



# Nebraska State College System

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## Executive Session - November 12, 2020

### Call to Order - Executive Session

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 AM by Chair Bieganski.

Motion was made by Trustee Engles and seconded by Trustee Terrell to go into executive session as authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1410 for the protection of the public interest, and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of persons who have not requested a public hearing for the purpose of holding a discussion limited to the following subjects:

- Litigation
- Personnel matters

Vice Chair Bieganski declared that the executive session would be strictly limited to a discussion of:

- Litigation
- Personnel matters

Motion was adopted. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, Zeiss, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt

The Board went into executive session at 8:03 AM. The Board reconvened the open meeting at 11:52 AM.

### Adjournment - Executive Session

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Bieganski at 11:52 AM.

## November 12, 2020

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 PM by Chairman Gary Bieganski

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Gary Bieganski	Chairman	Present	
John Chaney	Trustee	Present	
Bob Engles	Trustee	Present	
Carter Peterson	Trustee	Present	
Matt Blomstedt	Trustee	Absent	
Jess Zeiss	Vice Chairman	Absent	
Marjean Terrell	Trustee	Present	

#### Approval of Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Engles and seconded by Trustee Peterson to approve the Meeting Agenda. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomsted, and Jess Zeiss

#### Public Comments

No public comment.

President Marysz Rames provided a slide show outlining the Growing Together Cooperative Education Initiative in Northeast Nebraska in which Wayne State is participating. Students participating in Year 1 will be given a scholarship toward their Freshmen Fundamentals, Year 2 will be focused on Professional Development, Year 3 will focus on Professional Practice and Year 4 will focus on Cooperative Education. The 2020 cohort has 30 students participating. Wayne State is planning to have 45 students in the 2021 cohort and 75 students in the 2022 cohort.

Future plans for the initiative include growing new employer commitments, expanding the programs to Grand Island and Columbus and implementing the programs across the institution.

#### Minutes Approval

Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges - Regular Meeting - Sep 10, 2020 2:30 PM

A motion was made by Trustee Engles and seconded by Trustee Terrell to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2020 meeting. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

**1 Items for Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Trustee Engles and seconded by Trustee Terrell to approve the following consent agenda item(s). Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

1.1 Approve Authorization for Chancellor to Sign Managed Print/Copy Contract for Wayne State College (AP)

WSC was nearing the end of its current managed print/copy contract. It planned to enter into a new contract with a vendor based on previously competitively bid government or multi-state compact contracts. The contract was expected to be effective December 1, 2020. The cost was expected to exceed the level at which the College can approve the contract. Thus, Wayne State was seeking approval of the authorization for the Chancellor to sign the contract.

1.2 Approve Amendment to Dining Service Agreement for Peru State College (FFA)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic Peru State expected lower numbers of students on campus during the month of December. Accordingly, an amendment was needed to adjust the final 11.5 board billing days to accommodate the decreased meal plan participants.

1.3 Approve Authorization for Chancellor to Sign Construction Contract for Peru State College (FFA)

Peru State respectfully requested authorization for the Chancellor to sign a contract for renovations to the criminal justice department in T.J. Majors.

1.4 Approve LB 309 Allocations and Retrievals (FFA)

The following LB 309 allocations and retrievals were presented for Board approval per Board Policy 8065.

**Chadron State**

1. Retrieval of \$25,0993.70 for controls upgrade in Heating Plant		
Allocation Date/Amount	4/24/20	\$60,000.00
Retrieval Date/Amount	8//27/20	<u>25,093.70</u>
Estimated Project Cost		\$34,906.30

**Peru State**

1. Retrieval of \$28,209.00 for masonry repairs phase II for the Library		
Allocation Date/Amount	3/2/20	\$50,000.00

Retrieval Date/Amount	5/22/20	<u>28,209.00</u>
Estimated Project Cost		\$21,791.00

**Wayne State**

1. Allocation of \$500,000 for boiler upgrade in Energy Plant		
Allocation Date/Amount	9/21/20	\$500,000.00
College Contribution		<u>00.00</u>
Estimated Project Cost		\$500,000.00

**Items for Discussion and Action****2. Academic and Personnel****2.1 Approve Addition of Bachelor of Arts in Advanced English Studies Comprehensive Major for Chadron State College**

Per Board Policy 4200, which requires all new academic programs to be submitted to the Board for approval, Chadron State sought approval to add the following undergraduate comprehensive major beginning Fall 2021:

B.A. in Advanced English Studies

The document was amended to indicate that the second ENG 232 course number and name needed to be changed to ENG 232B History of American Literature From 1865.

A motion to approve the Addition of the Bachelor of Arts in Advanced English Studies Comprehensive Major for Chadron State College was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which was approved as amended. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, Terrell

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt, Jess Zeiss

**2.2 Approve Amendment to Agreement with City of Chadron for Pool for Chadron State College**

On May 4, 2015 Chadron State entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Use Agreement with the City of Chadron to cooperate with each other on the basis of mutual advantage to provide access to the indoor city pool, owned and operated by the City of Chadron.

The City had requested the Agreement be extended by five (5) years due to refinancing of the City Aquatic Center Bond and had submitted an Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Use Agreement for Access to the Indoor City Pool. In addition to the extension, two additional changes included:

- Assurances that CSC would retain reasonable rights to use the

pool after the Agreement was terminated in September 2030, whereby reasonable rights would be negotiated in good faith between the two parties; and

- Rental payment were aligning with fifty percent (50%) of the fixed operating expenditures for each year.

A motion to approve the Amendment to the Agreement with the City of Chadron for Use of the Pool for Chadron State College was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

2.3 Approve Agreement with Tecumseh State Correctional Institution for Peru State College to Establish the Correctional Workforce Development Pathway Program

Board Policy 7015 requires Board action for approval of all academic agreements. Peru State requested approval of an agreement with Tecumseh State Correctional Institution (TSCI) to establish the Corrections Workforce Development Pathway (CWDP) Program. This Program would create an educational pathway for PSC students who were interested in pursuing a career in Corrections, that combines course work offered by PSC and employment offered by TSCI. The purpose of the CWDP Program was to broadly prepare the next generation of leaders for the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services and was financially supported through Nebraska Legislative Bill 1008, which appropriated funding to the Department of Correctional Services that would be used to establish scholarships for students who apply for the Program.

A motion to approve the Agreement with the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution for Peru State College to Establish the Correctional Workforce Development Pathway Program was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

2.4 Approve Elimination of Bachelor of Science Degree for Art Comprehensive Major for Wayne State College

Per Board Policy 4200; Academic Program Approval and Review Process establishes that all changes in academic program offerings be submitted to the Board for approval. Wayne State would like to seek approval to eliminate the Bachelor of Science degree option for the Art comprehensive major beginning Fall 2021. During WSC's most recent application for reaccreditation by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), the accrediting body expressed concern with the similarities between the BA and BS degree options and recommended the elimination of the BS option if WSC could not meet NASAD's definition of a BS degree, which requires 78 credits in the

major area of study. To address this concern, WSC was proposing that the BS degree option be eliminated for the Art comprehensive major. The BA degree option would continue to be available to students to meet the need and demand for a baccalaureate level program in Art, while eliminating unnecessary duplication within the institution.

A motion to approve the Elimination of the Bachelor of Science Degree for Art Comprehensive Major for Wayne State College was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

### **3. Student Affairs, Marketing, and Enrollment**

#### **3.1 Approve Fall Enrollment Reports**

The 2020 Fall enrollment reports provide the Board an overall picture of student enrollments across the Nebraska State Colleges. The report was based upon census data as of October 15th and is consistent with IPEDS submissions and definitions to the extent possible. Total headcount for Fall 2020 had remained steady at 8,434, a slight increase of .33% from 2019. System-wide FTE for 2020 was 6,284, an increase of 1.2%. Retention had increased by 1% to 71% system-wide.

A motion to approve the Fall Enrollment Reports was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

### **4. Fiscal, Facilities and Audit**

#### **4.1 First and Final Round Approval of Revisions to Board Policy 6021; Income; Tuition, Online Rate and Dual Enrollment Rate**

Proposed changes to Board Policy 6021 included clarification on the effective dates for tuition rates approved annually, and a move to nonresident, undergraduate rates at \$1 above the resident, undergraduate rate system-wide. Those proposed policy changes would be effective for the Fall Term, 2021.

A motion to approve the First and Final Round Approval of Revisions to Board Policy 6021; Income; Tuition, Online Rate and Dual Enrollment Rate was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

4.2 First Round Approval of Revisions to Board Policy 8016; College Facility Master Plans

Currently, Board of Trustees Policy 8016; College Master Plans outlines the requirements for updating the Master Plans for each College every 10 years or less to generate biennial capital construction requests. Several revisions were being proposed to bring the policy in line with current practice, including elimination of the need for significant changes to the master plans to be approved by the Board. For more than two decades, there had been no significant revisions to the master plans at any of the three State Colleges. Additionally, any diversion from the master plan would be brought to the Board of Trustees for approval in the form of a program statement for a project not listed in the master plan, providing the Board with the opportunity to approve the project, or disapprove. The current policy framework results in a duplicative approval process by the Board of Trustees.

Second, the requirement to establish "Recommendations and priorities" had been removed to create greater flexibility for Colleges and the System to fund projects when the opportunities arise. For example, funding for the Chadron State College Stadium Replacement project was made possible through the passage of LB297 in 2016, despite the Math Science project being a significant priority for the College. The 2012 master plans for each College did not have priorities established.

Lastly, minor revisions had been made to ensure that the term "College Facility Master Plans" was used consistently throughout the policy.

A motion to approve the First Round Approval of Revisions to Board Policy 8016; College Facility Master Plans was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

4.3 Accept Revenue Bond Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020

BKD had completed the audit report for the revenue bond programs at the Colleges for years ending June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019. The 2002 Master Resolution called for an annual audit of the records of the revenue bond program to show revenues, fees, and earnings credited to the program, the financial condition at the close of the fiscal year,

transactions during the year, a review of insurance carried on the facilities and other buildings, the percentage of occupancy and use of the facilities, and any other matters deemed relevant and necessary to make the audit informative. The audit was a systemwide report, with information for each of the Colleges provided, along with system summaries. The audit incorporated information for the 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2016B, and 2016C supplemental issues. The audit was completed on an accrual basis.

Board Policy 9005 requires that CSC and WSC maintain a minimum 125% debt service coverage and PSC a 135% debt service coverage ratio. This policy helps make our bonds attractive in the market. Historical and current ratios are shown below.

#### DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE

	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
CSC	206%	191%	150%	146%	174%
PSC	320%	233%	290%	219%	221%
WSC	364%	235%	249%	280%	330%

BKD indicated that the financial statements “presented fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Nebraska State Colleges Student Fees and Facilities Revenue and Refunding Bond Program as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in financial position and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.”

A motion to Accept the Revenue Bond Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES**: Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

#### 4.4 Approve Cash Fund Adjustments

Cash Fund Adjustments are proposed as follows:

Adjustments to FY20 Cash Fund Carryforwards:

CSC \$1,440,467 decrease

PSC \$ 630,527 decrease

Adjustments to FY21 Cash Fund Base Amounts

PSC \$478,000 decrease

WSC \$ 24,000 increase (based on increased NOG Allocations for FY21)



A motion to approve the Cash Fund Adjustments was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

#### 4.5 Approve Revised Proposed Fee Schedules

Revised Fee Schedules were attached for board approval. There were two clarifications made in the attached schedules. First, as with tuition, approved fees follow the academic year and are effective for the fall term, spring term, and trailing summer term. This was now clearly stated at the top of each schedule. Second, all three fee schedules now clearly spelled out next to the mandatory fee when they were only applicable to the fall and spring terms. While Wayne State had it spelled out in the earlier fee schedules, Chadron State and Peru State had added that clarification in the attached schedules.

There were no proposed changes to the fee amounts in the item. The fees shown in the attached schedules were those that were approved by the Board at its January 14, 2020 meeting. You may recall that Chadron and Wayne both eliminated the 12-hour cap on their Event Fees, and both increased their event fees. CSC's increase was intended to support athletic travel and home event costs. WSC's increase was to assist with the addition of women's sports. PSC added a reinstatement fee in line with the new Student Account Guidelines and for consistency among the three colleges. And WSC increased its graduation fee due to increased costs in that area.

A motion to approve the Revised Proposed Fee Schedules was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES:** Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

#### 4.6 Accept Remission Fund Award Report by Category

In accordance with the Board's Tuition Remissions Policy 3400, the Colleges had provided the Chancellor with a summary of the remission funds awarded by category. Remissions are permitted by the state, allowing the NSCS to collect either no tuition or reduced tuition from students meeting specific criteria that are approved by the Board. The categories approved by the Board are spelled out in Board Policy 3400.

A motion to Accept the Remission Fund Award Report by Category was recommended by the committee to the full Board, which approved the motion. Voting **AYES**: Bieganski, Chaney, Engles, Peterson, and Terrell.

**ABSENT:** Matt Blomstedt and Jess Zeiss

## Items for Information and Discussion

### 5. Chancellor Informational Items

#### 5.1 2025 Strategic Plan Update

During the July 2020 Board of Trustees retreat, an update was provided on the most recent performance metrics data for the 2025 Strategic Plan. During the review of the updated document, it was noted that the Strategic Planning Task Force would need to be engaged to review and make recommendations on three indicators resulting from a change in peer institutions and an alternative approach to calculating unmet need for students. These three performance indicators included:

- Indicator 18 - Average Net Price Compared to Peers
- Indicator 19 - Average Spending Per Degree Compared to Peers
- Indicator 20 - Student Unmet Need

Two final indicators that had not previously been presented to the Board had recently become available once the Workforce Placement Dashboard was completed. This data tool made it possible to identify graduate placement over the past four years, reflecting both "Overall Placement" and "Placement in Key Workforce Areas." These two performance indicators have been identified as Indicator 10 and 11 in the Strategic Plan report:

- Indicator 10 - Overall Resident Undergraduate Completer Placement in Nebraska
- Indicator 11 - Resident Undergraduate Placement in Nebraska in Key Workforce Areas

The campus Task Force members joined a video conference on October 22, 2020, to review preliminary recommendations related to each of these five performance indicators. Following the session, Task Force members were provided an opportunity to submit feedback using an online survey tool to develop recommendations for the Board of Trustees to consider. These recommendations were discussed with the Board of Trustees during the meeting.

#### 5.2 Reports of Personnel Actions

The personnel action reports were provided to the Board for information

### 5.3 Waiver of ACT/SAT Scores for Board of Trustee Scholarships

COVID-19 and the corresponding cancellations of ACT and SAT testing dates continue to impact the ability of students to meet minimum requirements set forth in Board Policy 3400 for the Board of Trustees' Scholarships for the upcoming 2021-22 academic year. In Board Item 2.4 approved at the June 2020 Board meeting, the Board granted to the Chancellor the authority to temporarily grant exceptions to and/or temporarily waive Board of Trustees Policy requirements in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

Pursuant to that authority and in consultation with the Student Affairs, Marketing and Enrollment Committee, in order to ensure the ACT/SAT scores did not prevent otherwise qualified students from being eligible for the Board of Trustees' Scholarship for the 2021-22 academic year, the Chancellor was temporarily waiving the minimum ACT/SAT requirements set forth in Board Policy 3400. Rather, Colleges can draw upon student GPA and class rank (if available) to demonstrate academic excellence and potential consistent with the significance and expectations of the scholarship.

As more Colleges and Universities have moved away from reliance on standardized test scores for admission and scholarship decisions, we would also evaluate the value of the ACT/SAT scores as an eligibility criteria for system-level scholarships and other programs.

### 5.4 Student Trustee Selection Update

Jon Hansen, CSC; Jesse Dorman, PSC; and CD Douglas, WSC, would coordinate the 2021-22 Student Trustees' nomination process at their respective colleges. Nominations from each College were due to the System Office by Friday, November 13. Governor Ricketts receives a booklet of all nominations from the System Office from which he selects the new student trustees. Newly selected student trustees would be invited to join the current student trustees at the January and March 2021 Board Meetings.

### 5.5 Year End Revenue Bond Expenditure Reports

The year-end revenue bond expenditure reports from each of the Colleges were provided to the Board for information, as per Board Policy 6011 and the Master Resolution.

### 5.6 Grant Applications and Awards

Board Policy 6024 requires the reporting of grant awards and applications to the Board as information, if they do not have a state maintenance of effort or future fiscal responsibility.

In addition to providing the grant applications and awards for

information in their usual format, Chadron State and Wayne State had provided additional information about their TRIO programs. Peru State provided an update at the last Board Meeting on their Student Support Services grant award.

The TRIO programs are very important to the NSCS. All three Colleges have participated in the Student Support Services component of the TRIO Programs for many years. These Student Support Services grants have a stated goal to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants. In addition, Chadron State had also participated in the Upward Bound TRIO program for many years. The Upward Bound program's goal is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.

The applications and awards are as follows:

#### Chadron State Application

- CARES Act Child Care Stabilization Funds (NE Department of Health and Human Services) -- \$5,500

#### Chadron State Awards

- Child Development Center Child Care Subsidy (Child Care and Development Block Grant) -- \$16,000\* estimated on historical data - funds direct payment of child care based on attendance and need
- Child Development Center Child Food Service Program (U.S. Department of Agriculture) -- \$11,000\* estimated on historical data - funds direct payment based on meals served
- NASA Nebraska Space Grant Fellowship FY21 (National Aeronautics & Space Administration [NASA]) -- \$3,000
- TRiO - Student Support Services (U.S. Department of Education) -- \$285,864 year one (1) of five (5) year grant
- Update Key and Species Descriptions of Six Western Rangeland Grasshoppers with Emphasis on Oklahoma Distributions (Western Rangeland Grasshoppers Tool Update) Addendum (USDA-APHIS) -- \$11,070
- Upward Bound (U.S. Department of Education) -- \$297,597 year four (4) of five (5) year grant

#### Wayne State Application

- Wildcat Initiative for STEM Education (WISE) (National Science Foundation [NSF] Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program) - \$1,081,947 over 5 years (2021-2026)

#### Wayne State Award

- TRiO Student Support Services (U.S. Department of Education) -- \$366,726 year one (1)

## 5.7 Capital Construction Quarterly Reports

Pursuant to Board Policy 8050, Capital Construction Progress Reports from each of the Colleges are provided to the Board for information on a quarterly basis. For the Capital Construction Quarterly Reports for the period ending September 30, 2020, the following highlights are provided to the Board.

- At Chadron State College, the Math Science Addition & Renovation report indicated that the majority of design was completed. The construction bid drawings were complete and the Construction Manager was in the process of collecting subcontractor bids for the purpose of establishing the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). The ceremonial ground-breaking for the Math Science project occurred on September 11, 2020. With regard to the Stadium Complex project, the substantial completion for the Phase II Track Facility occurred on September 9, 2020, and the ribbon-cutting ceremony with donors and the CSC Track teams was celebrated the following day. Thus, the entire Stadium Complex project was one step closer to final completion.
- At Peru State College, the Delzell Renovation project had been kept open for the 309 Task Force funded Campus ADA Accessibility Improvements project, because Delzell site ADA improvements which were contracted at the same time as the 309 Task Force project, were still under construction. However, both ADA projects were anticipated to be completed this Fall term. The Theatre project (Performing Arts Center) was very near final completion and close-out.
- At Wayne State College, Benthack Hall Renovation had been under construction for two months (as of 9/30/2020), and great progress was occurring with interior demolition, the start of wall framing on first floor, and floor structural repairs. The Kirk Gardner Indoor Athletic Complex (formerly the Natatorium) was substantially complete on September 16, 2020, and became available for student athletes in sports such as football, baseball/softball, and volleyball to begin utilizing the facility for indoor practices. The Press Box Replacement project was very near final completion and close-out.

In total, seven interim reports from the three Colleges were provided in the attachments to include the following:

### Chadron

1. Math Science Addition & Renovation - Interim report
2. Stadium Facility - Interim report

### Peru

1. Delzell Renovation - Interim report

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2. Theater Renovation - Interim report

Wayne

1. Benthack Hall Renovation - Interim report
2. Indoor Athletic Complex Renovations - Interim report
3. Press Box Replacement - Interim report

5.8 Contracts and Change Orders for Information

Pursuant to Board Policies 7015, 7016, and 8065, the following contracts and change orders were provided to the Board for information. General highlights of noteworthy contracts and change orders for each College included:

- At Chadron State College, the information mainly consisted of smaller contracts and change orders for the Math Science project and the temporary labs and classrooms constructed for the project. There were also two modest change orders for the Andrews Hall Elevator project.
- At Peru State College, information included contracts for custodial services at \$250,560 and a 1% for Art contract for the Performing Arts Center at \$16,260.
- At Wayne State College, contracts information included a 309 Task Force funded steam system repairs project, a small carpet contract for the Press Box, a small materials testing contract for the Benthack project, and a consulting contract of \$56,935 for recruitment and retention analysis. The change orders information included relatively small items for the Indoor Athletic Complex, the Benthack Renovation, and the Parking Lot West of Fine Arts projects.
- All three Colleges had substantial contracts reported for COVID-19 testing, or for COVID-19 quarantine accommodations.

Individual contracts and change orders for each of the three Colleges and the System Office were included in the attachments and included the following:

Chadron State Contracts

- Math Science Addition and Renovation (inventory of radioactive materials on campus) -- \$5,885.26
- Athletics (COVID Testing) - not to exceed \$10,000
- Math Science Addition and Renovation (storage unit) not to exceed \$7,595
- Math Science Addition and Renovation (hazardous chemical removal) -- \$14,855

Chadron State Change Orders

- Math Science Addition and Renovation (#2-removal of 35 sinks) -- \$5,250
- Math Science Addition and Renovation (#1-credit for unused items) - (\$4,777)
- Andrews Elevator Replacement (#2-electrical control disconnect switch and shunt trip breaker box) -- \$6,306.53
- Andrews Elevator Replacement (#3-install sheet metal angles at elevator shaft shelves) -- \$828.80
- Brooks Hall Roof Replacement (#1-addition of gutter and downspout) -- \$940
- Math Science Addition and Renovation (#1-increase in chemicals to be removed) - not to exceed \$28,605

#### Peru State Contracts

- Campuswide (temporary custodial services) - not to exceed \$250,560
- Performing Arts Center (1% for Art) -- \$16,260
- Campuswide (COVID-19 testing - Chancellor approved due to COVID-19 per Board Policy 7010) - not to exceed \$200,000

#### Wayne State Contracts

- Campus Steam System near Berry Hall (steam piping repair and modifications) -- \$56,181
- Student Financial Services Office (financial aid consultant services) -- \$90 per hour
- Off Campus (room rental with Super 8 Motel for quarantined/self-isolated students due to COVID-19) -- \$87,210
- Campuswide (on-premise software/access to on-demand services and shared device license) -- \$64,152 (\$21,384/year for 3 years)
- Stadium Press Box (remove and salvage existing carpet in the elevator lobby, Room ST3\_3 and install carpet tiles with the WSC paw logo and carpet tiles for border and provide/install transitions and wall base) - not to exceed \$3,587
- Benthack Hall (provide quality control testing and engineering services for renovation project) -- \$5,173.50
- Campuswide (consulting services) -- \$59,535

#### Wayne State Change Orders

- Indoor Athletic Complex (#1-extend 2 curbs to accommodate the exhaust vent hoods; repair broken panel of concrete sidewalk, and repair damaged Freon link) -- \$192.81
- Campuswide (#1-one-time cost decrease for an additional institution having joined the KANE group) (\$1,593)
- Benthack Hall (#1-removal of approximately 3,720 square feet of carpet and tile from Rooms 140, 212 and 214) -- \$8,400
- Benthack Hall (#1-additional air clearances due to additional abatement services on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors, south wing) -- \$1,125
- Stadium Drive to Bebee Plaza (\$2-repair one step area on stair #2) -- \$280

- Campuswide (#1-trash service will change from M/W/F to 5 days a week [M-F]; monthly garbage rate will increase from \$6,045 to \$8,778; rate to add or remove trash tote from service will change from \$78 to \$130 per month; garbage and recycling services to the Criminal Justice Lab will be eliminated; and effective 9/1/2020, contractor will become Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc. due to buyout of Gill Hauling) -- \$29,412.55
- Parking Lot West of Peterson Fine Arts Building (#2-reroute existing underground storm drain piping, reconnect sprinkler lines and extend sprinkler line) -- \$5,742

Nebraska State College System Office

- Nebraska State College System Office (weekly cleaning services) -- \$220/month

5.9 Chancellor's Travel Report

The Chancellor's Travel Report was provided to the Board for information.

**6. College Informational Items**

**i. Remind Board Representatives of Fall 2020 Commencement (TBD)**

The following Board representatives would be participating at the Colleges commencement exercises:

Gary Bieganski at Chadron State College  
Bob Engles and John Chaney at Peru State College  
Carter 'Cap' Peterson at Wayne State College

**ii. Student Trustees' Reports**

CSC Student Trustee Klueber reported that the Diversity Club gave rise to diversity representation on the Student Senate and students and the Student Senate led an initiative to get students to vote in the election. The initiative was successful as the students became excited about expressing their voice in the election and voted. The students are continuing to work through the challenges of the issues presented this year.

Student Trustee Klueber also noted that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mini Big Event was held and 40 volunteers completed 10 jobs in the Chadron community. The Food Bank is also continuing to address food insecurities within the students at Chadron State College.

PSC Student Trustee Harms indicated that the saliva tests are going well and seem to be more successful as more students are taking the test than were previously. Residence Life is asking students to take the test and then entering them in a raffle for prizes.



Student Trustee Harms also noted that the ceiling had been redone and the walls repainted in the game room. The art students were painting a mural on one of the walls and it would be revealed on November 19. A racial reconciliation team has been established to develop a plan/process to facilitate a meaningful dialogue on race that will lead to continuous growth and development on campus. The team is made up of students, faculty, staff and alumni.

WSC Student Trustee Jaixen reported that students were preparing for finals as the semester was winding down. A first generation week was celebrated during the week of November 2 with coffee and hot chocolate for students, a Tik Tok challenge, a selfie challenge with Willy the Wildcat and yard signs posted with first generation facts.

Student Trustee Jaixen also indicated that the athletic teams were having scrimmages, the Counseling Center had conducted a destressed week and yoga activities for students, and tours for possible students were still being held every day. The Student Activity Board had done a great job providing to-go activities for the students.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 PM

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Paul Turman, Chancellor

The meeting notice and agenda have been published in the Omaha World Herald on November 4, 2020 and posted on the Omaha World Herald website. The meeting notice and agenda have also been distributed via email to members of the Board of Trustees, the presidents of the State Colleges, the Associated Press and selected Nebraska newspapers.