

OFFICIAL Minutes
NORTHERN'S PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL MEETING – April 28, 2021

DATE: April 28, 2021	PLACE: Board Room and Via Zoom	CONVENED: 9:02 a.m.	CONCLUDED: 9:52 a.m.
ATTENDEES:	D. Mosser, D. Barnhardt, T. Alfred, D. Bennett, R. Blaha, B. Brak, C. Corbin, D. Cresap, J. Fike, A. Frey, S. Kappel, P. Klein, J. Lantz, J. Loveless, T. Marker, J. Montgomery, K. Mulhern, P. Sharma, L. Soly, R. Spurlock, G. Wallace & I. Williams.		Excused: D. Clausell
MINUTES RECORDED BY:	Stephanie Kappel		
NEXT MEETING	May 19, 2021		
ITEM	DISCUSSION		
1. President's Updates	<p>Dr. Mosser stated that at this time there are no COVID restrictions on campus. He has not heard anything specifically about surveillance testing for students in the fall. Nationally, there are a number of four-year colleges that are requiring vaccines to be on campus. Dr. Mosser also stated that he participated in a recent CTCS call that discussed since the employee has been given so many chances to get the vaccine that if they do get sick or need to quarantine because they have not been vaccinated, they need to take their leave time or not be paid.</p> <p>Dr. Mosser encouraged everyone to participate in Commencement to enjoy our student's successes. It is scheduled for 5/14 at 7 pm at Wheeling Island Stadium.</p> <p>Dr. Mosser and the Workforce staff have been meeting with various companies in the area about workforce training needs.</p>		
2. Facilities Update	<p>Ms. Marker stated that the parking lots should be opening soon. They are going to keep the old/existing lots closed to do the sealing and striping. Mr. Barnhardt will communicate parking lot information to the campus. They are opening the expression of interest for the cleaning and restoration of the B & O Building exterior. The NM office space will be converted into an office for a community organization. They are doing a refresh of the EMT office in the B & O. There is a meeting in WT to discuss the concrete repairs. They are scheduling some clean-up in NM and WT. The Historical Section in the LRC will be done next week. They Library paint will be done in June. If you have any requests, please use the Oz ticket system. For Commencement, Thomas Queen will be the Facilities contact. Ms. Bennett asked about the voc rehab office.</p>		
3. Commencement	<p>Ms. Fike stated that it is scheduled for 5/14 at 7 pm at Wheeling Island Stadium. She asked that people be there by 5:15 if you are helping. There are about 200 students walking from the 2020 & 2021 graduating classes. There is not a reception this year. Caps and gowns should be arriving this week. The Honors ceremonies will also be occurring on each campus over the next few weeks.</p>		
4. Blackbelt Help	<p>Ms. Fike stated that this should go live on 5/7. She stated that we are excited to get this. Students will able to get answers right away, 24/7. There is also a live chat function. Portal reset will also be available 24/7 to assist students.</p>		

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5. Other

Ms. Bennett stated that NM Honors is set for next Tuesday. Campus clean-up is going well. She also announced that Ina Robinson is retiring.

Ms. Williams stated that they are working on a student registration campaign.

Ms. Cresap stated that there is lots of activity with early entrance. She thanked Mr. Barnhardt and Ms. Curto for the Pathways Guide. There is an online application on the website. It is being sent directly to Stephanie Cunningham. They also now have a brochure to hand out. Paden City High School would like a high school/college fair for them. They are working on it. She is finishing up the assessment items for this year. She plans to retire 5/14.

Dr. Klein stated that the EMS Program Director is starting on Monday. They are purchasing a tractor-trailer for CDL training. They hope to roll out the program in mid-June. There are several trainings scheduled. The catalog is going down to marketing to print today and they hope to have it out soon.

Ms. Blaha stated that graduation caps decorating is ongoing. The events with Sexual Assault Prevention Month have gone very well. There are 160 students and families signed up for Oglebay Day.

Ms. Fike stated that later this morning is a virtual middle school fair.

Ms. Alfred stated that fall registration is up and running. They are giving away 3 iPad minis. There are also \$50 Akademos vouchers. They are trying to get as many students as possible registered while they are still here. They have included fun activities this year with registration.

Dr. Loveless stated that there are 26 days till summer semester starts. They are still low in summer registration. It has been a busy curriculum year. They are getting ready for the end of the semester. There are lots of pinning and Honors ceremonies coming up.

Ms. Soly stated that she is working on several ACTion Center initiatives and is working with the meta advisors for incentives over the summer. There are welcome back BBQ's planned for WT on 8/17; NM on 8/18; and WHLG on 8/19. They are doing a job fair in NM on 6/15 virtually. She has started to sit in on advisory board meetings to assess what the community needs. Dr. Mosser suggested including HE Neuman and Kalkreuth in the career fairs.

Mr. Brak stated that we are not requiring employees to be vaccinated at this time. He also cautioned that you not ask employees if they have been vaccinated. There is some sensitivity with medical conditions. The open enrollment period for benefits closes on 5/15.

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Dr. Sharma encouraged everyone to complete the employee satisfaction survey. They are working on the strategic plan. There are teams working on the HLC assurance report. They will be contacting various areas for information.

Mr. Lantz stated that he has stepped down as Faculty Assembly President. Said Leghlid is the newly-elected president and Chana Baker is president-elect. The faculty continue to work on class schedules. He thanked Ms. Marker and her team for their work on the crime lab. He would like to do a press release on it in August.

Ms. Mulhern stated that many companies are reaching out. There are twelve companies with trainings underway. She will get with Mr. Montgomery on the training details for Arcelor Mittal.

Mr. Montgomery stated that they are working on Honors. They have been doing TEAS testing on campus as well.

Mr. Barnhardt stated that his area has been working feverishly on year end items such as invites and events. They are advertising new programs on the credit and non-credit side over the summer. We are open M – F to register for classes. Matt Thorn started on Monday as the recruiter.

Ms. Bennett thanked Ms. Blaha for student lunches last week.