Partnerships for Innovation is a collaboration of secondary and postsecondary partners focused on building a better statewide system of Career and Technical Education for Nebraska to improve student learning and better meet economic development priorities. PFI will do this by introducing innovation in delivery systems in CTE to include Career Academies, professional development and programs of study with coordinated curriculum between secondary and postsecondary.

PFI Leadership Council Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2021
9:00 am – 1:00 pm Central CC

Present: **Present either via ZOOM or in person**: Lori Biesecker, Justin Shaddick, Charlie Gregory, Joel Michaelis, Michele Gill, Missy Jabens, Otis Pierce, Tami Wegener, Tom McDonnell, Candace Walton, Julie Otero, Delayne Havlovic, Joe Peitzmeier, Jody Tomanek,

Absent: Samantha Pavelka

I. Welcome

II. Approval of October 2020 Meeting Minutes. Jody Tomanek motioned to approve; Julie Otero seconded the motion.

III. Directors Report & Finance Report

- 2020-21 Monthly Budget update
- 2020-21 Program of Work update
- Teacher Training/ National Conference Scholarships have been awarded. We awarded 19 ($19,000) in scholarships.

IV. 2020-2021 Committees – Reviewed the new committee members

- Finance Committee: Missy, Julie, and Joe
- PD Committee: Lori, Tom, and Samantha

V. 2021 PFI Project

- Discussion, brainstorm, & decision. PFI decision to focus on assisting with work-based learning on a statewide basis and that includes the community colleges, ESU's and high schools. After discussion, the PFI board decided that health sciences is the most important CTE subject area to start with as this is a statewide need. Once we have tackled health sciences, we will move on to other areas such as business, ag, manufacturing, etc…

VI. July PFI Meeting

- Meeting will be at the new ESU facility in Sidney, NE on Friday July, 16

VII. Adjourn

Future Meeting Dates

- **April 9, 2021 10:00 – 11:00 Zoom**
- **July 16, 2021 Sidney, NE - Face to Face**