

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Thursday, November 14, 2019

**EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Carol Sibbel, Chairperson	PRESENT
Del Ames	PRESENT
Arlan Kuehn	PRESENT
Jeff Scherer	PRESENT
Steve Anderson, ex-officio	ABSENT

**STAFF**

Mary Honke  
Steve Schram  
John Blaylock  
Dr. Michele Gill  
Coleen Bressler  
Amanda Nipp  
Dr. Karen Severson  
Eric Johnson  
Dr. Tracy Kruse  
Jim Curry  
Diane Reikofski  
Brenda Sock

**OTHERS**

Dr. Leah Barrett

**OTHER BOARD MEMBERS**

Donovan Ellis	PRESENT
Terry Nelson	ABSENT
Dirk Petersen	PRESENT
Julie Robinson	ABSENT
Gene Willers	PRESENT

**MINUTES**

1. Carol Sibbel, Chairperson of the External Relations Committee convened the meeting at 2:33 p.m. in Suite G of the Lifelong Learning Center.
2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the October 10, 2019 meeting as distributed.
3. The Foundation Board of Directors met on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Dr. Tracy Kruse provided the following highlights:
  - Dana F. Cole presented the audited Foundation Financial Audit with a clean audit being reported.
  - As of July 1, 2020, the Weller Foundation is now a subsidiary of the Northeast Community College Foundation.
  - Achievement Awards were held on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The event was well attended. Several alumni who have been successful in their community and profession were recognized. Jim Curry encouraged board members to contact him with nominations for future recognitions.
4. Diane Reikofski will begin making conference and travel arrangements for board and staff members interested in attending the Community College National Legislative Summit (NLS), scheduled for February 8-12, 2020, in Washington, DC. Initial attendees include Dr. Leah Barrett, Dr. Tracy Kruse, Steve Anderson, Donovan Ellis, Del Ames, and Arlan Kuehn.
5. Highlights were provided of the recent Pathways 2 Tomorrow (P2T) meeting. Discussion at the meeting included considerations on how participation in the group will be funded.
6. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned 2:48 p.m.

**Mission**

Northeast Community College is dedicated to the success of students and the region it serves.