

Northland Community & Technical College

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Aug 28, 2025 | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm | TRF 619

President's Cabinet

MINUTES

Present: Shari Olson, Stacey Hron, John Fields, Kalen Wiseth, Michelle Benitt, Don Fischer, Johnathan Beck, Clinton Castle, Abdul Chamma, Joseph Agbeko, Sara Johnson, Chad Sperling,

Absent: Kirsten Michalke

10:00 am - 10:10 am	Check-In
10:10 am - 10:20 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care-Fund Signer—Motion to change to Topanga Brown granted. Suggested for a second signer to be added. Finance not to be involved due to conflict of interest. Michelle Benitt Volunteered to be second signer. Motion seconded. Motion grated. Action-- Topanga to send meeting minutes to Northern State Bank for approval. Michelle and Topanga to bank to officially sign for account.
10:20 am – 10:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Recruiting Events Planning/Participation—Chad reports schools in system notice efficiency in recruiting events on campus. Will release Spring events soon. Chad expresses need for volunteers and participation with hope for 85% participation rate. Action—Chad to add dates for future events, continue to look into high school involvement with possibility of being written into grant proposal by Johnathan.
10:30 am – 10:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MN State Hunger Free Campus Grant Opportunity— Grant is due September 30th. Decisions emailed week of October 13th and funds sent October 20th. Meeting is September 5th at 9:00 am. Questioned if grant will include support of infrastructure of freezers/new equipment if approved. Suggestion of having pamphlet from WICK provided in pantry. Action—Sarah to lead submission of grant and relay information to Becca Johnson. Added Clinton into taskforce. Members of taskforce are—Topanga, Amy, Sara, Abdul, Becca, and Clinton.
11:40 am – 11:50 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College Wide Shared Governance-Membership and projects from FY 25—Reported 2 members needed for AFCME and 1 member for MAPE. Observed no designated parking for prospective students and their families. Questioned concern for Heather Action—Encourage participation of all. Clinton to write up proposal for designated prospective student parking. Bonding and HEAPR Update—Reports bonding projects are going well and are almost finished. HEAPR project is 70% finished on interior and will not interfere with classes. Concerns with demolition noise while on roof and tar lay causing strong smells in classrooms. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony—Date pushed to November 5th due to construction completion dates.
10:50 a.m. - 11:05 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Drill—No notes
11:05 am – 11:15 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Trespassing Order— Individual #1-- Order is extended for another calendar year. Photo requested to view for safety purposes. Approved for select people to share name of individual for safety purposes. Individual #2—No threat to personnel, but threat to assets. No order issued until individual returns to campus in future, which will be taken care of by law enforcement.

