

**Minutes for State Board for Career and Technical Education
December 16, 2024**

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the State Board for Career and Technical Education was held on Monday, December 16, 2024, via Microsoft Teams. It was called to order by Chair Sonia Meehl at 10:00 am CT.

Roll call was conducted and voting members present include:

Board Member Levi Bachmeier
Superintendent Kirsten Baesler
Board Member Pat Bertagnolli
Board Member Lyndsi Engstrom
Vice Chancellor Jerry Rostad proxy for Chancellor Mark Hagerott
Vice-Chair Mike McHugh
Board Member Eric Nelson
Board Member Jason Rohr

Also present: Wayde Sick, Mark Wagner, Gwen Ferderer, Laurie Elliott, Marcia McMahan, Mark Openshaw, Pam Stroklund, Daniel Spellerberg, Lyle Krueger, Randal Brockman, Maggie Backen, Ronda Schauer, Aaron Anderson, Eric Ripley, Nikki Fidely-Doll and Lorie Ruff.

Meeting chat information for this meeting does not exist.

Board Outcome Progress Monitoring:

Wayde Sick presented the Director Guardrail Progress Measure 2.1 Monitoring Report and explained the numerator and denominator definitions and their data sources. The target for this measure was 87% but the current status is only 85.8% so we did not meet our 2024-25 target goal. Director Sick clarified this was due to the targeting being new and not having implemented programs to address teacher retention as well as having a large number of new programs coming online the last few years has increased unqualified educators. The next steps are to review Perkins budget and determine if there are dollars that can be shifted to the area of mentorship with emphasis on teacher retention and advocating with Legislature for additional dollars for CTE to focus on retention or add more funding to the ND Rise Program.

Superintendent Baesler moved to accept Director Sick's Guardrail Progress Measure 2.1 Monitoring Report and it was seconded by Vice Chancellor Jerry Rostad. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Lyndsi Engstrom moved to approve and accept the items listed on the consent agenda and it was seconded by Levi Bachmeier. The motion passed unanimously.

Information Only:

Board Time Tracker: Laurie Elliott reviewed the November meeting tracker that was included in the material packet and reported that the Board has spent almost 59% of their time focused on student outcome and adult behavior. She commended the members on a job well done. At next month's meeting members will receive a cumulative quarterly time tracker for their review.

Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

Second Reading of Proposed TrainND Funding Policy: Chair Meehl reminded members that the Board approved the first reading last month. Superintendent Baesler moved to approve the Second Reading of Proposed TrainND Funding Policy and it was seconded by Lyndsi Engstrom. With no further discussion a roll call vote was administered:

Board Member Pat Bertagnolli - Aye
Board Member Lyndsi Engstrom - Aye
Vice Chancellor Jerry Rostad – Aye
Vice-Chair Mike McHugh – Aye
Board Member Eric Nelson – Aye
Board Member Jason Rohr - Aye
Board Member Levi Bachmeier - Aye
Superintendent Baesler – Aye
Chair Sonia Meehl - Aye
9-0-0 Absent

Discuss Draft CTE Funding Policy: Wayde Sick reviewed the progress that the Funding Subcommittee has made and reported that the purpose of today's discussion is to seek input from this Board on points that the Subcommittee is undecided on. One area of concern is Administration Allocation which is currently reimbursement for operational and administrative costs surrounding all programs offered by a center. A potential solution that the Subcommittee has discussed is separating Administration Allocation and Operating Allocation. Another concern is the administration and operation costs for virtual centers and if it is appropriate to fund them at the same rate as a brick-and-mortar center. After much discussion, Subcommittee Members felt that they had sufficient direction from Board Members to proceed with the rewriting of the policy. Chair Meehl asked if any member had any additional ideas or thoughts to contact Wayde Sick as soon as possible.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 27 in Bismarck.

There being no other business brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 am.