

WACCT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 16, 2025
GILLETTE COLLEGE

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by WACCT President Don Erickson at 4:00 pm.

Those present:

Don Erickson, LCCC

Bob Salazar, LCCC

Mark Wurzel, NWC

Larry Smith, GCCD

Katherine Patrick, EWC

Tracy Swanson, Sheridan

Dr. Joe Schaffer, LCCC

Ellis Day, GCCD

Dr. Janelle Oberlander, GCCD

Tiffany Marshall, WWCC

Dr. Jeff Hawes, EWC

Dale Bohren, CC

Erin Taylor, WACCT

Craig Tolman, CWC

Dr. Brandan Kosine, CC

Ernie Over, CWC

Denise Laursen, NWC

Dr. Brandon Kosine, CC

Brad Cundy, CC

Dr. Ben Moritz, WCCC

Dr. Lisa Watson, NWC

Dr. Kathy Wells, CWC

Dr. Kirk Young, WWCC

After introductions, a motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the April 16th meeting as amended.

There was no objection to the March 25, 2025, WACCT Executive Committee meeting minutes and February 6, 2024, WACCT Board meeting minutes.

Financials:

Trustee Smith and Executive Director Taylor explained the year-to-date profit and loss and balance sheet and gave an update on the 2025/2026 budget drafting process, noting that FY 2026 dues must come from the college foundations. Finally, Trustee Salazar gave a summary of the plan for the WACCT Executive Director's annual review process and board self-evaluation. He encouraged the two WACCT representatives from each college to work together on the ED responses. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports as presented.**

Advocacy

The Executive Director Report referenced her report that was included in the board packet and added the following issues:

- Post session download

- Interim topics
- Reception for the Joint Education Committee
 - Aiming for the August 21-22 meeting in Casper (also adjacent to the WCCC special budget meeting)
- WACCT Advocacy workshop
 - Weave into the August 21-22 JEIC/WCCC meetings in Casper
- Outline topics for a WACCT road show to visit with legislators
- WACCT ED will spearhead a subcommittee to develop a process for taking positions on legislation and developing guiding principles. Present at the June meeting.
 - Trustees Swanson, Erickson, Wurzel, WACCT ED Erin Taylor and Dr. Tribley

Other Business

The following topics were discussed under other business:

- Support from Linden, resources for Trustees, and updates to the WACCT website.

New Business

The board discussed the impacts on tuition and costs for students attending college.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 pm