## NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

## STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 8, 2017

STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE		<u>STAFF</u>	
Jeffrey M. Scherer, Chairperson	PRESENT	Dr. Michael Chipps	Katelynn Piper
Arlan W. Kuehn	ABSENT	John Blaylock	Becky Mackling
Shirley J. Petsche	PRESENT	Lyle Kathol	
Carol A. Sibbel	PRESENT	Coleen Bressler	
Dr. Terry F. Nelson, ex-officio	PRESENT	Derek Bierman	
		Lori Vanderheiden	
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Don Oelsligle	ABSENT	Jim Curry	
Dirk A. Petersen	PRESENT	Diane Reikofski	
Julie A. Robinson	PRESENT	Kenny Wurdinger	
Gene L. Willers	PRESENT	Donna Neeman	

## **MINUTES**

- 1. The meeting was convened at 1:27 p.m. in Room 1108B of the College Welcome Center by Jeffrey M. Scherer, Chairperson of the Student Success Committee.
- 2. Recommended approval of the Minutes of the May 11, 2017 meeting.
- 3. Lori Vanderheiden, Dean of Enrollment Management, introduced Donna Neeman, Director of TRIO Support Services, who reported on services provided through the TRIO program. TRIO provides support and advocacy to students from disadvantaged backgrounds while they navigate college. 140 students are served by the program each academic year. To qualify for TRIO, a student must be a first-generation student, be low-income, or be a student with a disability.

Program objectives include increasing the persistence rate, good academic standing, graduation rate, and the graduate and transfer rate. Academic support services for TRIO students include a thorough needs assessment and development of a student success plan, participation in a structured first-year experience course, required academic advising, meeting with their TRIO advisor, access to a free laptop or other device, and academic transfer assistance.

Personal support for participants includes financial literacy education, student success workshops, assistance completing scholarships and transfer applications, career exploration, leadership conference, TRIO Club, and cultural events.

Current TRIO students, Katelynn Piper and Becky Mackling spoke of the value of the TRIO program and how the program has benefited them including preparing them for the rigors of college and how it will help them in their future classes, jobs, etc.

4. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.