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NORTH STATE TOGETHER

Advisory Board

BYLAWS

Article I

General Provisions

Section 1 Name

The name of this organization shall be North State Together (NST).

Section 2 Purpose

The purpose of North State Together is to increase community vitality by increasing educational access and success in the North State through local solutions within a regional support framework.

Article II

Membership

Section 1 Membership in the NST Advisory Board (NSTAB)

A. Number of Members

Twelve(12) Voting Members:

1. Board Chair - Chief Executive Officer of NST;
2. Two members of the NST backbone team;
3. One appointed member of Reach Higher Shasta county network;
4. One appointed member of Expect More Tehama county network;
5. One appointed member of the Advancing Modoc Youth county network;
6. One appointed member of the Cradle to Careers for Siskiyou county network;

7. One appointed member from the Trinity Together – A Cradle to Career Partnership county network;
8. At Large member – The McConnell Foundation
9. At Large member - North/Far North Regional Coordinator for Guided Pathways at California Community Colleges
10. At Large member – College Options; and
11. At Large member – Chico State University

A single designated alternate or proxy shall be allowed to attend meetings to represent each regular member and will be allowed to vote on action items.

B. Term of Membership

Terms shall be two years, with an option for renewal. There is no limit to number of terms served.

C. Appointment and Removal

Advisory Board members shall be nominated by any of the members, and voted on by the full membership of the NSTAB.

In the event that a member of the NSTAB is absent from three consecutive regular meetings, the Chair will contact the member requesting confirmation of the member's interest in continuing to serve on the NSTAB. If the Advisory Board determines that the member is no longer interested in serving on the NSTAB, the Advisory Board will recommend replacement.

D. Powers and Duties

The powers and duties of the NSTAB are to:

1. Provide leadership to the NST movement and committees;
2. Create a strategic plan for the movement after consultation with stakeholders, including parents and students;
3. Coordinate and integrate the work of the various committees; and
4. Inform budgets and major allocations, and secure funding to support the effort.

E. Member Responsibilities

1. Members will be responsible for providing county updates to the NSTAB;
2. All members will be responsible for making regular reports to their constituency groups;
3. Any member unable to attend a meeting should notify the Chair prior to missing the meeting, and send an alternate as designated.
4. Members will serve as point people for data sharing and programmatic reporting.

Article III Meetings

Section 1 Regular Meetings

The North State Together Advisory Board will schedule to meet every other month, but meetings may be adjusted by a vote of the NSTAB. Other committees will set their own meeting frequency. Minutes of meetings shall be kept in action item/decision format.

Section 2 How the NSTAB Arrives at Recommendations

A. Quorum

A quorum of the voting membership of the NSTAB must be present to take formal action on any item. A quorum will be defined as a simple majority.

B. Voting

When an agenda item is introduced for action, the committee will attempt to reach general agreement about a course of action. If agreement is not possible, the committee will decide by taking a vote. The motion will need a simple majority of the quorum present to pass.

Article V Committees

Section 1 Standing or Other Committees

Standing committees or ad-hoc task forces may be established as deemed appropriate by the NSTAB. Task forces shall focus on a single topic and shall be time-limited. The chair of each committee and task force shall be appointed by the Chair of the NSTAB.

Article IV Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 1 Amendment of Bylaws

These Bylaws will be evaluated as determined necessary by the NSTAB. A two-thirds majority of the voting membership may amend a bylaw. A two-thirds majority of the voting members present may suspend a bylaw for the purpose of a single meeting.