## NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

## EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 14, 2015

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<u>STAFF</u>
PRESENT	Dr. Michael Chipps
PRESENT	Mary Honke
ABSENT	John Blaylock
PRESENT	Lynne Koski
PRESENT	Dr. Karen Severson
	Derek Bierman
<u>RS</u>	Eric Johnson
PRESENT	Dr. Tracy Kruse
PRESENT	Craig Garrett
PRESENT	Jim Curry
PRESENT	Diane Reikofski
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## **MINUTES**

- 1. The meeting was convened at 1:29 p.m., in Room 1108B of the College Welcome Center, by Dirk Petersen, member of the External Relations Committee.
- 2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the April 9, 2015 meeting.
- 3. An update on the bills of interest to Nebraska's community colleges was provided by Dr. Tracy Kruse.
  - Dr. Terry F. Nelson requested talking points on the Norfolk Regional Center property. Dr. Kruse will provide the concept paper that was previously prepared and it will be loaded into BoardPaq for reference.
- 4. In other business, Dr. Kruse provided a quarterly Foundation report:
  - The Foundation Gift Acceptance Procedures were unanimously approved
  - The Foundation Board of Directors currently has three members position vacant
  - Initial planning is underway to establish a planned giving advisory committee
  - Potential opportunities for outreach at local events has been discussed
  - A new endowed scholarship of \$25,000 and several small scholarships have been established
  - Significant in-kind donations for instructional purposes have been received
  - Working with Wayne State College to raise scholarships in support of students at the College Center
  - The Foundation is piloting an emergency assistance fund at the College Center to assist students with unexpected expenses that might otherwise cause students to drop out
- 5. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:44 p.m.