

**SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER  
BOARD MEETING  
11/25/2025 – 7:00 p.m.**

The Southeast Region Career & Technology Center Board met November 25, 2025. The meeting was hosted at the Career/Tech Center in Wahpeton with video connections. Markus Geffre, President, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Board Members Present

Kris Beck–N Sargent-V  
Markus Geffre-Fairmount-V  
Lisa Graves – Wahpeton-V  
Amanda Huber-Edgeley-V  
Ben Loll-Campbell-Tintah-V  
Sheila Nagel – Oakes-V  
Michelle Nelson-Wahpeton-V  
Tom Nitschke-Kulm-V  
Mark Qual-Lisbon-V  
Val Wagner – Ellendale-V

Board Members Absent

Nathan Berseth-Richland 44  
Chad Fyre-Milnor  
Brandon Hanson-Sargent Central  
John Manstrom-Wyndmere  
Jason Semerad-Hankinson  
Sadie Siemieniowski-Lidgerwood

Others Present

Dan Spellerberg, Director-W  
Randal Brockman, Asst. Director-V  
Janel Sayler, Bus Mgr-W

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Ben, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – Dan said one or two want to make a public comment but there is nobody here tonight.

Motion by Val, seconded by Michelle, to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2025, Career/Tech Center meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Ben, to approve the October Expenditure & Revenue Report. Revenue is at \$2,057,391 or 36.38% while expenses are at \$1,483,296 or 26.23%. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mark, seconded by Sheila, to approve the November Activity Account Report. There are National FFA expenses and miscellaneous fundraisers. One FFA and one HOSA account is negative. Construction Tech Skills CT is wrapping up two shed projects. The balance of the Activities Account is \$242,341. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Sheila, to approve the November General Fund bills as submitted in the amount of \$145,276. Some purchases/payments include: Perkins tools from Acme Tools \$1,746; garage door bid from Colonial Enterprises for the house \$4,400; advisors' Nat. FFA rooms \$2,056; final payment of Gast retainage for Edgeley CTC building \$10,000; Kitchen Aid mixers for Chef Training \$3,700 Perkins; bulk welding order from Lincoln Electric \$4,506; Schmitt's plumbing draw for the house \$9,535 and Storm's Electric rough-in draw for the house \$6,735. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tom, seconded by Lisa, to approve Jonah Loll and Caden Ulmer as the recipients of the November Student Awards of Excellence.. Jonah is a CTPS Junior enrolled in Welding. He was nominated by Mr. Cade. Caden, an Edgeley Senior, is a third year Auto student. He was nominated by Mr. Weigel. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Kemmer gave highlights of her programs and CTSOs. This is her seventh year of teaching; she taught her first year in Edgeley. A quote she goes by is "Success is doing ordinary things extraordinarily well". Classes she teaches are Culinary Arts, Baking & Pastry Science, Exploring FACS, Botany/Horticulture for CTE or Science credit and Ag Ed I. Community service projects that FCCLA has done is serving pie, seasonal crafts for nursing homes, Tornado Watch, food donations and deliveries. Some things FFA is involved in include monthly meetings, community service, Leadership and Career Development contests, High Tunnel, orchard, plant sales and fowl production.

The 2026 house is currently 85% sided, natural gas has just been trenched and the meter and boiler will get hooked up soon. Sheetrock has been started inside the house and exterior walls have been insulated. Insulation will be blown on top soon as well. Work on the house is ahead of schedule.

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Kris, to approve Dan's Director's Evaluation. Marcus met with Dan November 13. They went over everybody's critiques. Dan took notes of the constructive criticism. Markus asked the board to let Dan know if they want more than just financials prior to the meeting. Overall, everyone is happy with our director. Motion carried unanimously.

The 2026-2027 SRCTC Calendar has been shared with the superintendents recently and feedback is being received every day. He hopes to get as much feedback as possible. We will try to coordinate the schools' different schedules as best as we can. The calendar will be brought back for approval in December.

The 2026 SRCTC Board Meeting Schedule remains the same, meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month except for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The meeting will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of those months. Dan asked the board to let he or Randal know of any questions or concerns.

#### *Assistant Director's Report*

The Oakes Center follows what Oakes School does for storm days and the Wahpeton Center follows Wahpeton School. There may be times when Oakes is in session and Wahpeton isn't and vice versa. The staff have been asked to have virtual activities planned in case of E-Learning.

Mrs. Bishop is mentoring Ms. Lehmann, the new Lisbon Ag Instructor, and Ms. Luebke is mentoring Mrs. Sundquist, our new counselor at Fairmount and Lidgerwood.

The superintendents will be meeting December 12 to discuss Perkins and Emerging Tech in conjunction with the Schoolmasters meeting. Another meeting will be held in April.

### *Director's Report*

Wahpeton School has once again invited certified personnel from the regional schools to a PD Day January 19. The outside signage at the Edgeley CTC, being created by Indigo Signs, will be put in place after the holidays. Dan mentioned the Daily News article about SRCTC's Health Sciences Program starting a HOSA chapter and attending the Fall Leadership Conference in Jamestown October 20. The Oakes DECA Chapter held a blood drive November 17. The Wahpeton HOSA Chapter is doing a blood drive tomorrow, weather permitting. Dan and Janel have had discussions about her retirement at the end of this year and the transition to a new person.

Dan and Randal continue to chip away at the staff reviews. Dan does micro evals. He feels one sit-down isn't sufficient. He hopes his and Randal's advice helps the teachers to continue to build student opportunities.

Dan has sent out flight and hotel info for those attending ACTE Vision December 9-12 in Nashville. There are as many as 25 sessions to choose from in each time slot. Participants will be staying downtown Nashville and will be taking Ubers to Gaylord Opryland.

The October 28-29 State CTE Directors meeting was held in their new headquarters at the Hughes building of Bismark Schools. A funding policy was officially adopted. Discussion was held on high-cost programs with potential tiered funding, such as CDL.

Fundraising fell short so Wahpeton Ag won't be taking the trip to Hawaii that they were planning. Other opportunities are being researched.

Due to Christmas, the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 22, 2025, at the Career/Tech Centers and any other requested sites or video connections.

Motion by Tom, seconded by Ben, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Janel Sayler, Business Manager