

WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

PROPOSED AGENDA

- A. Call to Order, Ms. Walworth
- B. Roll Call
- C. Community Comments
- D. Board Chairperson Comments
- 1) Copy of Nebraska Open Meetings Act  
Available at Back of Room
- E. Consent Calendar

1) Review Contents of Consent Calendar

- a) Agenda – February 21, 2018
- b) Excuse Absent Board Member(s)
- c) Minutes
  - 1) Regular Meeting, January 17, 2018 (Pages 1 – 1x)
- d) Claims: (Enclosure)
  - 1) WCCA Unrestricted Fund - \$2,191,507.00 (Pages 1 - 14)
  - 2) WCCA Restricted Fund - \$27,096.85 (Page 14)
  - 3) WCCA Federal Fund - \$2,053.48 (Pages 14 - 15)
  - 4) WCCA Agency Fund - \$5,670.66 (Page 15)
  - 5) WCCA Loan Fund - \$600.00 (Page 15)
  - 6) WCCA Plant Fund – \$222,979.50 (Page 15)
  - 7) WCCA Auxiliary Fund - \$228,096.36 (Pages 15 - 19)
- e) City Planning Commission Reports (Attachment)
- f) Reports and Proposals
  - 1) From the Students
  - 2) From the Faculty (Pages 2 – 2a)
  - 3) From the Administration
  - 4) From the Board

REGULAR MEETING

February 21, 2018

12:00 P.M. – LUNCH

John C. Bishop Dining Hall  
Pioneer Activity Center  
Western Nebraska Community College  
Scottsbluff Campus  
1409 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska

1:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

Conference Room  
Pioneer Activity Center  
Western Nebraska Community College  
Scottsbluff Campus  
1409 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska

E. Consent Calendar – Cont.

- 2) Approval of Consent Calendar
- 3) Consideration of Items Extracted from Consent Calendar

F. Board Member Mileage and/or Expense Reimbursement

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- 1) Merlyn L. Gramberg - \$216.00
- 2) F. Lynne Klemke - \$194.40
- 3) Kimberly A. Marcy - \$113.36
- 4) M. Thomas Perkins - \$1,324.45
- 5) Thomas L. Perlinski - \$54.00
- 6) R. J. Savely, Jr. - \$209.52
- 7) Richard G. Stickney - \$129.60

G. Bid Consent Calendar

- 1) Review Contents of Bid Consent Calendar
  - a) 18-SE-09 Website Design
- 2) Approval of Bid Consent Calendar
- 3) Consideration of Items Extracted From Bid Consent Calendar

(Pages 4 – 4b)

H. Personnel Consent Calendar

- 1) Review Contents of Personnel Consent Calendar
  - a) Resignation(s):
    - 1) Mr. Loren C. Bell, English Instructor

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H. Personnel Consent Calendar – Cont.

- 1) Review Contents of Personnel Consent Calendar – Cont.
  - b) Appointment(s):
    - 1) Ms. Jennifer Reisig, Executive Director, Western Nebraska Community College Foundation (Pages 5 – 5c)
    - 2) Mr. Loren C. Bell, Honorary Status of Professor Emeritus (Page 5d)
    - 3) Ms. Coral E. Richards, Honorary Status of Administrator Emeritus (Pages 5e – 5f)
    - 4) Dr. Charles V. Gregory, Dean of Instruction and Workforce Development (Handout)
- 2) Approval of Personnel Consent Calendar
- 3) Consideration of Items Extracted from Personnel Consent Calendar

I. Reports and Recommendations from Budget and Finance Committee – Mr. Perlinski, Mr. Knapper (Enclosure)

- 1) Approve Capital Construction Project
  - a) Powerline Indoor Training Facility

J. Western Community College Area Board of Governors – Ms. Walworth

- 1) Appointments to Standing Committees (Pages 6 – 6a)
- 2) Regular Board of Governors Meeting
  - a) April 18, 2018. 1:00 p.m., Sidney Campus, Sidney, NE
  - b) October 17, 2018, 1:00 p.m., Alliance Campus, Alliance, NE
- 3) Temporary Suspension of Board Policy 235.0100.17 – Naming of College Facilities (Pages 7 – 7c)
  - a) Consider Naming of WCCA Boardroom
- 4) Appointment of WCCA Board Secretary

K. Monitoring Reports

- 1) Western Nebraska Community College Foundation – Ms. Wiebe (Enclosure)
  - a) Report from Executive Director

K. Monitoring Reports – Cont.

- 2) WNCC Enrollment – Mr. Hovey
  - a) Final Fall Semester 2017 (Handout)
  - b) Ten Day Report, Spring Semester 2018 (Handout)
- 3) Wyoming Air National Guard Colorado/Nebraska College Tour – Mr. Coley (Handout)
  - a) Recruitment and Training Opportunities
    - 1) Sidney Campus, April 17, 2018
    - 2) Scottsbluff Campus, April 18, 2018
- 4) 2018 Legislative Update – Dr. Holcomb (Pages 8 – 8a)
  - a) Testimony Before The Appropriations Committee
- 5) Legal Issuances Involving Governance – Mr. Kelly
- 6) Nebraska Community College Association – Dr. Gramberg, Dr. Perkins, Mr. Stickney
  - a) First Quarter Meeting
    - 1) January 19, 2018, Lincoln, NE
  - b) State Legislative Day
    - 1) February 1, 2018, Lincoln, NE
- 7) Western Nebraska Community College Foundation – Ms. Anderson (Handout)
- 8) Association of Community College Trustees – Ms. Klemke, Dr. Perkins, Mr. Perlinski
  - a) 2018 National Legislative Summit
    - 1) February 11-14, 2018
    - 2) Washington, D.C.

L. Western Nebraska Community College/Scottsbluff Campus Main Building Addition and Renovation – Dr. Holcomb

- 1) Update – Re: Addition/Renovation Project

M. Board Member Comments

N. President's Comments

O. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 1) Association of Community College Trustees
  - a) 2018 ACCT Leadership Congress
    - 1) October 24 – 27, 2018
    - 2) Marriott Marquis, Times Square
    - 3) New York City, New York
- 2) Nebraska Community College Association – Cont.
  - a) 2018 Regular Meetings
    - 1) Second Quarter Meeting
      - A) May 7, 2018
      - B) Lincoln, NE
    - 2) Third Quarter Meeting
      - A) August 6, 2018
      - B) Lincoln, NE
    - 3) Fourth Quarter Meeting (Annual Meeting)
      - A) November 5 and 6, 2018
      - B) Norfolk, NE

P. Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, March 21, 2018, 1:00 p.m., Conference Room, Pioneer Activity Center, Western Nebraska Community College, Scottsbluff Campus, 1409 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Q. Adjournment

MISSION STATEMENT:

*“WNCC assures learning opportunities for all – enriching lives, invigorating communities, creating futures”*

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA  
FEBRUARY 21, 2018**

**TIME AND PLACE**

**ROLL CALL**

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

A regular meeting of the Western Community College Area Board of Governors was held at 1:03 p.m., on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, in the Conference Room, Pioneer Activity Center, Western Nebraska Community College, located at 1409 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, in the City of Scottsbluff, in the County of Scotts Bluff, in the State of Nebraska, as per the publicized notice in the Star-Herald, on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, with the following members present: Karen S. Anderson, Merlyn L. Gramberg, Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales, F. Lynne Klemke, William M. Packard, Thomas L. Perlinski, R. J. Savely, Jr., Richard G. Stickney, and Julianne K. Walworth, Chairperson. Absent: Kimberly A. Marcy, and M. Thomas Perkins. Student Representatives present: Isaac Sam, Scottsbluff Campus, Theresa Barnhart, Sidney Campus; Faculty Representatives present: Lorin R. King, Scottsbluff Campus. College staff present: Todd R. Holcomb, William D. Knapper, Coral E. Richards, Kathy A. Ault, Kimberly J. Dale, Evangeline K. Grant, Norman L. Coley, Ellen M. Dillon, Rosie Hernandez, Robyn R. lossi, Allison Judy, Jennifer Sibal, Kristin Wiebe. College Attorney present: Philip M. Kelly. A current agenda was available in the College President's Office and the Board Secretary's office on the Scottsbluff Campus at the time of the publicized notice.

**QUORUM**

Ms. Walworth declared a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

Ms. Walworth asked for comments from the community. Pursuant to Board Policy #830.1000.79, Ms. Walworth reminded community members who wish to make comments that each speaker will be limited to a five minute presentation. There were no community comments.

**BOARD CHAIRPERSON  
COMMENTS**

Ms. Walworth announced that for public information there is a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act available on the table at the back of the room.

Ms. Walworth reported Ms. Marcy and Dr. Perkins notified Ms. Richards that they would be unable to attend the meeting today because of Personal Health.

Ms. Walworth informed Board members of the upcoming Board retreat in May, and asked that any topics they wish to discuss be sent to her as soon as possible.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Review Contents

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Consent Calendar which include the following item(s)

- 1) Agenda, February 21, 2018
- 2) Excuse Absent Board Member(s) – Marcy, Perkins
- 3) Minutes
  - a. Regular Meeting, January 17, 2018
- 4) Claims
  - a. WCCA Unrestricted Fund - \$2,191,507.00
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- 5) City Planning Commission Reports – (Attachment A)
- 6) Reports and Proposals
  - a. From the Students
  - b. From the Faculty – (Attachment B-B1)
  - c. From the Administration
  - d. From the Board

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. There were none.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Approval

Dr. Gramberg moved the Consent Calendar be approved as presented. Seconded by Guzman-Gonzales. The vote was, Yes: Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Consider Items Extracted

There were no items extracted from the Consent Calendar.

**BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE  
AND/OR EXPENSE  
REIMBURSEMENT**  
Merlyn L. Gramberg

Mr. Stickney moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Dr. Gramberg in the amount of \$216.00. Seconded by Ms. Anderson. The vote was, Yes: Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Walworth. No: None. Abstain: Dr. Gramberg. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

F. Lynne Klemke

Ms. Guzman-Gonzales moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Ms. Klemke in the amount of \$194.40. Seconded by Mr. Perlinski. The vote was, Yes: Guzman-Gonzales, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Walworth. No: None. Abstain: Klemke. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**BOARD MEMBER MILEAGE  
AND/OR EXPENSE  
REIMBURSEMENT  
Cont.**

Kimberly A. Marcy

Ms. Anderson moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Ms. Marcy in the amount of \$113.36. Seconded by Mr. Savely. The vote was, Yes: Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Walworth, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

M. Thomas Perkins

Dr. Gramberg moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Dr. Perkins in the amount of \$1,324.45. Seconded by Ms. Guzman-Gonzales. The vote was, Yes: Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

Thomas L Perlinski

Ms. Klemke moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Mr. Perlinski in the amount of \$54.00. Seconded by Dr. Packard. The vote was, Yes: Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Walworth. No: None. Abstain: Perlinski. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

R.J. Savely, Jr

Dr. Gramberg moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Mr. Savely in the amount of \$209.52. Seconded by Mr. Perlinski. The vote was, Yes: Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Walworth. No: None. Abstain: Savely. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

Richard G. Stickney

Dr. Gramberg moved the Board approve the mileage expense of Mr. Stickney in the amount of \$129.60. Seconded by Mr. Savely. The vote was, Yes: Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Walworth. No: None. Abstain: Stickney. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**BID CONSENT CALENDAR  
Review Contents**

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Bid Consent Calendar which include the following bid(s):

- 1) #18-SE-09-WNCC Web Design

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Bid Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. Mr. Perlinski requested bid #18-SE-09-WNCC Web Design be extracted.

**BID CONSENT CALENDAR  
Approval**

All items were extracted from the Bid Consent Calendar.

**BID CONSENT CALENDAR  
Consider Items Extracted**

Mr. Perlinski requested bid #18-SE-09-WNCC Web Design be extracted to allow the Board to consider the best bid. He asked Mr. Knapper to explain this item.



**BID CONSENT CALENDAR**  
 Consider Items Extracted  
 Cont.

Mr. Knapper reported the College solicited proposals nationally for firms interested in assisting the College in a re-design and refresh of the College’s website. Proposals were received from nine firms. However, staff has decided to proceed with Option B, iFactory. Currently, the website is not in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and iFactory would correct this issue and other issues on the website. In addition, iFactory is user-friendly and easier to navigate than the current website. iFactory will build a federally compliant website and provide creativity. Their timeline for completion fits into the scope of the College’s project timeline, which is an estimated six to nine months. iFactory has experience with higher education clients and has helped successfully launched over five hundred websites, many of who are community colleges. iFactory is Omni Updates’ largest partner (the College’s content management system provider), which will allow for a more seamless workflow and collaboration. They have a strong focus on accessibility. They provide an accessibility training guide, and partner with Perkins School for the Blind and Hellen Keller Services to make sure they stay current with accessibility best practices. iFactory has experience working with colleges who are simultaneously going through a redesign and Higher Learning Commission reaccreditation.

<b>Company</b>	<b>City/State</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
iFactory	Providence, RI	<b>\$ 56,268.00</b> <b>(Option A)</b>
Gravity Switch	Hadley, MA	<b>\$ 79,710.00</b>
Mittera Intelligent Creativity	Ankeny, IA	<b>\$118,900.00</b>
Stamats Communications	Cedar Rapids, IA	<b>\$103,500.00</b>
Aeronet Communications, Corp.	Portland, OR	<b>\$105,280.00</b>
Ruffalo Noel Levitz	Cedar Rapids, IA	<b>\$111,300.00</b>
iFactory	Providence, RI	<b>\$100,000.00</b> <b>(Option B)</b>
Odgen Costa Creative Group	Pleasanton, CA	<b>\$135,850.00 to</b> <b>\$239,325.00</b>
idFive	Baltimore, MD	<b>\$143,400.00</b>
Converge Consulting	Philadelphia, PA	<b>\$162,500.00</b>
VisionPoint Media, Inc. d/b/a VisionPoint Marketing	Raleigh, NC	<b>\$200,688.75</b>

**BID CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Consider Items Extracted  
Cont.

Mr. Stickney moved the best value bid submitted by iFactory for Option B in the amount of \$100,000.00 be approved. Seconded by Dr. Packard. The vote was, Yes: Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Review Contents

Ms. Walworth reviewed the contents of the Personnel Consent Calendar which include the following resignation(s) and appointment(s):

- 1) Resignation(s):
  - a. Mr. Loren C. Bell, English Instructor, effective February 28, 2018.
- 2) Appointment(s):
  - a. Ms. Jennifer Reising, Executive Director, Western Nebraska Community College Foundation, effective March 12, 2018 through June 30, 2018 salary to be prorated from an annual salary of \$75,066.
  - b. Mr. Loren C. Bell, Honorary Status of Professor Emeritus.
  - c. Ms. Coral E. Richards, Honorary Status of Administrator Emeritus.
  - d. Dr. Charles V. Gregory, Dean of Instruction and Workforce Development, effective March 29, 2018 through June 30, 2018 salary to be prorated from an annual salary is \$25,757.60.

Ms. Walworth inquired if there were any item(s) on the Personnel Consent Calendar which any Board member wished to have extracted for separate consideration. There were none.

**PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Approval

Mr. Stickney moved the Personnel Consent Calendar be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Packard. The vote was, Yes: Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL CONSENT CALENDAR**  
Consider Items Extracted

There were no items extracted from the Personnel Consent Calendar.

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE**  
Approval Capital  
Construction Project

Mr. Perlinski reported this is part of the Comprehensive Campaign for the Powerline Indoor Training Facility, and asked Mr. Knapper to further explain. Mr. Knapper referred the Board to a handout containing photographs of the proposed location for the new Powerline Indoor Arena facility. The

**REPORTS AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM BOARD POLICY  
COMMITTEE**

Approval Capital  
Construction Project  
Cont.

purpose of this project is to facilitate Powerline training during inclement weather.

In response to a Board questions, Mr. Knapper reported this facility will not be limited only to Powerline Training, but to other trainings such as trenching and other projects.

Mr. Perlinski moved pursuant to Section 85-1519, the Powerline Indoor Training Facility Capital Construction Project be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Stickney. The vote was, Yes: Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

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Appointments to  
Standing Committees

Ms. Walworth referred Board members to the mailed packet which includes a listing of the appointments she has made to the Standing Committees for 2018, and a copy of the Board Policy #825.0000.13, which explains the function of each committee. Ms. Walworth remarked that pursuant to Board Policy 825.0100.00, the appointments will become effective with the first Regular meeting in March. She commented the numbers in parentheses indicate the year a Board member was first appointed to a specific committee. Ms. Walworth asked for comments or questions from the Board members.

In response to a Board question, Ms. Walworth stated Standing Committees are from March to March due to the Re-organization of the Board taking place in January.

Ms. Walworth stated Board Policy #825.0100.00 stipulates the committee appointments shall be approved by the Board. She asked for a motion to approve the 2018 Standing Committee appointments.

Mr. Savely moved the Board approve the 2018 Standing Committee appointments as follows:

Audit Committee

Karen S. Anderson (17)  
Merlyn L. Gramberg (18)  
Kimberly A. Marcy (18)  
R.J. Savely, Jr (16)  
William D. Knapper, ex-officio

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Appointments to  
Standing Committees  
Cont.

Budget and Finance Committee

Karen S. Anderson (18)  
Thomas L. Perlinski (16)  
R.J. Savely, Jr. (17)  
Richard G. Stickney (18)  
William D. Knapper, ex-officio

Executive Council

F. Lynne Klemke (13)  
Kimberly A. Marcy (15)  
M. Thomas Perkins (15)  
Richard G. Stickney (17)  
Julienne K. Walworth (15)  
Todd R. Holcomb, ex-officio

Risk Management Committee

Merlyn L. Gramberg (17)  
F. Lynne Klemke (18)  
Kimberly A. Marcy (16)  
Richard G. Stickney (16)  
William D. Knapper, ex-officio

Board Policy Committee

Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales (17)  
William M. Packard (16)  
M. Thomas Perkins (16)  
Thomas L. Perlinski (18)  
Kathy Ault, ex-officio

Student Success Committee

Merlyn L. Gramberg (15)  
Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales (17)  
William M. Packard (18)  
R.J. Savely, Jr. (17)  
Kimberly J. Kuster Dale, ex-officio

Human Resources Committee

Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales (18)  
F. Lynne Klemke (16)  
William M. Packard (16)  
Thomas L. Perlinski (17)  
Kathy Ault, ex-officio

Representatives to Nebraska Community College Association

Merlyn L. Gramberg (00)  
M. Thomas Perkins (00)  
Karen S. Anderson (18) - Alternate

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Appointments to  
Standing Committees  
Cont.

Representatives to Western Nebraska Community College  
Foundation Board

Karen S. Anderson (17)  
Richard G. Stickney (13)

Representatives to WNCC/ESU#13 Technology Center Board  
of Directors

F. Lynne Klemke (18)  
Thomas L. Perlinski (16)  
Julienne K. Walworth (16)

Seconded by Ms. Klemke. The vote was, Yes: Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

Regular Board of  
Governors Meeting

Ms. Walworth reported the Board's Regular April meeting have been on the Sidney Campus and the Regular October meeting on the Alliance Campus. She remarked Board Policy #830.0100.98 - Regular Meetings states that "Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m., in the Boardroom on the Scottsbluff Campus. The Board can change the meeting time and/or location for the forthcoming meeting(s) by a majority of those members present..." Ms. Walworth commented the established dates (third Wednesday) for the meetings are: Wednesday, April 18, 2018, and Wednesday, October 17, 2018. Ms. Walworth asked for a motion to change the location of the Regular April and October meetings.

Ms. Klemke moved the Board change the location of the Regular April 2018 Board of Governors meeting to the Sidney Campus. She further moved the Board change the location of the Regular 2018 October Board of Governors meeting to the Alliance Campus. Seconded by Ms. Anderson. The vote was, Yes: Packard, Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Walworth, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

Temporary Suspension of  
Board Policy 235.0100.1 –  
Naming of College  
Facilities

Ms. Walworth reported that Board Policy #235.0100.17, Naming of College Facilities, stipulates facilities should not be named for individuals currently employed by the College or elected officials. Unless expressly waived by the Board of Governors, a Facility shall not be named for an individual not otherwise qualifying under the exceptions in subsections 1(a) and/or 1(b)(i) earlier than five years following the departure, death, or retirement of the person from the College or the end of the

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Temporary Suspension of  
Board Policy 235.0100.1 –  
Naming of College  
Facilities  
Cont.

elected official's service in office (Section 2.c of the Naming of College Facilities Board Policy).

Furthermore, Ms. Walworth reported the Board desires to acknowledge Ms. Coral E. Richards' contributions and service to the Board of Governors and the development of Western Nebraska Community College by naming the new Western Nebraska Community College Boardroom the "Coral E. Richards Boardroom."

Dr. Packard moved, pursuant to Board Policy #830.1600.79, the Board temporarily suspend Board Policy #235.0100.17, Naming of College Facilities for the purpose of naming the WCCA Boardroom the Coral E. Richards Boardroom. Seconded by Mr. Savely. The vote was, Yes: Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

Consider Naming of  
WCCA Boardroom

Ms. Klemke read the following Resolution be considered:

**WHEREAS**, Coral E. Richards was appointed Secretary of the College's first governing Board (Scotts Bluff College Board) at the organizational meeting held in June 1967 and has subsequently been re-appointed for more than fifty years making her the first and only Secretary of the College's governing Board (now the Western Community College Area Board of Governors); and,

**WHEREAS**, Coral E. Richards, has served with integrity and excellence as the liaison between the Board members, the College community and the College constituency, and is retiring effective February 28, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Western Community College Area Board of Governors desires to acknowledge Coral E. Richards' contributions and service to the Board of Governors and the development of Western Nebraska Community College;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA** that the newly remodeled Boardroom be named the "Coral E. Richards Boardroom" in recognition of her loyalty, dedication and exemplary commitment to the Board of Governors.

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Consider Naming of  
WCCA Boardroom  
Cont.

Ms. Anderson moved the Board adopt the Resolution to name the newly remodeled Boardroom the "Coral E. Richards Boardroom." Seconded by Mr. Perlinski. The vote was, Yes: Perlinski, Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried. (A copy of the signed Resolution is attached in the official Minute Book).

Appointment of Western  
Community College Area  
Board Secretary

Ms. Klemke moved the Board appoint Ms. Rosie Hernandez as Secretary of the Western Community College Area Board of Governors. Seconded by Mr. Perlinski. The vote was, Yes: Savely, Stickney, Anderson, Gramberg, Guzman-Gonzales, Klemke, Packard, Perlinski, Walworth. No: None. Absent: Marcy, Perkins. Motion carried.

**MONITORING REPORTS**

Western Nebraska  
Community College  
Foundation

Ms. Kristin Wiebe, Interim Executive Director of the WNCC Foundation, initiated her presentation to the Board pertaining to the Foundation Report by first thanking Board Secretary, Ms. Richards, for her commitment to the College. Ms. Wiebe stated she honors the institutional knowledge Ms. Richards brings with her.

Ms. Wiebe thanked the Board for the opportunity to share detailed information regarding the Foundation's Strategic Plan, as well as the WNCC Works: Expanding the Possibilities Campaign. She explained each of the Strategic Goals, which are as follows: (1) Engage and recognize our existing donors in order to strengthen their giving relationship and support of the College; (2) Strengthen alumni affinity with Western Nebraska Community College through volunteer and engagement opportunities; (3) Provide ongoing stability to the College by expanding the annual donor base to enhance programs, scholarship funds, and facilities; (4) Support future generations of students at the College by employing the full complement of giving strategies; and, (5) Engage the College Foundation Board ownership and leadership for positioning of future targeted campaigns.

Ms. Wiebe demonstrated the progress from the previous plan to the current one. She stated the Foundation primarily focuses on stewardship, and the alumni play a big part in shaping what the College becomes, and the meaning of the College in the community. Ms. Wiebe also stated it's very important to keep donors engaged and updated on projects. A great example of this is the Powerline Arena. This program is eleven years old, and its growth and expansion is attributable to industry partners.

**MONITORING REPORTS**

Western Nebraska  
Community College  
Foundation  
Cont.

Ms. Wiebe explained the Western Community College Area Board is a large part of the planning of the Foundation Office, and joint discussions are very important.

Ms. Wiebe asked for questions. There were none.

Ms. Walworth thanked Ms. Wiebe for her report.

WNCC Enrollment  
Final Fall Semester 2017

Mr. Hovey referred Board members to the handout materials which include the Final Enrollment Report for the 2017 Fall Semester. He remarked this report reflects the changes from the Ten-Day Report.

Mr. Hovey reported the increase was mostly reflected in the BCE count, and although the total full-and part- time numbers have decreased somewhat from last spring, there are elements of improvement such as the increase in both full- and part- time enrollment in Alliance, and online part-time enrollment is the highest it has been in six years.

Ten-Day Report  
Spring Semester 2018

Mr. Hovey again referred Board members to the handout materials which include the Ten Day Enrollment Report for the 2018 Spring Semester.

Mr. Hovey reported it is anticipated the downward trend in Scottsbluff full-time enrollment can be reversed by capturing a higher matriculation rate of College Now students in years ahead.

Mr. Hovey reported the number of first-time degree-seeking students is nearly identical to last year's number, but the full-time and part-time makeup has reversed (42/29 and 25/45). The number of readmitted students (those who have been absent for one year or more) has seen a downward trend, presumably due to competing employment opportunities for past students.

Mr. Hovey reported the percent of full-time students retained from fall semester improved over last year (from 79.8% to 82.1%), while part-time retention dropped from 60.6 to 56.3 percent. Alliance retained 100 percent of their first-time and transfer students who were full-time in the fall (23).

Mr. Hovey reported the male to female ratios for full- and part-time students remain constant. The average age of part-time students has dropped from 27 to 24.2 due to the increase in College Now Students.



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Mr. Hovey reported the percentage of students that are Hispanic is now at 22 percent. The number of International Students dropped from 89 to 76. The number of College Now Students less than 18 years of age has doubled in the last three years (from 158 to 314).

Mr. Hovey also reported the credit and noncredit full-time employee enrollment at the end of the semester is projected to be lower than last year. Trying to arrive at a good estimate for non-credit full-time employees is particularly challenging at present.

Mr. Hovey reported that compared to last spring, full-time out-of-state enrolment dropped from 120 to 93, and for Cheyenne County, it dropped from 61 to 44. Full-time enrollment for Scottsbluff County, however, increased from 289 to 328.

Mr. Hovey reported there is a marked shift in the composition of academic versus technical students at the College. The distribution last year was 758/323 (70 percent and 30 percent). This year it is 650/383 (63 percent and 38 percent). The number of general education students has declined significantly over the last several years.

In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Hovey stated from part-time students, the report only reflects those who are degree-seeking students. Additionally, Dr. Holcomb informed the Board out-of-state enrollment has decreased since last year from 120 to 93.

Mr. Hovey asked for questions. There were none.

Ms. Walworth thanked Mr. Hovey for his report. A copy of this report is available for public inspection in the College President's office and the Board Secretary's office at Western Nebraska Community College, Scottsbluff Campus.

Wyoming Air National  
Guard Colorado /  
Nebraska College Tour

Mr. Norman Coley, Interim Dean of Students announced a tour brought by the Wyoming Air National Guard Colorado/ Nebraska, on April 16 - 19. He stated the tour will encompass Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colorado on April 16; the College Campus in Sidney, Nebraska on April 17; the College Campus in Scottsbluff, Nebraska on April 18; and, Chadron State College Chadron Nebraska on April 19. Staff Sergeant Brandon Rodriguez of the National Air Guard is proposing to station three to four heavy equipment vehicles at each of the campus sites specified above.

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Wyoming Air National Guard Colorado / Nebraska College Tour Cont.

In light of the recent high school shooting in Parkland, Florida, through Mr. Coley wanted to make the community and the staff aware one of the vehicles stationed at Chadron State will be a Humvee with a weapon mounted on the top. There will be no ammunition in the weapon. Mr. Coley requested the intent of the tour to review the alignment of academic programs in the College, as well as initiate recruiting efforts for with the National Guard, be respected.

In response to a Board question, Dr. Holcomb assured the Board this event will not affect the Board's concealed weapon policy, but, it is important for the Board to be aware of this activity.

Mr. Coley asked for questions. There were none.

Ms. Walworth thanked Mr. Coley for his report.

**RECESS**

Ms. Walworth declared a fifteen minute recess at 2:18 p.m.

**OPEN MEETING**

Ms. Walworth declared the Open meeting in session at 2:39 p.m.

2018 Legislative Update

Dr. Holcomb referred Board members to the document containing his testimony to the Appropriations Committee on February 5, 2018, concerning the two percent cut and the three percent cut proposed by Governor Ricketts.

Dr. Holcomb reported Senator Stinner asked him to testify before the Appropriations Committee in order to communicate the negative impact these proposed cuts would have on a community college, as well as the difficulties a community college would face as a result of this.

In response to a question from the Board, Dr. Holcomb stated as representatives of the College, the Board will have to consider further discussions on how to approach the proposed cuts as they work closely with the Nebraska Community College Association.

A copy of Dr. Holcomb's testimony to the Appropriations Committee is available in the official minute book.

Legal Issuances Involving Governance

Mr. Phillip Kelly, College Attorney, reported on the legal issuances involving governance. He reminded Board Members of their responsibilities concerning the hiring of the President and other officers, as well as the importance of remaining uninvolved in the day-to-day operations of the College. The Board serves as an Appeal Review Board in the event a faculty member files an appeal. If the Board becomes directly

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Legal Issuances Involving  
Governance  
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involved in the day-to-day operations, this becomes a conflict of interest.

Mr. Kelly reminded the Board they have no legal authority to act alone, only as a Board. If a Board member would comment on an individual issue, the Board member would then become a witness and would possibly be placed on the witness list and asked to testify.

In the event someone approaches a Board member to complain about the College, it is Mr. Kelly's recommendation the board member refer them to the College President. It would then be the President's responsibility to determine how the complaint should be handled.

In addition, Mr. Kelly reminded the Board Nebraska Statutes prohibits them from communicating with each other regarding matters of College business that would come before the Board. When it comes to emails, he asks that they do not use reply all, as this would be considered having a meeting. Every email about the College is considered public and is required to be kept and preserved. He also reminded them to avoid discussing issues that could be the subject of litigation.

When it comes to social media, Mr. Kelly reminded the Board of the obligation they must take in reporting things that may be questionable. He recommended not adding people to their friends list that are College employees or students in order to avoid this.

Mr. Kelly asked for questions. There were none.

Ms. Walworth thanked Mr. Kelly for his report.

Nebraska Community  
College Association  
First Quarter Meeting

Dr. Gramberg reported the Nebraska Community College Association met on January 19, 2018, to review all the bills that would be considered affecting community colleges. That information was mailed out to all Board members.

Dr. Holcomb reported he will be forwarding emails from Greg Adams, Executive Director for the Nebraska Community College Association, to the Board.

State Legislative Day

Mr. Stickney reported he, Dr. Perkins, Dr. Dale, and Dr. Holcomb attended the Nebraska Community College Association State Legislative Day held on February 1, 2018. They met with Senators Erdman, Brewer and Stinner to discuss community

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college issues. It was nice to have community college Board members/constituents at the capital all at once.

Dr. Holcomb reported a total of ten representatives from both Mid-Plains and Western Nebraska Community College attended the meetings. Senator Brewer is inclined to work with community colleges as one of his initiatives is criminal rehabilitation. He's very interested in rehab incarcerated individuals and he has some need for community colleges.

WNCC Foundation

Ms. Anderson reported she met with Foundation Interim Executive Director, Ms. Kristin Wiebe, who explained to her the Foundation's processes and procedures. Ms. Anderson reported the Foundation is constantly working with alumni, as well as bringing awareness of their role during the Foundation Awareness Week and the Annual Monument Marathon. Ms. Anderson stated she was very impressed with the tax project put together by the Foundation. She stated maintaining a good relationship with the Foundation is very important.

Ms. Anderson reported when the Foundation raises money, donors are asked where they want the money allocated; currently, the scholarship account is the highest funded initiative. Ms. Anderson reported her findings pertaining to challenges in communicating with donors to keep them informed of current projects and achievements.

Ms. Anderson stated one of the things discussed during the last Foundation Board meeting was Emergency Funds for students. These funds are small amounts of money that is given to students in case of an emergency.

Association of  
Community College  
Trustees

Ms. Klemke reported she, Dr. Perkins, and Mr. Perlinski, attended the 2018 Legislative Summit on February 11 – 14, 2018, in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Klemke reported the structure of the Summit included the following topics: 1) Reauthorize the High Education Act; 2) Invest in Education and Workforce Development; 3) Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (Dream Act); and, 4) Reauthorize the Perkins Career and Technical Education Act. These topics are the 2018 Community College Federal Legislative Priorities of the American Association of Community Colleges.

Ms. Klemke reported state aid could be cut again due to risk management, however, workforce development seems to continue with popular support.

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Community College  
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Ms. Klemke thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend this conference.

Mr. Perlinski reported the Summit gave him to opportunity to witness how community colleges interact with legislators. It encourages individuals to contact law makers and share their story.

Mr. Perlinski referred Board members to the handout materials which include the Community College Facts for 2018, and a document explaining the Community College National Legislative Summit Risk Sharing and Return of Title IV Funds.

Mr. Perlinski reported the current return of Title IV policy is when a student ceases attendance prior to the end of the period of enrollment, the school is required to determine the Title IV aid a student has earned as of the date the student ceased attendance. A prorated calculation is used to determine the earned amount up through the 60% point in the period of enrollment. If the student ceases attendance after the 60% point, the student is deemed to have earned 100% of the Title IV funds he/she was scheduled to receive.

Under current policy, it is possible the calculation can result in the student being required to pay the funds directly to the Department of Education. More often, the institution returns the funds on behalf of the student and the student owes the institution for the returned funds.

Under the PROSPER Act Proposal, the period of enrollment would be split unto quartiles. The quartile in which the student ceases enrollment will determine the percentage of Title IV funds be returned.

If the student ceases enrollment between the beginning of the term and 25% of the term would require 100% of the funds returned; between 25% and 50% of term, would require 75% funds returned; between 50% and 75% of term, would require 50% funds returned; between 75% and end term would require 25% funds returned.

Ms. Klemke reported this would hurt community colleges in Nebraska over 3 million dollars a year.

Mr. Perlinski thanked the Board of the opportunity to attend the Summit and concluded his report.

**WESTERN NEBRASKA  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
SCOTTSBLUFF/ MAIN  
BUILDING ADDITION**  
Update – Re: Addition/  
Renovation Project

Dr. Holcomb announced the College's plans to liven up the plain white construction wall in The Pit on the Main Scottsbluff Campus during the renovation. Student Engagement Director Megan Wescoat and Art Instructor Yelena Khanevskaya will be working with student organizations in order to help design, decorate and paint the wall. Dr. Holcomb stated this is expected to be a fun project and the staff is excited to get started on it.

Dr. Holcomb reported Sampson Construction has installed two web cams; one inside the old theater, and one external view of the main entrance. A third camera will be installed at a later date.

**BOARD MEMBER  
COMMENTS**

Ms. Klemke once again thanked the Board for granting her the opportunity to attend the 2018 National Legislative Summit.

Mr. Savely reported that he was on Campus on Monday, and thanked the Maintenance Team for the wonderful job done in clearing the sidewalks and parking lots from snow.

Mr. Stickney thanked Ms. Richards for the wonderful job done in serving the Board, and stated she would be missed.

Ms. Richards remarked she too will miss the Board members, as she has missed the former Board members. She stated it is a bittersweet moment and feels overwhelmed by the outpouring of recognition. Ms. Richards thanked the Board for everything they done and wished them well in the future.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

Ms. Walworth asked for President's Comments.

Dr. Holcomb reported this year's Discover WNCC event was the largest attendance ever for Discover WNCC. About 130 high school junior and senior students and guests attended and hailed from the following high schools: Banner County, Potter-Dix, Garden County, Sioux County, Chadron, Minatare, Mitchell, Alliance, Morrill, Gering, Scottsbluff, Sidney, Bayard, and Bridgeport. Students from Choices, Reconnect and homeschool students from Wyoming and the panhandle also attended.

Dr. Holcomb announced the College has been celebrating Black History Month this Month. The next event, Hot Wings & Hot Topics / Black History Month Trivia, will be held February 27, at 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the Bishop Dining Hall, and is.

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Dr. Holcomb announced the Theatre Arts department will be presenting "Play It Again, Sam" by Woody Allen. Dinner theatre performances are scheduled for March 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m. and March 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the Theatre located in the low bay of the Harms Center. A show only performance is slated for 7:30 p.m. on March 4.

Dr. Holcomb reported that as Peer Reviewer for the High Learning Commission, Executive Vice President Dr. Dale, was featured in an article titled "HLC Seeks Specialists for the Peer Corps" of The Leaflet's January 2018 edition, a publication of the Higher Learning Commission.

Dr. Holcomb reported the Financial Aid Office is collecting nominations for EducationQuest's Reaching Your Potential scholarship. He asked names of nominees be forwarded to Sheila Johns no later than March 1. This scholarship is intended for students who face significant obstacles to college but have demonstrated the potential to succeed.

Dr. Holcomb reported Sidney Phi Theta Kappa held their induction on February 20. In addition, he announced the Southern Panhandle Sophomore Career Conference will be held March 15 at the Sidney Campus.

Dr. Holcomb reported as part of the Innovation & Entrepreneurship Center, Business Resource meetings have been held in Kimball and Sidney. Over 80 potential entrepreneurs have attended the first three meetings. On February 27 another one will be held in Chappell, March 9 will be held in Lewellen, and March 16 in Sidney.

Dr. Holcomb reported the Harms Center launched the new Gold Club in January with updated and additional benefits for seniors. He stated the response was great in just a short period of time with 129 Gold Club memberships received. Of those, more than half were not previously designated as Gold Card members, which indicates the College is reaching new community members. He stated efforts will continue to be made to send letters of invitation throughout the year to those who are turning 60 each month, thereby "recruiting" the younger Gold Club members each year. The Lifelong Learning department has an active Advisory Committee and that committee will meet again on the week of February 26th to help guide and support the programming for seniors.

Due to the amount of correspondence Dr. Holcomb has received from residents at Kimball requesting a GED program,

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staff and faculty are taking the proper steps to start a GED program in March 2018.

Lastly, Dr. Holcomb thanked Loren Bell for his service to the College. He stated Mr. Bell did a tremendous job for fifty-one years and thanked him for his dedication. He also thanked Ms. Richards for the fabulous job she did during her fifty-eight years working at the College, and thanked her for the good partnership during the eight years they worked together.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Ms. Walworth reminded Board members of the following Upcoming Meetings and Events:

- 1) The Association of Community College Trustees 2018 Annual Leadership Congress to be held on October 25 – 27, 2018, at the Marriott Marquis, Time Square in New York, New York. Ms. Richards remarked that registration is now open for this conference. She asked Board members to advise her if they are planning to attend the Congress, so their travel can be approved and registration be submitted.
- 2) The Nebraska Community College Association 2018 Regular Meetings as follows: a) Second Quarter Meeting, May 7, 2018, in Lincoln, Nebraska; b) Third Quarter Meeting, August 6, 2018, in Lincoln, Nebraska; and c) Fourth Quarter (Annual Meeting), November 5 and 6, 2018, in Norfolk, Nebraska.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

The next Regular meeting of the Western Community College Area Board of Governors will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, Pioneer Activity Center, Western Nebraska Community College, Scottsbluff Campus, 1409 East 27th Street, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 3:29 p.m.

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Julienne K. Walworth, Chairperson

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Coral E. Richards, Secretary



Attachment A

**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS**

1) Notice of a Public Hearing by the City of Gering Board of Adjustment to be held on February 7, 2018, to consider the following:

a) A variance to consider granting relief from lot size requirements as defined in the City Zoning and Subdivision Regulations per Section 5.1 AGG General Agricultural, Subsection 5.016 (2). The minimum lot area for uses prescribed as conditional uses shall be twenty-five (25) acres subject to approval of the Board. The applicant is requesting subdivision of approximately 1.4 acres for a conditional use in an AGG zone. They are also requesting relief from building set back requirements. The property shall be described as a parcel approximately 200 feet x 200 feet and was the site of a former residence located west of 14<sup>th</sup> Street and South of Floral Street in the City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

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Applied Sciences

**William Loring, Russell Pontarolo, Corey Bott, John Leever** went with Cole Honstead to Sargent, Nebraska to a career day on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Russell showed some welding gear, Corey showed some auto body plastic stapling, John showed off his portable jet engine, and Bill had students try out remote controlling the Vex robot. There were approximately 75 students throughout the morning.

Science Dept.

**Dave Nelson**, Chemistry Instructor was awarded his Ph.D. in Chemistry, his dissertation was titled: *I. An Improved Platform for Human Serine Racemase Expression and Characterization. II. Identification of a Possible Mannose 6-Phosphate Receptor in Dictyostelium discoideum.*

### Abstract

Human serine racemase (hSR) is the vitamin B6 dependent enzyme responsible for the biosynthesis of the NMDA (N-methyl D-aspartate) receptor co-agonist, D-serine. There is evidence that abnormal D-serine levels may be associated with certain degenerative diseases including amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and schizophrenia. Additionally, elevated D-serine levels may lead to neuronal infarction pursuant to ischemic stroke. The previously described constructs for the heterologous expression of hSR have been plagued by a tendency toward aggregation. This chapter describes a new N-terminal fusion protein, MBP-hSR, with maltose binding tag. This tag greatly improves solubility without changing the observable kinetic characteristics of serine racemase. This construct also serves as an excellent platform for the study of structure/activity relationships in the racemase, with a focus in this work on serine-84, the accepted re-face base. Four mutants have been expressed and characterized, S84A, S84T, S84N, and S84D. Computational methods have been employed to provide a rational model for the inverted substrate specificity of the S84D mutant. The results of these studies suggest that R135 functions to position the substrates with negatively charged side chains such as L-THA (L-threo-beta-hydroxyaspartate) and L-SOS (L-serine-O-sulfate). The same interaction in both L-

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THA and L-EHA (L-erythro-beta-hydroxyaspartate) provides an explanation as to why L-THA is a substrate, and L-EHA is an inhibitor. Furthermore, sequence data of fold type II serine eliminases suggest that R135 may have originated from an L-THA eliminase predecessor enzyme. ^ The cation independent mannose 6-phosphate receptor(CI-MPR)/insulin-like growth factor II(IGF-II) receptor has a well-established role of binding and transporting phosphomannosylated glycoproteins to the lysosome. It is a type I glycoprotein found only in higher eukaryotes, and recent evidence has shown it to be involved in growth regulation and motility. Preliminary gene mining efforts suggest the existence of an evolutionarily distant homologue of this receptor in the slime mold, *Dictyostelium discoideum* (*D.d.*). Furthermore, *D. d.* is known to have unusual glycosylations to include combinations of mannose-6-sulfates and phosphomannodiester. This discovery potentially unveils the sequence of the most distant evolutionary M6P receptor reported to date; however, the function of this receptor in *D.d.* has yet to be fully understood.^

**Dr. Nelson** also judged the Valley Home School Association (VHSA) Science fair Feb. 10 at the UNL Panhandle Research Center.