

WACCT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 16, 2026

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by WACCT President Mark Wurzel at 11:33am.

Those present:

Erin Taylor, WACCT

Bob Salazar, LCCC

Mark Wurzel, NWC

Larry Smith, GCCD

Brad Cundy, CC

Dr. Brandon Kosine, CC

Dr. Lisa Watson, NWC

Tiffany Marshall, WWCC

Robbie Lee, WWCC

Dr. Kirk Young, WWCC

Elaine Henry, Sheridan College

Denise Laursen, NWC

Tracy Swanson, Sheridan College

Doug Mercer, EWC

Craig Tolman, CWC

Dale Bohren, CC

Dr. Laurel Ballard, WCCC

Ernie Over, CWC

Wendy Smith, Sheridan College

Ellis Day, Gillette College

Dr. Walt Tribley, Sheridan College

Rob Dennis, WCCC

Dr. Brad Tyndall CWC

Brittney Leasure, WCCC

Dr. Janell Oberlander, GCCD

Katherine Patrick, EWC

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

There was no objection to the April 6, 2026, WACCT Executive Committee meeting minutes and February 11, 2025, WACCT Board meeting minutes.

Financials:

Trustee Smith and Executive Director Taylor provided an overview of the year-to-date profit and loss statement, balance sheet, and projected year-end financials. They also updated the Board on the work Linden is conducting under its contract, including the shift toward property tax education efforts. The Board discussed WACCT's and the colleges' roles in the property tax initiative coalition and asked questions regarding anticipated needs. Treasurer Smith and Executive Director Taylor were directed to begin developing the draft 2026–2027 budget so the Board can evaluate resource requirements for the property tax campaign. Trustee Salazar and Executive Director Taylor also reviewed the evaluation process for the Executive Director

position. **After careful consideration and discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the financial reports.**

Advocacy

In the Executive Director's Report, Ms. Taylor provided updates on interim legislative committee work, the redesign of the property tax resource page on the WACCT website by Linden, and ongoing discussions related to the property tax initiative campaign. Following several questions, the Board and the Presidents present agreed that WACCT and the colleges will participate in the official campaign once additional information becomes available.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm.