



**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA**

**MINUTES of PUBLIC HEARING,  
SPECIAL HEARING, and REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, September 13, 2001**

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Chairman Poesnecker requested a moment of silence to reflect on the crisis that the United States is facing as a result of the terrorist acts that occurred in New York and at the Pentagon during this past week.

The Northeast Board of Governors met for the official Public Hearing on the 2001-2002 College Budgets, followed by a Special Hearing on the 2001-2002 Property Tax Request, and its regular session Board Meeting on Thursday, September 13, 2001. Notice of the Budget Hearing and Budget Summary was published in the *Norfolk Daily News* on Thursday, September 6, 2001, Notice of the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request was published in the *Norfolk Daily News* on Thursday, September 6, 2001, and Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the *Norfolk Daily News* on Friday, September 7, 2001. Chairman Larry Poesnecker declared the public meeting convened at 7:10 p.m., in Suites C & D of the Lifelong Learning Center, with a quorum present.

**AREA BOARD**

Larry Poesnecker, Chairman.....	Present
Clarence Schmitt, Vice-Chairman .....	Present
Betty Curry, Secretary.....	Present
Steven M. Anderson.....	Absent
Kenneth J. Echtenkamp.....	Present
Keith Harvey.....	Present
Nanci Lingenfelter .....	Present
J. Paul McIntosh.....	Present
Don Oelsligle .....	Present
Jack Warrick .....	Present

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Dr. Bill Path, President  
 Steve Schram, Vice President of Administrative Services  
 Larry Godel, Vice President of Educational Services  
 Dr. Karen Severson, Vice President of Student Services  
 Diane Reikofski, Board Recording Secretary  
 Stacy Wegener, *Norfolk Daily News*  
 Susan Risinger, WJAG/KEXL  
 Mary Ann Novak, KHWK  
 Corinne Sperl, Viewpoint

John Blaylock, Dean of Business Division  
Anita Brenneman, Dean of Health, Science, & Drafting  
Mary Honke, Dean of Continuing Education/Distance Learning Division  
Lyle Kathol, Dean of Transportation and Construction Division  
Donna Niemeyer, Dean of Liberal Arts Division  
Chuck Pohlman, Director of Agriculture and Technology Division  
Margy Ehrenfried, Director of Human Resources  
Chris Lahm, Dean of Enrollment Management  
Noel Stanley, Lifelong Learning Center Coordinator  
Lin Behmer, NECC office technology instructor  
Corinne Morris, Faculty Association president  
Connie Kube, Professional/Managerial Association president  
Ken Muegge, Classified Staff Association president  
Kristi Maxwell, Student Senate president  
Tim Bunch, Student Senate vice president

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Steve Schram, Vice President of Administrative Services, presented information on the General Operating Fund Budget of \$18,000,870; the Capital Improvement Budget of \$1,367,850; the ADA/Hazardous Materials Budget of \$45,835; the Building Fund-Restricted Budget of \$14,346; the Retirement of Indebtedness Budget of \$442,034; and the Self-Supporting Funds Budget of \$13,085,109 for the Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

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At 7:28 p.m., there being no further discussion on the proposed budgets, Chairman Poesnecker declared the public hearing closed.

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Chairman Poesnecker convened the Official Special Hearing at 7:29 p.m. and Steve Schram presented information on the setting of the final Property Tax Request for 2001-2002.

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At 7:31 p.m., there being no further discussion on the Property Tax Request for 2001-2002, Chairman Poesnecker declared the special hearing closed.

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Chairman Poesnecker called the regular meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

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Clarence Schmitt MOVED and Ken Echtenkamp SECONDED the motion to adopt the Agenda of the September 13, 2001 meeting as mailed.

**Voting Yes:** Curry, Echtenkamp, Harvey, Lingenfelter, McIntosh, Oelsligle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, and Warrick

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Jack Warrick MOVED to approve the Minutes as follows:

1. Regular Board Meeting of August 9, 2001
2. Facilities Committee Meeting of August 9, 2001
3. Policies and Procedures Committee Meeting of August 9, 2001
4. Human Resources Committee Meeting of August 9, 2001

Nanci Lingenfelter SECONDED the motion.

**Voting Yes:** Echtenkamp, Harvey, Lingenfelter, McIntosh, Oelsligle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, and Curry

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Dr. Path introduced guests to the meeting to include Kristi Maxwell, Student Senate president, and Tim Bunch, Student Senate vice president. Ms. Maxwell reported that seven new members have been elected to Student Senate. Upcoming activities sponsored by the Student Senate include a pool table challenge on September 25. This will provide an opportunity for the student body to meet Senate members. A Student Leadership Conference will be held in St. Louis on October 11-14 and will be attended by Student Senate officers. Information obtained from the Conference will be shared with the remainder of the Senate members during their retreat that is scheduled for October 19-20. October is Alcohol Awareness Month, with various activities on campus being planned by the Student Senate.

Dr. Bill Path provided a brief update on a recent trip to the communities of Laurel and Wausa. Board members Steve Anderson and Betty Curry accompanied Dr. Path, Mary Honke, Joe Ferguson, Angie McLean, Wayne Erickson, John Blaylock, and Noel Stanley on the Laurel trip. Keith Harvey attended the Wausa trip. These visits provided the opportunity to meet community leaders, school officials, and others, as well as to learn of any unmet educational needs in the area. A trip to visit West Point will be planned for early October.

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The Education Report for September was introduced by Larry Godel and was provided by Lin Behmer who presented information in regard to her Fulbright travel experience to the Czech Republic. Ms. Behmer also informed the Board of international initiatives that are developing on campus.

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J. Paul McIntosh, NCCA representative, reported that the Nebraska Council of Higher Education held a meeting in Lincoln on August 19 to discuss scholarships. A special meeting of the Council and the Coordinating Commission is scheduled for October 5 to further discuss how scholarships should be awarded.

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Steve Schram, Vice President of Administrative Services, presented information on the budget lid authority after which J. Paul McIntosh MOVED to approve an additional one (1) percent increase in the total 2001-2002 budget lid authority.

Betty Curry SECONDED the motion.

**Voting Yes:** Harvey, Lingenfelter, McIntosh, Oelsigle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, and Echtenkamp

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Jack Warrick MOVED for the adoption of the 2001-2002 budgets for Northeast Community College as follows:

General Operating Fund Budget in the amount of \$18,000,870;

Capital Improvement Budget in the amount of \$1,367,850;

ADA/Hazardous Materials Budget in the amount of \$45,835;

Building Fund-Restricted Budget in the amount of \$14,346;

Retirement of Indebtedness Budget in the amount of \$442,034; and

Self-Supporting Funds Budget in the amount of \$13,085,109.

Keith Harvey SECONDED the motion.

**Voting Yes:** Lingenfelter, McIntosh, Oelsligle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, Echtenkamp, and Harvey

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Nanci Lingenfelter MOVED to approve the 2001-2002 Proposed Property Tax Request as follows:

2000-2001 Property Tax Request	\$3,100,651.00
2000 Tax Rate	0.035122
Property Tax Rate (2000-2001 Request/2001 Valuation)	0.033565
<b>2001-2002 Proposed Property Tax Request</b>	<b>\$6,328,654.00</b>
<b>Proposed 2001 Tax Rate</b>	<b>0.068508</b>

Clarence Schmitt SECONDED the motion.

**Voting Yes:** McIntosh, Oelsligle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, Echtenkamp, Harvey, and Lingenfelter

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Steve Schram, Vice President of Administrative Services, presented the Monthly Financial Report after which Ken Echtenkamp MOVED Don Oelsligle SECONDED the motion to acknowledge and approve the Monthly Financial Report for August 31, 2001 and the claims paid in August 2001 as follows:

General Fund .....	\$1,843,687.85
Auxiliary Fund .....	\$ 323,596.16
Restricted Fund .....	\$ 70,733.91
Loan Fund .....	\$ 175.00
Building Fund Cap't.....	\$ 52,174.98
Building Fund ADA .....	\$ 2,317.00
Agency Fund .....	\$ 925.38
Payroll Fund .....	\$ 648,298.30
TOTAL CLAIMS PAID .....	\$2,941,908.58
TOTAL INVESTMENTS .....	\$ .00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....	\$2,941,908.58

**Voting Yes:** Oelsligle, Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, Echtenkamp, Harvey, Lingenfelter, and McIntosh

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Betty Curry MOVED and Jack Warrick SECONDED the motion to approve the 2001-2002 Student Travel list beyond the states that are contiguous to Nebraska, as presented by Dr. Karen Severson, Vice President of Student Services.

**Voting Yes:** Poessnecker, Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, Echtenkamp, Harvey, Lingenfelter, McIntosh, and Oelsligle

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Margy Ehrenfried, Director of Human Resources presented personnel actions and reports after which Clarence Schmitt MOVED and Keith Harvey SECONDED the motion to:

1. Ratify the report of Full-Time Faculty Overload and Adjunct Faculty Assignments for September 13, 2001;
2. Ratify the report of New Part-Time Employees for the Month of August 2001;
3. Ratify the employment transfer of Ms. Tere K. Karella to director/instructor of the physical therapy assistant program at a salary of \$36,982 per annum based on a 175-day contract plus a 10-day extension at the daily rate of \$210.80 effective August 15, 2001;
4. Approve the employment of Ms. Dawn N. Buderus as coordinator of student housing effective September 1, 2001 at a salary of \$20,000 per annum plus housing for the remainder of the 2001-2002 fiscal year; and
5. Ratify the employment of Bruce Westerhold as custodian effective September 17, 2001 at a salary of \$7.35 per hour with a \$.15 per hour increase upon completion of 30-work days for the remainder of the 2001-2002 fiscal year.

**Voting Yes:** Schmitt, Warrick, Curry, Echtenkamp, Harvey, Lingenfelter, McIntosh, Oelsligle, and Poessnecker

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** Anderson

**MOTION CARRIED**

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At 8:19 p.m., Ken Echtenkamp MOVED, and it was UNANIMOUSLY PASSED BY VOICE VOTE to adjourn the meeting.

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Betty Curry, Secretary  
Northeast Board of Governors

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Larry Poesnecker, Chairman  
Northeast Board of Governors