

Executive Committee

CCSNH BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting of March 28, 2019

Present: Trustee Jeremy Hitchcock (Chair), Trustee Kathy Bogle Shields, Trustee Paul Holloway, Trustee Alison Stebbins (teleconference), Trustee Steve Rothenberg, Chancellor Ross Gittell

Regrets: Trustee Allen Damren

Others in Attendance: Trustee Tiffiney Poirier, Trustee Brian Baril, Trustee Edwin Smith, Shannon Reid (System Office), Jeanne Herrick (System Office), Charles Ansell (System Office)

Chair Hitchcock called the meeting to order at 10:05 am in the Chancellor's Office conference room, NHTI Campus, Concord, NH.

Legislative Update

Ms. Reid provided an update to the committee on the CCSNH operating and capital budgets. The present House version builds on Governor's proposed budget, which added \$5.5M to CCSNH level of state funding but also added responsibilities, including creation of LPN programs and creation of "Adult Finish Line" program, initially projected at \$2.7M total, bringing actual new support in the Governor's budget to under \$3M for the biennium. To this, the House is proposing to add funds needed to achieve tuition stability over the biennium - \$10.9M spread across FY20 and 21. The House is also proposing to include \$3.2M for IT Infrastructure expenditures. This had been in CCSNH's capital request and had been included by the Governor in HB2.

The House did not include funds for Industry Pathways lab and equipment upgrades. The CCSNH Industry Pathway lab funding request contained three main projects—Nashua CC electrical technology, Manchester CC science labs, and the WMCC diesel program.

The house finance committee will vote next Wednesday, before being sent to the full house the following week.

Discussion followed regarding progress on the Littleton proposal, which was not included in the Governor's budget, and the need for CCSNH to engage other industries, such as healthcare, as well as the auto dealer industry is engaged.

Committees

Committee members reviewed the first committee meetings under the new structure. Mr. Rothenberg led a discussion on structuring and empowering committees to address big questions and function more strategically. The new Student Success Committee will focus on identifying three strategic goals for the year and the KPIs needed to help guide the committee's work. Ms. Stebbins discussed the proposed



board finance policy change in threshold brought forward to the Finance Committee, the strategic focus areas for the committee this year, as well as a renewed focus on auxiliary expenses at the colleges. Ms. Shields discussed the plans for the Assets and Resources Committee to bring in subject matter experts to plan and structure the committee's work this year, as well as long-term strategy for human resources and facilities.

<u>Draft Board Meeting Agenda</u>

The committee reviewed the draft board meeting agenda and Mr. Hitchcock asked committee members to submit feedback by next Tuesday.

Bylaws and Committee Charters

Ms. Herrick discussed committee charter revisions with the committee. The full board will vote to approve the amended bylaws and committee charters at the April board meeting.

Annual Performance Review

Ms. Eckner will send the schedule of annual review items to the committee.

Other Business

Mr. Ansell provided a brief update to the committee on the Stratham property, and an update will be provided to the full board in executive session at the meeting on April 11, 2019.

Chancellor Gittell provided an update on the NHTI Presidential search. Finalists will visit campus for interviews mid-April, and a full update will be provided at April board meeting,

No further business was brought forward. The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 am.

Respectively Submitted,

Meghan Eckner
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