



STATEWIDE ONE-CALL NOTIFICATION CENTER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 08/06/2025

APPROVED

**LOCATION:**

Southeast Community College Continuing Education Center  
301 S 68<sup>th</sup> St Place, Room 302  
Lincoln, NE

Committee Meetings: 8:00 AM

Board Meeting 9:00 AM

**1. Call Meeting to Order – 9:04 AM**

- 1.1. **Housekeeping** – Nathan Stewart spoke.
- 1.2. **Meeting Notice** – Nathan Stewart spoke.
- 1.3. **Announcements**—The meeting notes were published in the Lincoln Journal Star on July 24, 2025, and posted to the Nebraska 811 website on July 15, 2025.

**2. Roll Call**

- 2.1. **Voting members present** – Jerry Augustyn, Barry Scott, Brad Kingery, Linda Costello, Patrick Hintz, Ed Jarrett, Dan Maschka, Brandon Jones, James Saville, Steve Slezak, John Buckley, Chris Jacobsen, Tim Loberg, Chad Roberts, BJ Woehler, and Nathan Stewart.
- 2.2. **Voting members absent** – Adam Darbo, and Andy Hartman.
- 2.3. **Other Present**
  - State Fire Marshal's Office – Kevin Bumgardner.
  - Attorney General's Office – N/A
  - Technical Advisor – Regina Shields
  - OCC Staff – Matt Ruddo, Jill Geyer, Tyler Nesheim, and Catherine Adams
  - Public Attendance – Samantha Harris (Lincoln Electric Systems), and Austin Santana (Pinpoint Fiber)

**3. Introductions and Public Comment** – Brad Kingery, a new board member, introduced himself.

**4. Approval of Meeting Agenda**

- 4.1. **Motion to Approve:** Brandon Jones **Second:** Chad Roberts
  - **Voting Yes** - Jerry Augustyn, Barry Scott, Linda Costello, Patrick Hintz, Ed Jarrett, Dan Maschka, Brandon Jones, James Saville, Steve Slezak, John Buckley, Chris Jacobsen, Tim Loberg, Chad Roberts, BJ Woehler, and Nathan Stewart.
  - **Abstain** – Brad Kingery
  - **Voting No** - none
  - **Voting Members Absent** - Adam Darbo, and Andy Hartman.

**5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- 5.1. There were a couple of corrections made to the minutes before they got approved.
- 5.2. **Motion to approve the minutes from last meeting with discussed edits** - Jerry Augustyn, Barry Scott, Brad Kingery, Linda Costello, Patrick Hintz, Ed Jarrett, Dan Maschka, Brandon Jones, James Saville, Steve Slezak, John Buckley, Tim Loberg, and Nathan Stewart.
  - **Abstain** - Chris Jacobsen, Chad Roberts, and BJ Woehler
  - **Voting No** - none



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- **Voting Members Absent** – Adam Darbo, and Andy Hartman.

**6. Public Comment –**

6.1. No public comment. However, everyone from the public introduced themselves.

**7. Committee Reports**

- 7.1. **Policy Committee** (Steve Slezak) - there was a policy committee held several weeks before this meeting regarding the Records and Information Plan (RIMP). At that meeting, several topics were discussed. However, the result of that meeting was that we decided to talk about how to handle R.I.M.P. at the board meeting. There was a lot of discussion and disagreement during the board meeting. The discussion revolved around how much, if any, information should be given to customers who call in requesting it. OCC says this policy is important because they need to know how to handle inquiries about who is digging. It isn't OCC's decision, and they want a direction. There were many suggestions on how to handle the information release. The result of the discussion was that the policy committee will bring something to the board for a vote to finalize the policy.
- 7.2. **Legislative Committee** (Andy Hartman) – There was discussion about the Legislative Report that is due in December of 2025. Nate said he would help Andy take on the task.
- 7.3. **Advertising Committee** (Linda Costello) - NE811 will be the technology sponsor for the Omaha Parks and Recreation golf outing. It will deliver ads on the golf phone app and score cards. We discussed Super Novas and how good an advertising partner they have been. There were also some other advertising discussions.
- 7.4. **By-Laws Committee** (Chris Jacobsen) – We reviewed the proposed by-law changes related to travel, including how to submit expenses and the allowed amounts for traveling to board meetings. Chris also created a form for recording all travel expenses. At the next meeting, Chris will bring a proposal for airfare and details on how much NE811 will cover for a board member, along with possible rules for air travel.
- 7.5. There was a motion to approve the new written by-laws as they are written.
- 7.6. **Motion Approve:** B.J. Woehler **Second:** John Buckley
- **Voting Yes** - Jerry Augustyn, Barry Scott, Brad Kingery, Linda Costello, Patrick Hintz, Ed Jarrett, Dan Maschka, Brandon Jones, James Saville, Steve Slezak, John Buckley, Chris Jacobsen, Tim Loberg, Chad Roberts, BJ Woehler, and Nathan Stewart.
  - **Voting No** – none
  - **Voting Members Absent** - Adam Darbo, and Andy Hartman.

**8. Damage Prevention Resource Center**

- 8.1. **DPRC Status Report** (Catherine Adams) (See report) Catherine reviewed the OCC ticket report (see report). The main point is that the ticket count for 2025 was 2.4% higher than that of 2024.
- 8.2. **Advertising/Education/Outreach** (Jill Geyer) (See report) Jill reviewed the grant application page and noted that NE811 will not receive all the grant funds for the 2025 grants as we have in previous years. She discussed a few outreach programs that we will not be able to participate in because of a shortfall in grant money. Jill also reviewed past and future outreach and advertising.
- 8.3. **One Call Concepts** (Matt Ruddo) Matt introduced Corrine Sullivan. He said she would help organize and plan the 2026 Nebraska Safety Summit. Corrine stood up and said a few words. He reminded us of the upcoming Users Group Conference in Nashville from September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>.

**9. Treasurer Report and Approval** (Linda Costello) Linda reviewed the report and answered questions as they came up (see report).

- 9.1 There was a motion to approve the treasurer's report.
- 9.2 **Motion Approve:** Chris Jacobsen **Second:** Ed Jarrett



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- **Voting No** - none
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**10. State Fire Marshal’s Report**

- 10.1. Chief Deputy Report (Kevin Bumgardner) – He talked about the problem Nebraska is having with refresh tickets. He asked if there was a way to make the caller (after a certain amount of time) create a new ticket instead of a refresh ticket. The SFM wants to reduce the number of refresh tickets and adjust the scope of work accordingly. There was some discussion by the board on refresh tickets.
- 10.2. **Damage Prevention Deputy Report** (Kevin Bumgardner) – The SFM has been meeting with more and more contractors in the state of Nebraska. He also discussed the Underground Excavation Safety Committee (UESC) and introduced Roger Peek, the NE811 investigator.
- 10.3. **Technical Advisor Report** (Regina Shields) – Regina touched on the fact that the SFM office received notification from the Governor's office requesting any topics from the board that we want to bring up in the 2026 legislative session. She also discussed the withholding of funds from NE811 because the SFM office needs the funds. Regina also touched on the new board members. All the NE811 board positions are now full.

**11. Attorney General’s Report –**

- 11.1. There was no Attorney General’s report. Instead, there was a discussion about removing this report from the agenda and adding a report from the Underground Excavation Safety Committee. Brandon briefly discussed what the UESC has been doing over the past few months.

**12. Old Business**

- 12.1. The old business on the agenda was already covered while discussing other agenda items.

**13. New Business**

- 13.1. Elections were held for President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.
- 13.2. The results were as follows.
  - Secretary – Steve Slezak was nominated, and he declined. Brandon Jones was nominated, and he accepted. Brandon was voted unanimously as the next secretary.
  - Treasurer – Linda Costello was nominated, and she accepted the nomination. She was unanimously voted in as the next treasurer.
  - Vice-President - Ed Jarrett was nominated, and he accepted the nomination. He was unanimously voted in as the next Vice-President
  - President - Nathan Stewart was nominated, and he accepted the nomination. He was unanimously voted in as the next President

**14. Closing Comments from the Board President** (Nathan Stewart) – no closing comments

**The next meeting will be on November 19, 2025, at the Southeast Community College Continuing Education Center.**

**15. Adjournment** – occurred at 12:33 PM

- 15.1. **Motion Approve:** Steve Slezak **Second:** Brandon Jones