The South Dakota Board of Technical Education (BOTE) and Board of Education Standards (BOES) joint meeting was called to order by Sabers at approximately 10:01 a.m. Central Time.

Welcome and introductions by Sabers

Presentation of agenda by Nick Wendell, Executive Director, BOTE.

Tiffany Sanderson, Secretary, DOE gave a brief presentation on building up our K-12 students to prepare for transitioning to adulthood. Sanderson stated that there are many successful elements in the system but acknowledges that there are also gaps. Sanderson hoped that the meeting today would give the participants a renewed commitment to reaching all South Dakota students and focusing on those students who may be missing connections to opportunities that are available. Sanderson added information on the impact of the pandemic on students including the increase in long term absences, interest by 16- and 17-year-old students looking for alternate options to completing high school. Sanderson charged the groups today to think about non-traditional paths to help students complete their degrees and enter the workforce.

Laura Scheibe, Division Director, Division of College, Career and Student Success, DOE gave a brief presentation on the DOES’ work focusing on K-12 student success. Scheibe noted the name change of her division adding an emphasis on Student Success. DOE’s focus is to make sure that students are equipped with skills to succeed to graduation, and to succeed after graduation, whether that is to post-secondary programs or directly to the workforce.
Wendell, (BOTE) presented on how the Technical Colleges see trends effecting South Dakota education and how they may affect the delivery of education programs in the long term.

Small group Breakout sessions.

Breakout groups gave overview of their discussions.

Wendell closed out the meeting with a thank you to the boards.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:02 p.m. CT.

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Executive Secretary BOES