

Northwest Educational Council for Student Success

Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 11:30 a.m.
Virtual

As a matter of public health safety, the Board meeting will not be conducted in person in the typical manner and, instead, will be conducted remotely for the express purpose of protecting public health.

PRESENT: District 211: Dr. Lisa Small, Joshua Schumacher
 District 214: Dr. David Schuler, Dr. Lazaro Lopez
 District 220: Dr. Brian Harris, John Bruesch
 District 512: Dr. Avis Proctor, Dr. MaryAnn Janosik, Dr. Michelé Smith
 NECSS: Nancy Awdziejczyk, Cara Steetz

CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum
NECSS Board Chair, Dr. Harris, called the NECSS Board meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.
 - Roll Call: 211- present; 214 – present; 220 – present; 512 - present
2. Welcome and Recognition of New Leaders
Dr. Harris welcomed and Dr. Proctor introduced Dr. MaryAnn Janosik to the NECSS Board.

APPEARANCES

1. Public Comments
 - No public attendance or comments
2. Public Budget Hearing – FY21 NECSS Joint Agreement Budget
 - Motion to open the Public Budget Hearing for the FY21 NECSS Joint Agreement Budget
 - Motion by D. Schuler, second by L. Small
 - Roll Call: 214 – aye; 220 – aye; 512 – aye; 211 - aye;
 - Motion approved
3. Public Comments Regarding Proposed Joint Agreement Budget
No comments
 - Motion to close the Public Budget Hearing for the FY21 NECSS Joint Agreement Budget
 - Motion by L. Small, second by D. Schuler
 - Roll Call: 220 – aye; 512 – aye; 211 - aye; 214 – aye
 - Motion approved

CONSENT AGENDA

1. [Approval of Minutes of June 3, 2020 NECSS Board Meeting](#)
2. [Approval of Financial Transactions/FY20 NECSS Budget Report dated June 30, 2020](#)
 - Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
 - Motion by A. Proctor, second by D. Schuler
 - Roll Call: 512 – aye; 211 - aye; 214 – aye; 220 – aye
 - Motion approved

NEW BUSINESS

1. [FY21 NECSS Joint Agreement Budget](#)

- Motion to approve and sign the FY21 NECSS Joint Agreement Budget as presented.
- Motion by L. Small, second by A. Proctor
- Roll Call: 211 - aye; 214 – aye; 220 – aye; 512 – aye
- Motion approved

2. [FY21 NECSS Goals and Areas of Focus](#)

N. Awdziejczyk presented an overview of the Goals and Areas of Focus. The Goals fall under three umbrellas: Equity for All, Regional Alignment and Student Transitions.

Equity for All

Convene a taskforce to evaluate regional program data through a lens inclusive of diversity and racial equity to assess regional practices and policies on recruitment, placement, persistence and completion of sub-population groups. Dr. Schuler applauded the decision to make this the first goal. Dr. Proctor shared the intentional approach tied to programs and believes the new labor market data vendor recently secured, will aide in collection of this information. Dr. Harris shared the news regarding the hiring of the new Director of Equity position at Barrington. Dr. Proctor suggested NECSS assist in connecting regional leadership together, as part of this goal.

Regional Alignment

Endorsements to resume work in the areas of Advanced Manufacturing and Business, with a focus on Team Based Challenges and Work-Based Learning. N. Awdziejczyk explained the new Program Quality Review (PQR) tool being implemented and requested NECSS participate in the PQR Pilot program, which in doing so, will allow for feedback on the tool, while counting as our review for the two year cycle. Regional Dual Credit Agreement was paused pending update from Harper. Dr. Janosik is working with Dr. Bruce on a draft of the observation pilot.

Student Transitions

Form a taskforce to work to fulfill the deliverables as required by the Career and Technical Educator Pathway Grant.

- Motion to approve the FY21 NECSS Goals and Areas of Focus as presented.
- Motion by A. Proctor, second by L. Small
- Motion approved by voice vote

3. [Financial Update](#)

All funds for the 2019-2020 school year have been received. The new consolidated application opened last week and is due October 1st. The 2020 Ed Pathway Grant funding has not yet been received.

4. [Dual Credit Report](#)

Report documents the dual credit attainment for 2019-2020 school year with a 17% increase in hours earned.

5. [Harper Promise Program Update](#)

Dr. Smith shared the Harper Promise Program update which included data disaggregated

by districts. Dr. Proctor and the Harper Promise team are reviewing all aspects of the program, including funding - annual rate of return and dollars raised.

6. [COVID-19 NECSS Impact Report](#)

N. Awdziejczyk shared an update on the impact to NECSS workflow during these unprecedented times.

7. Possible Future Agenda Items

Dr. Harris suggested a mid-year update on the budget, to closely monitor spending as well as revenues received.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

- Motion by D. Schuler, second by A. Proctor
- Motion approved by voice vote
- Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 18, 2020
Township High School District 211
1750 S. Roselle Road
Palatine, IL 60067