

**SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER
BOARD MEETING
3/22/2023 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Southeast Region Career & Technology Center Board met March 22, 2023, at SRCTC-W and over Zoom. Neil Planteen, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present

Mat Asp–Hankinson-Z
Kris Beck–N Sargent-Z
Derek Beito-Richland-W
Markus Geffre-Fairmount-Z
Amanda Huber-Edgeley-Z
Kate Mund – Milnor-Z
Art Nelson-Wahpeton-Z
Neil Planteen- Sargent Central-Z
Dave Puetz–Wyndmere-Z
Mark Qual–Lisbon-Z
Scott Thiel – Wahpeton-W
Val Wagner – Ellendale-Z

Board Members Absent

Ben Loll-Campbell-Tintah
Sheila Nagel – Oakes
Sadie Siemieniowski-Lidgerwood

Others Present

Dan Spellerberg, Director-W
Randal Brockman, Asst. Director-Z
Janel Sayler, Business Manager-W
Elle Cline-Z, Marketing-O Student-Z
Beth Harris-Z, Marketing-O Student-Z
Rhett Miller-Z, Marketing-O Student-Z

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Mark, seconded by Scott, to move Agenda item 7 to the top and approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Elle Cline, Beth Harris and Rhett Miller, Oakes Marketing students, gave the board a presentation on their financial literacy project in which they received first at State DECA March 5-7 in Bismarck. Elle, Beth, Brianna Schmitz and Kadence Wiedmeier qualified and will be competing at the International DECA Conference in Orlando April 22-25.

Motion by Val, seconded by Mat, to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2023, Career/Tech Center meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Scott, seconded by Dave, to approve the February Expenditure & Revenue Report. Revenue is at \$2,771,728 or 61.8% while expenses are at \$3,439,879 or 76.7%. Dan submitted the documentation for the ½ million for the Hankinson Ag project and it was received yesterday. He submitted the Lisbon Ag documentation today along with Carl Perkins. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mark, seconded by Val, to approve the February Activity Account Report. Edgeley FFA is in the negative on our books. Income is deposited at EPS and checks are cut to SRCTC a couple times a year. One was received earlier in March. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kris, seconded by Amanda, to approve the March General Fund bills as submitted in the amount of \$119,403. A few of the purchases include: Workkeys testing for the ND Scholarship, Bernstein Plumbing rough-in, laptops for Auto-W, and a down payment for the house cabinets from Hills Cabinetry. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Scott, seconded by Dave, to approve Aspen Hill, Tyler Thompson and Anika Birkelo as the recipients of the March Awards of Excellence. Tyler and Aspen are Oakes Seniors and enrolled in Advanced EMT/Patient Care and were nominated by their instructor Mrs. Wertz. Anika is a Wahpeton Senior enrolled in Business/Marketing and was nominated by her instructor Mrs. Langenwaller. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan will be giving an interested party a second showing of the 2022 CT House tomorrow at 4 p.m. They have asked for quotes to finish the basement.

The taping & texturing of the 2023 house has been finished by Schmitt & Sons Construction. The students will start painting. Installation of the cabinets will start next week. Doors and flooring will follow. The weather hasn't cooperated as far as siding. Dan has received a quote from a Milbank SD house mover which is about double what we paid last year. Checking w/Kindred was suggested.

Motion by Kris, seconded by Mat, to approve the following students for NTHS induction: David Mayeda from Campbell-Tintah; Norah Entzi, Kiara Jangula, Olivia Nitschke and Gracie Syversen from Edgeley; Paige Henningsen from Ellendale; Rex Roeder from Hankinson; Kelby Anderson, Kodi Lautt, Alayna Lyons and Nia Reinke from Lisbon; Isabella Ferderer from North Sargent; Brynn Dethlefsen, Kate Harris, Aspen Hill, Emma Muggli, Jaci Praska, Dylan Rodine, Laikyn Roney, Joseph Schaefer, Tyler Thompson and Kadence Wiedmeier from Oakes; Olivia Throener from Sargent Central; Caden Hockert, Alaina LaJesse, Briar Maudal, Wyatt Neiber and Ashley Pauly from Wahpeton; Lauren Haugen, Tarah Heley and Chloe Nelson from Wyndmere. A few of the requirements include: taking 2 credits of CTE classes, achieving a 95% grade point in their CTC class, maintaining a 3.5 GPA, CTO youth group involvement and CTE instructor, home school principal and Center Director approval. The banquet will be held at the Wyndmere Community Center April 26. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Art, seconded by Val, to accept the resignation of Cohl Ringler, Oakes Ag Instructor, effective at the end of his 2022-23 contract June 15, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Markus, seconded by Scott, to accept the resignation of Breanna Pastir, Wahpeton Ag instructor, effective April 11, 2023, and to assess the \$7,500 contract severance and liquidated damages penalty. She is going to work for National FFA as a coordinator of the SAE For All Program. The board discussed Breanna's resignation letter. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Art, seconded by Mat, to accept the resignation of Sasha Steele, Milnor Counselor, effective the end of her 2022-23 contract the end of May. She and her husband are relocating to southeast Iowa. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dave, seconded by Scott, to approve the following 2023-24 contracts: Rhonda Weigelt for the North Sargent Counselor position; Brooke Kunz for the Oakes Ag instructor position and Cohl Ringler, Hankinson Ag Instructor position. Rhonda is working in Special Ed now. She has a Masters Degree but will be working on her Masters for Counseling. Brooke is student teaching at Richland 44 with Tony Boehm. Motion carried unanimously.

Positions currently open include: ½ time Auto Instructor position in Oakes, Wahpeton Ag instructor position in Wahpeton and Milnor Counselor position. There are only three Ag student teachers and many openings in ND. Dan reached out to a counselor today and scheduled to meet with her next week. He is working every angle.

Mr. Ringler may be offered a summer employment agreement to assemble the Hankinson Ag Program, charter an FFA Chapter, etc. A Summer Construction Tech class will be offered as well as welding training at the rural schools.

Work is being done on the Hankinson Ag building even though they are pushing snow every other day. They intend to work seven days a week until up. Dan will include pictures as he gets them.

April member school board meetings scheduled include: Milnor 7 pm April 11th and Sargent Central at SRCTC-O 6 pm April 12th with a meal. Edgeley & Richland 44 will be rescheduled.

ND CTE is looking at a major revision of their online budget/reimbursement in a couple years. The legislature is looking to fund new and current programs. SRCTC is on the short list since we had requests last year.

The glazing will have to be replaced on the Richland 44 and Oakes greenhouses. These will be budgeted when conducive.

The Center's Bobcats are roughly two years old and have approximately 180-200 hours on them. New ones of the same model are going for \$48,000-\$56,000. They haven't come out with a new model yet.

Grant funding is now available for the rotational trainers. Bids will be obtained to present to the board. These grant funds use Webgrants rather than ND CTE's BRP.

Budgets will be completed once negotiations are finished.

Assistant Director's Report

Embroidery machine training will be held at Blow's in Fargo tomorrow. The machines purchased will be picked up at that time. The new vinyl cutter printer is in Fargo and will be picked up tomorrow as well. It will be set up March 30 and training will be done. The new laser engraver has been shipped and should be here Friday.

The board reviewed a list of students that placed at the DECA State Conference March 5-7 in Bismarck, the FCCLA Star Event held February 8 and the State Winter CDEs in Minot Monday. Upcoming competitions include: State SkillsUSA March 26-28 in Wahpeton, State FCCLA in Bismarck and State HOSA in Minot April 16-18; and State FFA June 5-8 in Fargo. FFA banquets scheduled include: Oakes and Richland 44 April 14; Edgeley April 16, Lisbon April 24 and Wahpeton April 30.

Director's Report

Dan shared with the board the MOU with NDSU Extension for renting office space at the Oakes Center.

The Southeast Consortium-Oakes passed the 2021-22 Perkins Performance Report Card with flying colors however Richland Consortium-Wahpeton isn't in compliance in one of the categories and has been put on an improvement plan. Dan is working with the State staff on this. Dan feels it is a reporting error as it shows only eight students rather than 100 some that have completed work-based learning.

Dan highlighted an article in the 2023 ND Agriculture magazine featuring Wyndmere and Oakes Ag students learning about meats processing in SRCTC's mobile meats lab. The Wyndmere Post Prom Committee is requesting donations. Dan was invited to Wahpeton School's Honor Society Induction Ceremony March 21st.

As far as legislative action, Dan is doing what he can concerning the addition of the inflationary package to HB1019 and new and expanding CTE programs. He also mentioned SB2260 which would require extra reporting requirements for schools regarding their per pupil payments.

Dan and Randal will bring back nominations for the Directors Awards of Excellence.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at the Wyndmere School after the NTHS Banquet, which starts at 6:30 p.m..

Dan wished Art a belated happy birthday yesterday.

Motion by Dave, seconded by Art, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Janel Sayler, Business Manager