

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 10, 2020

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Terry Nelson, Chairperson	PRESENT @ 11:38 a.m.
Julie Robinson	PRESENT
Jeff Scherer	PRESENT
Gene Willers	PRESENT
Steve Anderson, ex-officio	PRESENT

STAFF

Dr. Leah Barrett
Amanda Nipp
Paul Feilmeier
Scott Gray
Dr. Michele Gill
Jim Curry
Diane Reikofski

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

Del Ames	PRESENT
Donovan Ellis	PRESENT
Arlan Kuehn	ABSENT
Dirk Petersen	PRESENT
Nicole Sedlacek	PRESENT
Carol Sibbel	PRESENT

MINUTES

1. The Governance Committee meeting commenced at 11:19 a.m. with Rose Mercier, Senior Consultant of Governance Coach, joining via Zoom video conferencing to continue discussions on policy governance. Initial discussion was held on next steps to implement policy governance.
2. Gretchen Schmidt, National Center for Inquiry and Improvement (NCII) joined via Zoom video conferencing to conduct a strategic plan focus group with board members.
3. The meeting recessed at 2:10 p.m.
4. Terry Nelson, Chairperson of the Governance Committee, reconvened the meeting at 3:18 p.m. in Suites C & D of the Lifelong Learning Center.
5. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the August 13, 2020 as presented.
6. Discussion was held regarding policy governance. Board members expressed their desire for the board to retain flexibility, transparency, and keeping the human element of governance intact. Steve Anderson indicated that when this process began, he saw this as an opportunity for the board to set boundaries for the president while providing the board more control, more monitoring, and more vision.

As we proceed with policy governance, the board will decide what parts of policy governance will be utilized in order to provide the president with a reasonable interpretation

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of what the Board of Governors expects him/her to do, while allowing the president to use his/her creativity.

Steve Anderson and President Barrett will have a conversation with Ms. Mercier to advise of the board's desire to maintain the human element in the governance model and to use policy governance as a continuous improvement model.

7. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.