South Dakota SkillsUSA Board of Directors
Special Meeting March 20th, 2020 at 1:00 pm
By: Microsoft Teams

Eric started the meeting with Roll Call at 1:03 PM.

**Attendance:** Katie Paulson, Eric Schramm, Troy Barry, Jason Juhnke, Chandra Calvert, Wade Persson, Kent Heronimus, Margaret Pennock, and Jason Merritt.

**Absent:** Scott Pudwill, Holli Ring, Derek Miller, Stephanie Waller, Leah Jeager, and Andy Rossow.

Katie reported that Holli and Andy are attending a LATI Staff Meeting.

Eric asked for a motion to approve today’s meeting agenda.

Jason J. made a motion to approve today's agenda. Kent seconded the motion.

Eric turned the floor over to Katie to give updates on the State Directors report.

**State Directors Report:**

Katie updated the CDC recommendations for face to face events.

The SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference that was going to be hosted by Southeast Tech will be cancelled for face to face.

Katie has cancelled all the hotel rooms and contacted STI on cancelling the rooms and conference food.

**Virtual Conference:** Katie asked for some input on having a virtual conference and do the advisors/instructor have time and the resources for it.

The SkillsUSA National Office has resources for the virtual conference but will take some time to get organized.

The National Office would like to know about numbers before April 13th so they can start planning on their end.

Katie asked the industry board members their thoughts about the conference. Margaret, Wade, and Kent all shared their feelings on having the conference this year, Industry has been getting hit hard from every position. It might be a good idea to postpone the conference until next year.

Jason M. shared about having the winners from the 2019 state conference to attend nationals this year, some other states are going with that plan, Jason commented that he might have one student. Eric shared that there will be a few from MTI and Katie said about a hand full.

Jason also commended about giving an online test for students to take to decide who gets to attend this year’s national conference.

Troy would not advise that the test is important but is also a test on their skills to complete a task.
Eric asked the board for a motion to cancel this year’s State Leadership Conference that was going to be hosted by Southeast Tech.

Kent made a motion to cancel the 2020 SkillsUSA State Leadership conference for this year and move it to Rapid City for 2021.

Margaret seconded the motion to cancel this year’s conference.

Katie will share this information with the National Office on Monday and send out an update to all school advisors and students.

Website:

Katie reported that the website for SkillsUSA is up and running. The website address is skillsusasd.org

She would like everyone to look over the site and recommend anything that might need to be changed.

Please look at the board of directors site and if you would like a new headshot of yourself please send that to her.

The emails for each member will be taken off the site, some scam emails might be coming from the website.

She asked the board if it was ok to give someone’s email out if they asked for it, the board agreed to share info.

The job board is up on the site, she would like to put the industry board members up on the site. Katie also shared with the board the dollar amount that we should charge if an industry supporter would like to use the job board. The supporter thought $100 to $500.00 was not out of range, depending on the details and info they are putting on the posting.

Industry Sponsor Document:

Jason J. shared that we all still need to keep updating the document, if you have any new information to share to the document please update it. Katie shared it will help us in the future and also to look over to see what industry supporters we have for WDT.

Eric asked for a motion to adjourn today’s meeting.

Jason J. made the motion to adjourn and Jason M. seconded the motion.

Katie and Eric thanked the board and wished all a wonderful weekend.