



# National Western Center Authority Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	January 21, 2021	<b>Time:</b>	9:02 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.
<b>Minutes Prepared By:</b>	Liz Adams	<b>Location:</b>	Virtual Meeting via ZOOM
<b>Meeting Description</b>			
National Western Center Authority Board Meeting			
<b>Authority Board Member Attendance at Meeting</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Notes</b>
John Ikard	X		
Lucia Guzman	X		
Steven McCarthy	X		
John Zapien	X		
Robb Brown	X		
Kelly Leid	X		
Gabriela Acevedo*	X		
Brendan Hanlon*	X		
Tony Frank	X		
Bill Mosher	X		
Doug Jones	X		
Paul Andrews	X		
Ernest House	X		
*Non-Voting Members			
Other attendees including members of the public are as recorded registration for the meeting.			

Submitted by: Liz Adams

Approved by:

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Topic	Owner	Time
<b>1. Call to Order</b>		
<b>Quorum Present</b>	John Ikard	9:02 am
<b>2. Board Business/Action Items</b>		
<b>Approval of Minutes for December 17</b> A motion to approve the minutes of December 17 made by Director <b>Leid</b> and seconded by Director <b>Mosher</b> . Motion carried.	John Ikard	9:03 a.m.
<b>3. Chairman Update</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Things are moving along at the NWC. We have good news about programs and partnerships.</li> <li>• Covid continues to present challenges but we have a positive outlook.</li> <li>• We are planting great seeds for the future.</li> </ul>	John Ikard	9:03 a.m.
<b>4. CEO Update</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are working to take over the M&amp;O building and finalizing a lease with Stock Show. Will continue moving forward on that.</li> <li>• We continue to focus on campus construction.</li> <li>• We have exciting news on the programming front. As you recall we received a small grant from Rockefeller and that has brought us a lot of attention. We have been able to leverage that. We have an anonymous foundation to agree to fund 1/3 of Food Vision Implementation over the next 3 years. The foundation is helping us find additional money. Hats off to Matt.</li> </ul>	Brad Buchanan	9:04 a.m.
<b>5. Partner Reports</b>		
<u><b>City and County of Denver:</b></u> <b>Construction Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brad Dodson is standing in for Tykus as he has a meeting in the Mayor's office.</li> <li>• We are busy on the site and construction is moving forward.</li> <li>• Showed pictures of the campus and highlighted the work.</li> </ul>	Brad Dodson	9:08a.m.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridge over Marion is complete. Future Bettie Cram drive is moving along.</li> <li>• SYEC is coming along. NWSS has a virtual tour worth watching. Drywall, priming and painting are next. Elevator walk-through is in process. Seats in auction arena.</li> <li>• Campus overview on West side. Demolition of old rail track is occurring which will open the riverfront. Delgany pipes are next. Soon the river will be visible.</li> <li>• South end of campus looking north: the pad for the central utility plant is complete. NWCO is in process of handing over several assets to NWCA including pad.</li> <li>• Question: Jones asked about final completion of SYEC.</li> <li>• Brad will get the date for Jones.</li> <li>• Andrews commented on the numbering of seats - asked that Stock Show have input on the numbering. Board discussed the importance of correct numbering.</li> <li>• Zapien asked about Delgany removal. Is there a possibility to salvage tubing? For an historical perspective it is monumental. Can we use the pipes for something like planters and provide some education?</li> <li>• Dodson: yes, we are working to use the pipes and intend to work together to highlight this.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>CSU:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed the development timeline.</li> <li>• Showed photos of buildings.</li> <li>• Updated on projects – Vida will be topping out and is offering a signing of the top beam. Terra,Vida and Hydro are all moving along.</li> <li>• Internationals Livestock Association conference will be virtual this year. Working with NWSS on that.</li> <li>• SPUR Updates – Spur Scholarship for 80216</li> <li>• Kathryn Vinzor is new Education director for Spur Campus</li> <li>• Putting out facilities manager job announcement soon.</li> </ul>	<p>Tony Frank</p>	<p>9:19 a.m.</p>
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<p><b><u>WSSA:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lots of virtual Stock Show programming has been happening including happy hours.</li> <li>• 16 days of service has been heavily followed by the media.</li> <li>• Cattle show is now in competition with OKC. They have come in strong with a livestock show with no restrictions. They were the only ones going as Ft. Worth and Denver both cancelled. OKC is attacking NWSS and Denver as “liberal.”</li> <li>• We need to be 100% done with the yards in 2022 – if not we will lose exhibitors.</li> <li>• Complex is closed under Level Orange. Working toward 5-star certification</li> <li>• Legacy campaign is doing well. Continue to raise money.</li> <li>• John Ikard asked more about OKC.</li> <li>• Andrews responded that if breed associations take their shows away it will be detrimental. We must show that we have a first-class new site. Our message is that we will have the best show ever.</li> <li>• Jones emphasized that OKC are predators and we can’t let it happen. We are committed to ensuring we don’t have a hiccup in the process.</li> <li>• Ikard – we need to deliver the facilities in 2022.</li> </ul>	<p>Paul Andrews</p>	<p>9:25 a.m.</p>
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**6. Committee Reports**

<p><b><u>Finance Committee</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee reviewed the year-end close financials, the current finances and an amended 2021 budget. Finance committee recommends the revisions.</li> <li>• Brad provided an overview of the budget. Goal was to end year with \$1M in savings. We had additional restricted dollars come in and had additional savings in departments.</li> <li>• Meghan discussed the DDPHE grant for the Campus Energy project and the pass through.</li> <li>• Andrews – what is our role on LEB?</li> </ul>	<p>Brendan Hanlon          Brad Buchanan          Meghan Sivakoff</p>	<p>9:33 am</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brad – the LEB alliance needed a marketing plan and the Authority is earning revenue as a consulting service to Alliance. Andrea is doing that work.</li> <li>• Ikard reiterated that the budget has been reviewed and recommended.</li> <li>• MOTION TO APPROVE REVISED 2021 BUDGET: Motion by Director <b>Tony Frank</b> Second: Director <b>Kelly Leid</b> Motion passed.</li> </ul>		
<p><b><u>Community Benefits Committee</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with CW Ortega and CW CdeBaca regarding taking a role to create a self-governing council. I want to publicly thank them. One of the first tasks will be to develop a structure to disburse the CIF funds when they come available.</li> <li>• As their capacity builds this group will be able to make suggestions about the NWC.</li> <li>• The council members will co-chair until they become self-governing. One of each of three members will be young adult 18-25. Gabby Acevedo will be involved.</li> <li>• Council members will be facilitators.</li> <li>• We are meeting with councilwomen on January 27 to come up with the duties and goals we have for this group.</li> <li>• NWC will not be a member of the council but will step back and let the group become self-governing.</li> <li>• Meetings will be Zoom in the beginning. Unfortunate but necessary.</li> <li>• John Zapien added his support for this concept. In favor of bringing new people into the fold. Shifting gears important and thanks to Lucia for doing what she has done.</li> <li>• Discussed relationship between CAC and new committee.</li> </ul>	Lucia Guzman	9:45 am



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<b><u>Campus Services and Partnerships Committee</u></b>		Robb Brown	10:02a.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee did not meet in January.</li> </ul>			
<b>7. Public Comment</b>			
<b>No Public Comment</b>			10:03am
<b>8. Member comments</b>			
<p>Kelly Leid let the board know the STEAD school will open with 175 freshman this fall. Construction will commence soon.</p> <p>Ikard asked about enrollment – Leid said 140+ families have applied to the Charter and expect the number to grow during the open enrollment period.</p> <p>John Zapien - Bettie Cram passed away last month. I'd like the board to do something for her. She was the matriarch of Elyria, the church and worked at the Stock Exchange.</p>			10:05 am
<b>9. Adjournment</b>			
<p>Board Chair Ikard adjourned the meeting.</p> <p>Motion by Frank. Second by Zapien. Motion carried.</p> <p>Meeting Adjourned.</p>			10:10 a.m.

<b>11. Next Meeting:</b>					
<b>Date</b>	February 18, 2021	<b>Time:</b>	9:00 a.m.	<b>Location:</b>	Zoom Webinar