

Date of Meeting:	June 17, 2021	Time:	9:09 a.m. – 11:58 a.m.
Minutes Prepared By:	Liz Adams	Location:	Hybrid Meeting via ZOOM and In Person

## **Meeting Description**

## **National Western Center Authority Board Meeting**

## **Authority Board Member Attendance at Meeting** Name Present Absent Notes John Ikard In person Lucia Guzman In Person **Steven McCarthy** In Person John Zapien Zoom Robb Brown Zoom Kelly Leid Zoom Brendan Hanlon\* In person Tony Frank In Person Bill Mosher In Person **Doug Jones** In Person In Person Paul Andrews Ernest House In Person

\*Non-Voting Members

Other attendees including members of the public are as recorded registration for the meeting.

Submitted by: Liz Adams	Approved by:	Date:

Topic	Owner	Time
1. Call to Order		
Quorum Present	John Ikard	9:09 am
The meeting was called to order. John welcomed Ernest House in person. Ernest provided some background on himself. Highlighted his current projects.		
2. Board Business/Action Items		
Approval of Minutes for May 20	John Ikard	9:11 a.m.
A motion to approve the minutes of May 20 made by Director Jones and seconded by Director Frank. Motion carried.		
3. Chairman Update		
Keeping it simple. Welcomed everyone and expressed excitement to be meeting in person.	John Ikard	9:12 a.m.
4. CEO Update		
<ul> <li>Shared highlights – The partners are working on the bond messaging. We are requesting money for the Arena and 1909 Building.</li> <li>Kicked off design for LEB. A designer has been selected. We are looking at combining the two buildings with a circulation core. Construction on middle building will begin the end of this year or early 2022.</li> <li>Spending time on Stock Show ready and kick-off of the facility. Focusing on FFE.</li> <li>We have new pages on the website - check out those out at www.nationalwesterncenter.com.</li> <li>Next month we will present our market survey that tells us who are our future users.</li> <li>Lucia: Who are the partner owners of LEB?</li> <li>Brad: Authority (5%), Exdo, Elevation Development, Cattlemen</li> </ul>	Brad Buchanan	9:13 a.m.

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5. Partner Reports		
City and County of Denver:		
<ul> <li>Construction Update</li> <li>We have been dealing with a lot of moisture. Muddy worksites are difficult.</li> </ul>	Tykus Holloway	9:16 a.m.
<ul> <li>Progress continues with Delgany removal. We are 50% complete with removal. We are trying to save a portion of the pipe, but it is proving difficult. Deconstruction has been challenging. One of the pipes is 100 years old.</li> <li>NW Drive. work continues.</li> <li>Removed the temporary pond. Pond H is under construction. Working on NW Drive and Bettie Cram drive intersection.</li> <li>The ambient loop is under construction – causing a single</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>entrance to LEB.</li> <li>SYEC is close to completion. Key item is passing inspection and having adequate access across an active construction site.</li> <li>Inside SYEC – Salvaged wood panels are laid out. They will be used on the entrance.</li> <li>Near LEB is Bettie Cram drive. We are getting ready to run a new water line under the rail crossing.</li> </ul>		
John: The train that stopped us? Is that going to stay in place. Will there be more entrances?		
Tykus: We will have further connections: 51 <sup>st</sup> Bridge, Bettie Cram Bridge and Bettie Cram underpass. We have NTP on 51 <sup>st</sup> . Not complete until 2022.		
<ul> <li>CSU:</li> <li>Timeline</li> <li>VIDA grand opening January 7.</li> <li>Hiring staff for the buildings.</li> <li>Discussed development timeline that notes the additional staff coming on to work in the facilities.</li> <li>Looking for early career professionals to do fellowships in the CSU offices.</li> <li>Board did approve a 3-year rural initiative. Goal is to push knowledge back out into the community. Working on helping rural school districts.</li> </ul>	Tony Frank	9:24 a.m.

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John: When you are fully staffed, how many people will you have on campus.		
Tony: Still undetermined.		
WSSA:	Paul Andrews	9: 27a.m.
<ul> <li>Preparing marketing plan and theme. We have selected AOR for a marketing campaign. Looking to do things differently.</li> <li>We need to hire 1000 people between now and mid-December. This is a difficult situation. Our competitors are giving signing bonuses.</li> </ul>		
Mosher: how many are part time?		
Paul: Almost all		
<ul> <li>First 300 are easiest to find. Remainder will be difficult.</li> <li>Lots happening at the facility. Swap meets, concerts, summer slide, MMA etc.</li> <li>Campaign is at 80M. Continuing to present. Flying to Texas to pitch 200 ranchers. Feel optimistic we will get 3 figures.</li> </ul>		
Doug: There is a connection between panhandle and NM, Colorado and Wyoming.		
<ul> <li>Three thank you's: we were blessed with \$25M to go toward the project. MGB, Totsy Rees and Doug Friednash helped us get that money. Speaker Garnett would not take no for an answer. We will celebrate him at Stock Show this year.</li> <li>CAC is touring this afternoon. 15 members going through.</li> </ul>		
6. Committee Reports		
Finance Committee	Brendan	9:35 am
<u>Financials</u>	Hanlon	
<ul> <li>We postponed our finance committee and nothing unusual in financials.</li> <li>Meghan added we are 28% of our budget spent.</li> </ul>		

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Brendan noted that we need to formulate the 2022 budget for approval in July.		
John: Are you feeling optimistic?		
Brendan: We are getting back to normal, people are out and we hope the All-Star Game will start the momentum.		
<b>Community Benefits Committee</b>		
<ul> <li>Community Investment Fund committee is meeting and are doing a great job. People who live in the neighborhood that have finance and business experience.</li> <li>They have sent a letter to John. Are interested in a working relationship. Want to find other sources to fund the CIF.</li> </ul>	Lucia Guzman	9:41 am
We should figure out how to create seed money for the organization.		
Brendan – I have heard of CIF wanting to find additional funds. We don't want it to hamper the start-up of the Authority.		
Liz – we are fortunate to have some committee members that understand this.		
Campus Services and Partnerships Committee	Robb Brown	9:50 am
<ul> <li>We don't have new business unless Meghan has something to share.</li> <li>Meghan had no additional comments</li> <li>Brad commented that the committee members are all on Tier 1 committee and it was working to find budget solutions.</li> <li>John – is Tier 1 going well?</li> <li>Brad – yes we are reality checking.</li> </ul>		
7. Public Comment		
No Public comment	John Ikard	9:55am
BREAK		
8.Executive Session		
Mark Williams moved the board into Executive Session.		10:05 am

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Return to Public Session	11:56 am
9. Adjournment	
Motion to adjourn Meeting Adjourned.	11:58 a.m.

11. Next Meet	ting:				
Date	July 15, 2021	Time:	9:00 a.m.	Location:	Zoom and In Person

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