

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 13, 2020

EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Del Ames, Chairperson	PRESENT
Dirk Petersen	ABSENT
Julie Robinson	PRESENT
Nicole Sedlacek	PRESENT
Steve Anderson, ex-officio	PRESENT

STAFF

Dr. Leah Barrett
Dr. Tracy Kruse
Jim Curry
Diane Reikofski
John Blaylock
Coleen Bressler
Dr. Michele Gill
Amanda Nipp
Paul Feilmeier
Dr. Karen Severson

OTHERS

Scott Gray

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

Donovan Ellis	PRESENT
Arlan Kuehn	ABSENT
Terry Nelson	PRESENT
Jeff Scherer	PRESENT
Carol Sibbel	PRESENT
Gene Willers	PRESENT

MINUTES

1. Del Ames, Chairperson of the External Relations Committee, convened the meeting at 12:39 p.m. via Zoom videoconferencing.
2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the July 16, 2020 meeting as distributed.
3. Dr. Tracy Kruse provided highlights from the 2020 legislative sessions which adjourned on August 13th.
4. Steve Anderson, Northeast representative on the NCCA Board of Directors, held a virtual meeting with the main discussion centered around the NCCA Annual Conference. The 2020 Conference has been postponed and the 2021 NCCA Annual Conference will be held in Scottsbluff.
5. The ACCT Leadership Congress will be a virtual meeting held in September. Steve Anderson encouraged board members to take the opportunity to attend some of the virtual sessions to obtain a better understanding of the types of sessions provided during the annual Congress.
6. Dr. Tracy Kruse presented nominations for the Alumni Hall of Success and Distinguished Service awards. The nominees will be celebrated in the media this year and they will be invited to attend next year's ceremony to be recognized.

Mission

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

Following discussion, a consensus was reached by the External Relations Committee to recommend to the Board of Governors to approve the nominations presented. Names of the awardees will not be disclosed until the recipients have been properly notified.

7. The Northeast Community College Foundation Board of Directors quarterly update was provided by Dr. Tracy Kruse. July's meeting is the annual meeting with officers being elected. Bill Tielke will serve as president; Kendra Barnes, vice president; Greta Roth, secretary; Roy Miller, treasurer, and Wayne Studebaker, past president.

Four directors were reappointed, including Kathy Svik of Norfolk, who joined as the newest member in April.

8. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned 12:56 p.m.