## NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

## EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, December 10, 2015

| EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE |          | <b>STAFF</b>       | <b>OTHERS</b> |
|------------------------------|----------|--------------------|---------------|
| Arlan Kuehn, Chairperson     | PRESENT  | Dr. Michael Chipps | Scott Gray    |
| Steve Anderson               | PRESENT  | Mary Honke         |               |
| Dirk Petersen                | PRESENT  | John Blaylock      |               |
| Shirley Petsche              | PRESENT  | Lynne Koski        |               |
| Gene W. Willers, ex-officio  | PRESENT  | Dr. Karen Severson |               |
|                              |          | Derek Bierman      |               |
| OTHER BOARD MEMBERS          | <u>S</u> | Eric Johnson       |               |
| John W. Davies               | ABSENT   | Dr. Tracy Kruse    |               |
| Keith E. Harvey              | PRESENT  | Craig Garrett      |               |
| Terry F. Nelson              | PRESENT  | Jim Curry          |               |
| Don Oelsligle                | PRESENT  | Diane Reikofski    |               |
| Larry W. Poessnecker         | PRESENT  | Brenda Sock        |               |
| Julie Robinson               | PRESENT  |                    |               |

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Arlan Kuehn, External Relations Committee Chairperson, convened the meeting at 11:35 a.m., in Room 1108B of the College Welcome Center.
- 2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting.
- 3. Dr. Michael Chipps reported that the community college chief executive officers continue to discuss the funding formula. He expressed concern regarding the timing of providing a recommendation on the community college funding formula to the Legislature due to this being a short session. Keith Harvey indicated another concern would be due to term limits and the number of new senators that will be elected and explaining the funding formula to them.

Dr. Tracy Kruse reported that she is working to secure meetings with the congressional delegation while she, Dr. Chipps, and Northeast board members are attending the Community College National Legislative Summit (NLS) in Washington, DC, February 8-11, 2016. She continues to align the schedule to make the best use of time and allow participation in the NLS, Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA) meetings, and Nebraska Community College Association (NCCA) visits to Capitol Hill.

Steve Anderson has been selected to serve as the Chairperson for the NCCA Board of Directors beginning in July 2016 and Shirley Petsche has been selected to serve as Nebraska's ACCT state coordinator.

4. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.