

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE**

Thursday, December 13, 2018

**STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE**

Carol Sibbel, Chairperson	PRESENT
Keith Harvey	ABSENT
Arlan Kuehn	PRESENT
Terry Nelson	PRESENT
Dirk Petersen, ex-officio	PRESENT

**OTHER BOARD MEMBERS**

Del Ames	PRESENT
Steve Anderson	PRESENT
Donovan Ellis	PRESENT
Julie Robinson	PRESENT
Jeff Scherer	PRESENT
Gene Willers	ABSENT

**STAFF**

Dr. Michael Chipps  
John Blaylock  
Lyle Kathol  
Lynne Koski  
Derek Bierman  
Amanda Nipp  
Lindsay Spiegel  
Dr. Tracy Kruse  
Marcus Rios  
Jim Curry  
Diane Reikofski  
Kenny Wurdinger

**MINUTES**

1. The meeting was convened at 11:17 a.m. in Room 1108B of the College Welcome Center by Carol Sibbel, Chairperson of the Student Success Committee.
2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the November 8, 2018 meeting.
3. Dr. Michael Chipps reported that he and respective staff travel the 20-county service area to meet with area high school superintendents, principals, and counselors to share with them information regarding Northeast Community College and to learn from the schools how Northeast may better serve them. Some of the discussion with the high school administration is related to dual credit education that is available through Northeast.

Rural high schools are served, in part, through academic transfer dual credit courses and career and technical education dual credit such as Fridays @ Northeast, Pathways 2 Tomorrow (P2T), and the O'Neill Area Schools Project.

Currently, 53 of 60 schools offer dual credit courses that are taught by qualified high school teachers. In the 53 schools, 60 unique courses with 386 sections are being taught. Eight interactive television (ITV) distance education courses are provided to two high schools and an extended campus. An additional 16 online courses with 40 sections are also provided to area high schools.

For the 2018-2019 academic year there are 17 schools participating in Fridays @ Northeast with 18 unique courses offered in 27 sections. Fridays @ Northeast courses provide high school credit while also earning college credit and is available to high school seniors.

There are 68 students from eight schools enrolled in P2T for Fall 2018. When the new West Point facility is operational, college and business and industry training will be offered from 7:00-10:00 a.m. and 3:00-10:00 p.m. with P2T programming taking place between the hours of 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Board members stated that they are pleased with Northeast Community College being a problem solver and maximizing the use of public facilities.

The O'Neill Area Schools project was developed through discovery sessions that occurred earlier in the year. Two schools with 10 students participate in the welding class that is held in O'Neill.

Over the past six years, the dual credit program has seen a 68% increase, and currently represents 9% of the total full-time equivalent student enrollment.

Discussion was held regarding challenges with providing dual credit courses which includes finding qualified teachers, high school administration who support Northeast's dual credit courses, competition with other institutions of higher education offering dual credit courses, etc. The Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship program provides funding for high school students to take dual credit courses but in recent years was reduced to only two courses per student. Senator Stinner has conveyed his intent to introduce legislation to increase ACE Scholarship funding in future years.

4. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.