

MNWEST CTC
Agriculture Advisory Committee Minutes
April 20, 2022

Committee Members in Attendance for meeting: Dusty Neugebauer, Brad Meester, Mark Bents, Kile Behrends, Andrew Bents, Dave Soderholm, Jazmin Voehl and Jacob Vogel (Student Rep) and Jeff Rogers (Program Advisor/Faculty).

Members Absent: Jesse Koerselman

Minutes: Review of meeting minutes from 4/9/21. Motion to approve minutes by Brad Meester, seconded by Mark Bents.

Old Business:

- I. Agriculture Program Changes-Continue to review and discuss any program updates or changes. Program continues to meet the student and industry needs and expectations.

New Business

- I. Student Report - (Jacob Vogel) Jacob is a wrestler and member of the PAS program at MN West. Jacob is from Colton, SD. He hopes to return to the family farm where they raise corn and soybeans. His family also has a hog finishing facility. He enjoys his time at MN West and feels the Ag program and courses that he has taken have been so beneficial to his academic/professional goals in Agriculture.
- II. Faculty Report - Jeff Rogers explained that his class number have remained steady in his courses. Enrollment has picked up. Several student are coming to visit campus for the Ag program.
- III. Program Review – College Catalog
 - a. Course offerings/Delivery has all been updated and current.
 - b. Future of industry-Discussion of getting a CDL certification on campus for the Ag students as part of their training/courses. It's a need in the Ag Industry along with a great way to make extra income in the off season of farming. Work with Customized Training or Jackson Campus to partner or figure out how the Ag department can get this established for their students.
 1. Continue to move into precision technology equipment/software.
(encouraged by economics in industry, possibly drone technology)
 2. Supported animal nutrition equipment for coursework.
(Utilize Hubbard Feeds research/nutritionists/Veterinarians)

Questions/Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 a.m. motion my Andrew Bents and seconded by Brad Meester.

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