

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 11, 2017

EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Carol A. Sibbel, Chairperson	PRESENT
Steven M. Anderson	PRESENT
Don Oelsligle	PRESENT
Dirk A. Petersen	PRESENT
Dr. Terry F. Nelson, ex-officio	PRESENT

STAFF

Dr. Michael Chipps
John Blaylock
Lynne Koski
Derek Bierman
Amanda Nipp
Lyle Kathol
Eric Johnson
Dr. Tracy Kruse
Craig Garrett
Diane Reikofski
Brenda Sock

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

Keith E. Harvey	PRESENT
Arlan W. Kuehn	PRESENT
Shirley J. Petsche	PRESENT
Jeffrey M. Scherer	PRESENT
Gene L. Willers	ABSENT

MINUTES

1. Carol A. Sibbel, Chairperson of the External Relations Committee, convened the meeting at 11:15 a.m. in Room 1108B of the College Welcome Center.
2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the April 13, 2017 meeting.
3. Dr. Michael Chipps reported that he and Dr. Kruse attended the Norfolk Chamber Governmental Affairs Committee this morning and listened to Speaker Scheer as he discussed the budget bill. The Speaker has signed the budget and it is now headed to the Governor's desk. The proposed budget reflects community colleges being flat-funded next year and the following year they would realize a \$1M cut. The Governor may elect to veto any line item in the budget. The Legislature may override any veto, but it takes a vote of 30 senators to do so.

Drs. Chipps and Kruse also participated in the Washington Siouland Conference and took the opportunity to meet with various agencies in a continuing effort to garner input on and support for the Ag and Water Center of Excellence.

4. Arlan Kuehn, Foundation Board of Directors representative, reported that the Foundation Board voted to approve a one-time transfer of funds from the General Foundation Support fund to cover the shortfall of dollars for the Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship program.

Jared Faltys, Christensen, Brozek, and Faltys (CBF) provided the Foundation Board with an overview of the CBF investment philosophy, the diversification of the Foundation's current portfolio, and a recap of 2016 performance.

The Foundation Board approved funding a Development Coordinator position for up to five years with a gradual increase in college support each year.

The Foundation Board is currently seeking nominations. There are eight members whose terms expire in 2017.

5. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned 11:53 a.m.