVED and Mr. Savely SECONDED the motion to approve the Bid Consent Calendar as submitted.

Voting Yes: Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

BID CONSENT CALENDAR

Consider Items Extracted

There were no items extracted from the Bid Consent Calendar.

PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR

Review Contents

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Personnel Consent Calendar which include the following resignation(s) and appointment(s):

- 1) Resignation(s):
 - a. Ms. Cynthia H. Armstrong, Social Science Instructor, effective August 31, 2018.
- 2) Appointment(s):
 - a. Mr. Josh Vesper, Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator, effective April 13, 2018 through June 30, 2018, wage to be \$23.00 per hour.
 - b. Dr. Ronda Kinsey, Honorary Status of Professor Emeritus.
 - c. Ms. Cynthia H. Armstrong, Honorary Status of Professor Emeritus.
 - d. Mr. Michael Hausmann, Honorary Status of Professor Emeritus.

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Personnel Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. There were none.

PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval

Ms. Klemke MOVED and Ms. Anderson SECONDED the motion to approve the Personnel Consent Calendar as submitted.

Voting Yes: Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Holcomb reported the original packet mailed out to Board members included Ms. Candi Grasmick, Honorary Status of Staff Emeritus. However, because the Board does not have an Honorary Staff Emeritus policy, this item was removed from consideration. Dr. Holcomb reported a policy will be brought before the Board for consideration which will include the position of Honorary Staff Emeritus.

In response to a question from the Board, Dr. Holcomb stated Ms. Candi Grasmick will be recognized for her service as Honorary Staff Emeritus after the policy is revised and approved.

PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR

Consider Items Extracted

There were no items extracted from the Personnel Consent Calendar.

WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Informal Meeting

Ms. Walworth reported planning is continuing for the Board of Governors Informal meeting for the purpose of a Planning Session. The meeting will begin on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., will break for dinner, and will continue in session following dinner. The meeting will reconvene in an adjourned session at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2018.

Ms. Walworth reported this session will include discussion with College administration and an open Board discussion. In response to a question from the Board, Ms. Walworth reported the session will also include a meeting with the Western Nebraska Community College Foundation Board of Directors.

In response to a question from the Board, Ms. Walworth reported the session on May 16, 2018, will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 11:00 a.m., during which several committee meetings will occur during that time.

The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room, at the Fairfield Inn and Suites, 902 Winter Creek Drive, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

Dr. Perkins MOVED to approve the Planning Session on May 15, 2018, at 6 p.m., and May 16, 2018, at 8 a.m., Dr. Packard SECONDED the motion.

Voting Yes: Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Authorization for Board Member Travel

Ms. Klemke MOVED to authorize the Board Member travel for Dr. M. Thomas Perkins, Mr. R.J. Savely, and Mr. Richard G. Stickney, to attend the Association of Community College Trustees 2018 Leadership Congress. Ms. Guzman-Gonzales SECONDED the motion.

Voting Yes: Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perlinski, Stickney, Anderson, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: Perkins, Savely, and Stickney

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

MONITORING REPORTS

Transfer Margaret M. Ehmke Estate Account to Foundation

Mr. Knapper reported on this item and referring the Board to the document included in the Board Packet, explained the College received a gift in the amount of \$62,747.27 from Ms. Margaret M. Ehmke. The bequest states the funds were given to the College “for its use in furthering education in the areas of agricultural and agriculture sciences.”

Per recommendation from President's Cabinet, Mr. Knapper requested the Board allow the bequest be transferred to the Western Nebraska Community College Foundation to manage the funds for possible use of scholarships for the agriculture program at Western Nebraska Community College.

Mr. Savely MOVED to authorize the funds be transferred from the Margaret M. Ehmke Estate Account to the Foundation. Ms. Guzman-Gonzales SECONDED the motion.

Voting Yes: Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Marcy, Packard, Perkins, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, and Walworth

Voting No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

MONITORING REPORTS

WNCC Innovation & Entrepreneurship Center

Ms. Abbott reported on the Western Nebraska Community College Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center, a program initiated after the College made the difficult decision to discontinue its Cosmetology program in 2016. The purpose of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center is to assist entrepreneurs develop their plan while utilizing the space formerly used by the Cosmetology program, as well as receive assistance from College Staff. Ms. Abbott reported the program will be offered at no cost for two years to those who are interested.

Ms. Abbott explained several factors in the community have attributed to a significant amount of talent leaving the area. Conversations with the Economic Development Center and the Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce led to the idea of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center in the Sidney Campus.

Ms. Abbott reported the first meeting was very successful with twenty-four attendees. Since then, there have been a total of six successful business resource meetings in the City of Sidney, the City of Kimball, the City of Chappell, the Village of Lewellen, and the City of Alliance with a total of 135 attendees. A future meeting in the Village of Potter is scheduled to occur in May.

Ms. Abbott reported a new retail business that will be opening in Sidney's Industrial Park is currently being mentored in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center. The business will have about twenty employees and invest a total of \$1.2 million in Sidney by the end of December.

Ms. Abbott introduced to the Board Ms. Nichole Peralta, a current practicing clinician in Sidney who will be opening her own counseling business and will be utilizing space in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center effective June 1, 2018. Ms. Peralta reported on the positive impact this program has had on her, and how important it is to have access to it. Ms. Peralta reported the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center, gives her the confidence she needs to open her own practice in Sidney.

Ms. Klemke stated the importance of this program for long term businesses who may need assistance and resources to know how to transition their business to perspective persons who may not have the finances to take over. She reported the business resource meetings have provided a lot of insight on that topic.

Ms. Abbott asked for further questions. There were none.

Ms. Walworth thanked and commended Ms. Abbott and the Staff for the work done on this project. She commended them for using the space formerly used by the Cosmetology Program, and taking a negative and turning it into a positive.

MONITORING REPORTS

Peter Kiewit Foundation Grant Award

Dr. Dale reported on the Peter Kiewit Foundation Grant, which was awarded in March 2018. This grant will assist the College in meeting its goal of opening a Career Center and meeting the Higher Learning Commission Quality Initiative related to enhancing student success at the College.

Dr. Dale reported the budget for this initiative is \$1,840,000. The grant awarded is for \$460,000. The College's contribution is \$1,170,000. Dr. Dale reported this includes funds that are currently being invested in student success. The Peter Kiewit Foundation is seeking for a significant portion of the remaining \$210,000 to be funded on the local level by local donors. Dr. Dale reported the College will absorb all costs at the end of the grant cycle and/or a new request can be made to Kiewit. Dr. Dale reported this grant is intended to build human capacity to move these initiatives forward.

Ms. Grant reported the grant would allow for the hire of the following positions: Career Pathways Director, Career Pathways Advisors, Institutional Research Analyst, and Student Success Director. It would also allow the College to 1) Plan for a Career Pathways Center; 2) Build data collection and reporting "dashboards" through Blackboard (LMS) outsourcing; 3) Strategize new donor opportunities with the Foundation; 4) Further develop student success outcomes related to this initiative; and 5) Continue reporting to the Higher Learning Commission Quality Initiative liaison.

Ms. Grant reported the College will have an actual Career Pathways and Advising Center after renovations are complete intended for students to receive the support they need.

Dr. Holcomb reported this initiative is critical, and is the missing piece of the puzzle for the College. He reported some of the funds for this initiative are identified in salary savings and in anticipation of this grant, the funds are being reallocated towards this initiative.

Ms. Anderson commended Staff on the synergy that is happening with the College and the Community.

Ms. Walworth also commended Staff for obtaining this grant. She stated a Career Pathways Center is one of the best things a college can have in assisting students who are unsure of what path to take.

MONITORING REPORTS

Nebraska Community College Association

Dr. Perkins reported the Nebraska Community College Association (NCCA) Executive Committee met on April 2, 2018, in Lincoln where they received a legislative update. Among the issues discussed was the possible initiative related to property tax.

At that time the legislature had not passed any property tax relief measures. If the legislature did not come up with a solution to the high property tax, then the initiative would move forward. Dr. Perkins reported they now know that there was no solution, so the petition process will begin and if enough signatures are gathered then some form of a property tax referendum will be on the ballot next fall. Mr. Greg Adams has concluded NCCA should not take a position on the matter.

Dr. Perkins reported Mr. Adams reviewed the responses of some of the state Senators' regarding the NCCA Legislative Day. He reported the Senators he visited with were positive about the visit. Dr. Perkins thanked the Board for their support of the first NCCA Legislative Day.

In regard to the luncheon which NCCA hosted for the Nebraska Senators and Representatives, in Washington D.C., Mr. Adams observed the feedback was positive. He also noted guests felt as though the NCCA pamphlets were helpful.

Dr. Perkins reported it is anticipate the Southeast Community College "Fail Study" will be reviewed at the NCCA Board meeting in May. The study was initiated to determine what factors contribute to a student's failure, e.g., lack of preparation for college or unrelated scholastic problems.

Dr. Perkins reported the committee reviewed the preliminary budget that includes a 3% increase over the present budget. Dr. Perkins also reported the Executive Committee continued their discussion in regard to inviting Metro back to the NCCA.

MONITORING REPORTS

Association of Community College Trustees

No report was given.

MONITORING REPORTS

Western Nebraska Community College Foundation

Ms. Anderson reported she has been in contact with new Foundation Executive Director Ms. Jennifer Reisig. She reported the Alumni Association did a tax project called "A Volunteer Income Tax Assistance" (AVITA), where twenty-three certified students assisted 102 students, and 228 community members file their taxes. Ms. Anderson reported it was a great service to our community and good learning experience for the students

Ms. Anderson reported the Foundation Board will be meeting on the morning of April 19, 2018. She reported the Foundation Board anticipates the meeting with the Board of Governors during the May 15, 2018, Planning Session with the Board of Governors.

Ms. Anderson reported a tour has been scheduled for Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., for an opportunity to view the latest renderings of the Main Campus renovation project. There is also an awards ceremony following the tour at 3:30 p.m. in the John N. Harms Advanced Technology Center in The Plex.

Ms. Anderson reported there is a lunch and learn scheduled for May 23, 2018, for a chance to learn tax strategies. She directed Board members to the handout received.

Ms. Anderson reported Alumni Relations Director Ms. Jennifer Sibal was named 2018 Woman of the Year by the Panhandle Businesses and Professional Women (BPW) on Wednesday. The award recognizes one woman annually who demonstrates outstanding career achievement, efforts on behalf of BPW issues, assistance to other women in their career advancement, guidance to youth, and community service.

WESTERN NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCOTTSBLUFF / MAIN BUILDING ADDITION UPDATE

Dr. Holcomb reported the front of the building has been demolished, asbestos removal will be complete by the end of this week, and footing has been poured in the theatre area. Dr. Holcomb reported exterior and

interior signage will all be new in the renovated building. He reported the renovation is on schedule, and encouraged Board members to attend the tour of the renovation on April 26, 2018.

BOARD COMMENTS

Dr. Gramberg reported he and Dr. Perkins attended the awards and recognition dinner at Chadron State College where they visited with a few people. He reported Dr. Richard R. Rhine, President of Chadron State College, felt Western Nebraska Community College should get together with other state colleges on certain issues in order to work together and become stronger units.

Dr. Gramberg stated he would like to further discuss ideas during the Board of Governors retreat to analyze what the Board can do to further strengthen these relationships.

Dr. Perkins agreed it would be good for the College to be seen at Chadron, and it would be helpful for the College to have a close relationship with Chadron, as some of the College's students transfer to Chadron State College.

Dr. Perkins stated the College and Chadron depend on one another, and it would be a win-win situation for both entities to strengthen their relationship. Dr. Perkins also reported it would be helpful for the Board to meet with the chair of the Higher Learning Commission.

Ms. Anderson reported Senator Stinner visited her office last week and informed her he will need a few weeks to decompress from session before he does a wrap-up session with Chamber members.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Ms. Walworth asked for President's Comments.

Dr. Holcomb reported the next Board of Governors Meeting will be in the back half of "The Plex," John N. Harms Center, on the Scottsbluff Campus, due to Pioneer Hall needing to close for maintenance from May 16, 2018, through May 18, 2018. In addition, Dr. Holcomb reported Western States Bank will be providing lunch for the entire campus that day.

Dr. Holcomb announced the Employee Luncheon and Awards Ceremony will held on May 15, 2018, at 11:30 a.m., in the John Bishop Dining Hall on the Scottsbluff Campus, and encouraged everyone to attend.

Dr. Holcomb announced the College will be hosting a National Walk @ Lunch Day on April 20, 2018, at Noon at the Main Entrance of the Cougar Palace. He invited participants to walk with him for 15-20 minutes. If the weather is not favorable participants will walk around the gym. He reported everyone who participates will receive a ticket for the College's Walk @ Lunch Day gift, which is either a WNCC headband or earmuffs.

Dr. Holcomb announced the End of the Year BBQ will be held Thursday, May 3, 2018, 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the Bishop Dining Hall, and encouraged the Board to attend.

Dr. Holcomb reported the College will be working on becoming a Tree Campus USA, and a committee has been assembled to begin the process in obtaining this designation.

Dr. Holcomb reported on April 5, 2018, Alliance held the Powerline Construction and Maintenance New Student Orientation. Over twenty students attended and most had a family member with them. Gretchen Foster was the coordinator, and several staff members from the Scottsbluff assisted her throughout the day.

Dr. Holcomb reported on April 7, 2018, the Alliance Home Show and Health Fair was held. Nursing students assisted Box Butte General Hospital with blood pressure checks. Gretchen Foster, Dan Joppa and Robyn Iossi had a booth at the Home Show. Dan brought a tabletop 3D Printer - it was a huge hit. Nursing students assisted at the booth as they had time.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Ms. Walworth reminded Board members of the following Upcoming Meetings and Events:

- 1) The Western Community College Area Board of Governors Informal Meeting for the purpose of a Planning Session on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., and Wednesday May 16, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 902, Winter Creek Drive, Scottsbluff, NE.
- 2) Western Nebraska Community College 2018 Awards Ceremonies to be held as follows: a) Sidney Campus on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., in the Aviation Maintenance Hanger, Sidney Airport; b) Alliance Campus on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., in the Alliance Learning Center – Community Rooms A, B & C; c) Scottsbluff Campus on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., in “The Plex,” John N. Harms Center, on the Scottsbluff Campus.
- 3) The GED Graduation Ceremony to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in “The Plex,” John N. Harms Center, on the Scottsbluff Campus.
- 4) The Nursing Pinning Ceremony to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., in “The Plex,” John N. Harms Center, on the Scottsbluff Campus.
- 5) The 2018 Graduation Ceremony to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., in the Cougar Palace, on the Scottsbluff Campus.
- 6) The Nebraska Community College Association 2018 Regular Meetings to be held as follows: a) Second Quarter Meeting, May 7, 2018, in Lincoln, Nebraska; b) Third Quarter Meeting, August 6, 2018, in Lincoln, Nebraska; c) Fourth Quarter (Annual Meeting), November 5 and 6, 2018, in Norfolk, Nebraska.
- 7) The Association of Community College Trustees 2018 Annual Leadership Congress to be held October 24 through 27, 2018, at the Marriott Marquis, Times Square in New York, New York.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next Regular meeting of the Western Community College Area Board of Governors will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, 1:00 p.m., in “The Plex” Room A108 A & B of the John N. Harms Advanced Technology Center, Western Nebraska Community College, Scottsbluff Campus, 2620 College Park, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 2:21 p.m.

Julienne K. Walworth, Chairperson

Rosie Hernandez, Secretary



City of Gering, Nebraska

1025 P Street • P.O. Box 687 • Gering, NE 69341 • (308) 436-5096

March 23, 2018

WNCC

Attn: Coral Richards
1601 East 27th Street
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Gering Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider a Preliminary and Final Plat of Lot 1, Block MQ Subdivision a replat of Lot 6 Block 1, Hawley Place and the North 20 feet of Lot 1, Block 1 Thompson Addition and Block 2 MQ Subdivision a replat of part of Lot 1 and Lots 2 through 5, Block 1, Thompson Addition and vacated alley in the City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

The Planning Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday April 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. and the City Council meeting will be held on Monday, April 21, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held in the Gering City Council Chambers, 1025 "P" Street Gering, Nebraska. Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact the City Clerk's office at City Hall (308) 436-5096, five (5) days prior to the meeting date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brenda".

Brenda Bruntz
Planning Commission Secretary
Enclosure



City of Gering, Nebraska

1025 P Street • P.O. Box 687 • Gering, NE 69341 • (308) 436-5096

April 5, 2018

WNCC

Attn: Board of Governors Secretary
1601 East 27th Street
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Gering Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider a Planned Townhouse Development District (PTD) for MQ Subdivision in the RM zone (Medium Density Residential). The property is approximately 3.61 acres, located North of K Street, between 12th and 13th Streets.

The Planning Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday April 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. and the City Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held in the Gering City Council Chambers, 1025 "P" Street Gering, Nebraska. Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact the City Clerk's office at City Hall (308) 436-5096, five (5) days prior to the meeting date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brenda".

Brenda Bruntz
Planning Commission Secretary
Enclosure

CITY OF CRAWFORD

City Clerk
Phone: (308) 665-1462

135 Elm Street
CRAWFORD, NEBRASKA 69339

Water Dept: (308) 665-1300
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BLIGHTED DESIGNATION FOR CRAWFORD, NE

Dear [ESU 13, WNCC, Crawford Public Schools, Dawes County, Upper Niobrara White NRD],

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in the Crawford City Hall at 135 Elm Street, Crawford, NE, the City of Crawford will hold a public hearing concerning the approval of a blighted designation for portions of Crawford, NE outlined in a study.

A recently completed study found that the area found the prevalence of a substantial number of deteriorating structures, insanitary or unsafe conditions and buildings as well as a declining population for the past two decennial censuses and an average age of residential and commercial units in the area of at least forty years. The City Council will consider a resolution to approve the study and designate the area described as blighted and substandard as described in Nebraska Revised statutes under Section 18-2103.

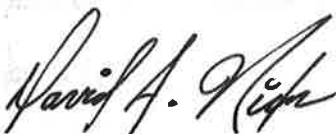
A map of the area proposed to be designated blighted and substandard is outlined in the map on the next page.

The blight study will be available for public inspection by contacting Jane Dailey, City Clerk and is available for viewing on crawfordnebraska.net. All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing at which time you will have an opportunity to be heard regarding the blighted designation. Written and oral testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing scheduled for 6:30 p.m., April 10, 2018 at the Crawford City Hall, 135 Elm Street, Crawford, NE 69339. Written comments addressed to Jane Dailey, City Clerk at 135 Elm Street, Crawford, NE 69339 will be accepted if received on or before noon, Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print or recorded materials, please contact Jane Dailey, at 135 Elm Street, Crawford NE 69339 no later than noon, Friday, April 6, 2018.

If you have any questions please call city hall at 308-665-1462 or you can reach the preparer of the blight study at danielb@nepadd.com or 308-436-6584.

Sincerely,



Mayor David A. Nixon



MEMORANDUM

Date: April 10, 2018
To: WCCA Board of Governors
From: Lorin R. King, Science Instructor and Science Lead
Re: April 2018 Board of Governors Faculty Report

William A Loring and Dan Joppa, attended the League of Innovation for the Community College conference in National Harbor Maryland from March 18-21, 2018. This event was for professionals dedicated to improving organizational teaching and learning, and discovering new approaches for enhancing the community college experience. There was a keynote speaker on upcoming innovations and where Community Colleges could be heading.

A keynote speaker on Basic Needs Insecurity mentioned that, as a student, how can you study and do your best work if you don't have enough food or a safe place to sleep. The Curriculum Council will be looking at adding this to our master syllabi and create a process for student access to resources at the next meeting. The idea was well received at the last faculty meeting.

Online learning was a focus, with many colleges devoting resources and planning to ensuring expansion and quality in online learning. Enrollments are down, but online learning enrollments are experiencing a growth.

These and other ideas to implement at WNCC were brought back. Some ideas include a pre-college class and WNCC advisors working with dual credit students, an Online Learning Orientation, and software (eLumen) that can implement an electronic catalog, curriculum management, student assessment, and retention in the same integrated package.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Governors

FROM: William D. Knapper

DATE: April 18, 2018

RE: Board Approval, Bid Number 18-SE-16

On March 29, 2018 bids were taken for the WNCC Business Package

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10.1.62000.5215.63

TOTAL BUDGET: \$12,000.00

TABULATION:

Company	City/State	Total Amount
Print Broker	Scottsbluff, NE	\$11,000.00
Print Express	Scottsbluff, NE	\$11,356.55
Money Wise Office Supply	Scottsbluff, NE	\$16,060.00

Recommendation to come from the Finance Committee.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Governors

FROM: William D. Knapper

DATE: April 18, 2018

RE: Board Approval, Bid Number 18-VEH-17

On March 29, 2018 bids were taken for a 44 Passenger Activity BUs

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10.1.62010.5611.63

TOTAL BUDGET: \$150,000.00

TABULATION:

Company	City/State	Total Amount
Image Truck Partners	Overland Park, KS	\$144,530.00
Davey Coach Sales, Inc.	Sedalia, CO	\$146,345.00
Nebraska Central Equipment	Alda, NE	\$189,117.00

Recommendation to come from the Finance Committee.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Governors

FROM: William D. Knapper

DATE: April 18, 2018

RE: Board Approval, Bid Number 18-VEH-18

On March 29, 2018 bids were taken for three (3) Intermediate Sedans

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10.1.62010.5611.63

TOTAL BUDGET: \$70,000.00

TABULATION:

Company	City/State	Total Amount
Masid Chevrolet	Morrill, NE	64,500.00

Recommendation to come from the Finance Committee.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Governors
FROM: William D. Knapper
DATE: April 18, 2018
RE: Board Approval, Bid Number 18-SE-20

On April 4, 2018 bids were received for a 25 Adder License for CISCO 5508 Wireless Controller

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10.1.42000.5611.64

TOTAL BUDGET: \$8,500.00

TABULATION:

Company	City/State	Total Amount
Sterling Computers Corporation	Dakota Dunes, SD	\$8,484.66

Recommendation to come from the Finance Committee.