

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 10, 2019

STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE

Carol Sibbel, Chairperson	PRESENT
Keith Harvey	PRESENT
Arlan Kuehn	PRESENT
Terry Nelson	PRESENT@ 11:00 a.m.
Dirk Petersen, ex-officio	PRESENT

STAFF

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

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

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

MINUTES

1. The meeting was convened at 10:49 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 December 13, 2018 meeting.
3. Amanda Nipp, Vice President of Student Services, presented information regarding college affordability, reported that Nebraska ranks 8th in the nation regarding affordability. Northeast is slightly higher than its peer group when comparing the average full-time in-district undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees. Keith Harvey expressed an interest in knowing who Northeast's peers are and Dr. Chipps explained that it is a group of institutions from across the nation who are similar in size and setting, enrollment profile, similar instructional programs, etc. Review was also given to the annual cost of attendance for a student living on-campus during the 2017-2018 academic year.

Mrs. Nipp reported that 75% of Northeast's degree-seeking students apply for federal financial aid and of that group, 61% are determined to have need. 80% of all degree-seeking students are employed while taking classes with 20% working full-time. Examples were provided on the cost of attendance minus Pell grants, other grants, and subsidized and unsubsidized loans, revealing that students still have unmet financial need. Mrs. Nipp reported that federal financial aid has failed to keep up and covers less and less of the total cost of attendance.

Mission

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

Discussion was held regarding ways for students to fill the financial gap, including parent-plus loans, Northeast scholarships, institutional assistance, and payment plans. During the 2017-2018 academic year, Northeast awarded \$350,110 in Northeast Foundation scholarships and disbursed \$2,289,132 in private scholarship funds. Northeast remains steadfast in its Vision 2020 goal of increasing student access by keeping college affordable.

4. John Blaylock provided clarification of career academies and consortiums. A career academy program is a sequence of credit bearing (high school and/or college) academic and career technical courses which reflect a career cluster selected in response to local, regional, or state employment needs and demand for expertise. Northeast currently is involved with the Pathways 2 Tomorrow (P2T) Consortium, an eight-school consortium with five career pathways. This is a partnership with Northeast Community College and Wayne State College. Other examples of career academy models from across the state were illustrated.
5. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.