

WACCT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 4, 2026
SHERIDAN COLLEGE

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by WACCT President Mark Wurzel at 9:02am.

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

Dr. Walt Tribley, Sheridan College

Dr. Kirk Young, WWCC

Elaine Henry, Sheridan College

Denise Laursen, NWC

Tracy Swanson, Sheridan College

Craig Tolman, CWC

Dale Bohren, CC

Dr. Laurel Ballard, WCCC

Ernie Over, CWC

Wendy Smith, Sheridan College

Don Erickson, LCCC

Dr. Joe Schaffer, LCCC

Dr. Brad Tyndall, CWC

Dr. Janell Oberlander, GCCD

Katherine Patrick, EWC

After introductions, a motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the June 4th meeting.

There was no objection to the May 20, 2026, WACCT Executive Committee meeting minutes and April 16, 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. **After careful consideration and discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the financial reports.**

Trustee Smith and Ms. Taylor then walked the Board through the proposed budget for FY 2026/2027 with special attention to continued use of the special assessment from this fiscal year for Linden work, eliminating the Joint Education Committee reception, and future considerations

for potential dues increases. **After considerable discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the 2026/2027 budget.**

Advocacy

In the Executive Director's Report, Ms. Taylor asked for reflection on the legislative luncheon hosted with WACTE, and provided updates on the work on the property tax initiative campaign, including the idea of passing a resolution opposing the initiative at the next WACCT Board meeting.

Other Business

Finally, Ms. Taylor announced that ACCT award submissions were due on June 22, 2026, and Trustee Salazar led the discussion about Ms. Taylor's year-end evaluation

There being no other business, a motion was made to go into executive session to discuss personnel/staff at 11:20am. The executive session ended at 11:44am and the meeting was adjourned at 11:46am.