

**SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER
BOARD MEETING
05/27/2026
8:00 p.m.**

The Southeast Region Career & Technology Center Board met May 27, 2026 with the meeting hosted at the Career/Tech Center in Wahpeton and Oakes ND along with ITV connections. Markus Geffree, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present

Markus Geffre, Fairmount
Val Wagner- Ellendale
Mark Qual – Lisbon
Sheila Nagel – Oakes
Amanda Huber- Edgeley
Kris Beck- N. Sgt - Virtual
Michelle Nelson- Wahpeton
Lisa Graves – Wahpeton
Sadie Siemieniowski – Lidgerwood -virtual

Board Members Absent

Ben Loll- Campbell-Tintah
Jason Semerad - Hankinson
Nathan Berseth – Richland #44
John Manstrom - Wyndmere
Tom Nitschke - Kulm
Brandon Hanson – Sgt Central
Chad Fyre - Milnor

Others Present

Dan Spellerberg- Director
Randal Brockman, Asst. Director
Jodi Smart, Executive Admin Assistant

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Michelle, seconded by Lisa, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment - None

Motion by Lisa, seconded by Val, to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2026, Career/Tech Center board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mark, seconded Kris, to approve the April Expenditure & Revenue Report. Total revenue to date is \$4,801,280 or 85% while expenditures are at 4,009,951 or 71%. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Lisa, to approve the April Activity Account Report. The balance of the Activities Account is \$241,860. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michelle, seconded by Sheila, to approve the May General Fund bills as submitted in the amount of \$85,148. Motion carried unanimously.

The 2024-2025 Audit will be presented to the Board at the June 24th meeting.

Motion by Sheila, seconded by Amanda, to approve Mason Seelye and Eli Dinger as the recipients of the May Student Award of Excellence. Mason is a recent graduate of Wyndmere Public School and was enrolled in the Construction Technology and

Wyndmere Ag Program. Eli just finished his junior year in Oakes and was enrolled in Culinary/Baking Program in Oakes. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan gave the Board an update on the 2026 Construction Technology House. Still missing the three main doors, they are expected to be delivered next week. Mirrors in the bathrooms still need to be installed along with minimal siding on the back side of the house. Mr. Stone will be working a couple of days next week to finish these items up. Landscape continues to be watered.

Dan previewed options for the 2027 house. The preliminary blueprint will be sent to the Board for review for suggestions/concerns. The 2027 house will be a three-bedroom slab on grade, with a three-stall garage. Dan expects to present bids for upcoming work at the June/July Board Meetings.

Dan provided a staffing update. It was a tough last two weeks of the school year with the passing of a staff member's child. A message was shared with the Board from John Manstrom, Wyndmere/SRCTC Board member thanking the SRCTC staff for their help and support during the difficult time.

Emma Muggli was hired as the Oakes Work Based Learning Coordinator. She will begin her position on June 1st, 2026.

SRCTC is still looking to fill three positions: Oakes Ag instructor, Ellendale Ag instructor and .5-time school counselor in Campbell-Tintah.

Motion by Kris, seconded by Sadie, to accept the three contracts presented. Mckayla Carlson-Hughes, Hankinson Ag, Aaron Stone, lane change, and Cohl Ringler, North Sargent Ag. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Lisa, seconded by Val, to accept the Employee Agreement for Aly Stone as the next SRCTC Business Manager with the suggestion that she enroll in the Business Manager Curriculum training and the Software Unlimited training. Motion carried unanimously. Aly will begin her employment June 1st, 2026.

Dan reviewed Youth Group Merit pay, a summary will be presented at the June 24th Board meeting.

Summer office scheduled was presented.

Dan and Randal will present at the Sargent Central Public School Board meeting on June 10th, at 6:00 PM. This will wrap up the board meeting tours for the year.

Assistant Director's Report

Staff exit meetings will be scheduled in the next couple of weeks for Cheyenne Ketterling, Edgeley Ag, Eilleen Vculek, Administrative Assistant in Oakes, and Janel Sayler Business Manager.

NDACTE nominations have been submitted for Michael Marquette for the New Educator award. Programs to be nominated for the Directors Award of Excellence include Agriculture, Construction Technology, FACS and Career Development.

Randal talked about finding new High Tech Equipment that was more user friendly.

Looking into purchasing new VR Headset systems that are subscription based for three years. Initial cost of these headsets would be \$55,000. These would be funded with Emerging Tech money.

The Ag instructors will be working on their SAEP duties the month of July.

Director's Report

EMT instructor Cary Wertz was named the 2026 Dickey County Teacher of the Year, earning a special shout-out from Dan. This honor marks the third consecutive year an SRCTC staff member has won the award.

Numerous pictures were reviewed from local Newspapers highlighting great things are staff and students are doing.

Dan reported on the new state reimbursement system Fluxx. Hope is to be able to log into the system this week.

State funding for the upcoming year was discussed.

Dan discussed that Joe Weigel in Edgeley will be offering a Fire Fighting course next year. It would be an online platform with in-person hands-on days. The goal of the course is to help students understand/test for the Fire Fighter 1 test/certification.

Other CTE Centers are exploring military options to help prepare students to become Choice Ready.

Dan reviewed possible Capital Projects this summer. Some of these include updating the bobcats, replacing some of the Center Ford Focus cars and doing a bathroom remodel at the Center in Oakes.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be 8:00 PM on June 24, at the Career/Tech Centers and any other designated sites.

Motion by Michelle, seconded by Lisa. to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jodi Smart

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Executive Administrative Assistant.