

NICOLET COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 15, 2025

1. **CALL TO ORDER/OPEN MEETING STATEMENT**

Board Chair Dall called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Board members present: Eric Burke, Abbey Dall, Dianne Lazear, Bob Martini, Bob Mott, Joe Salzer, Melinda Young, Jacob Wojcik, Student Representative

Also present: President Ferrel, Al Javoroski, Heather Schallock, Jeremy VanCamp, Jenna Allen, Megan Gerber, Gary Zarda, Patrick Burns, Angelo Guercio, Keeley Coffman, Kailey Kupfer

Recorder: Kris Peeters

Notice of the meeting was provided to the media and posted.

3. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Peeters reported there were no requests for public input.

MOTION: LAZEAR MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MARTINI, THAT THE NICOLET COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

4. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

*5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting March 18, 2025

6. Ratification of HSED Contracts and Credit-Based High School Program Contracts – **No Contracts**

*7. Ratification of Business, Industry, and Government Contracts 2025-0084 through 2025-0086

*8. Recap of Expenses, Status of College Accounts, Operational Cost Recap of Expenses, and Approval of Bills Payable

*9. Employee Hires and Exits, March 2025

MOTION: LAZEAR MADE A MOTION SECONDED BY BURKE THAT THE NICOLET COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

10. **WTCS Tuition Briefing:** Paul Hammer, WTCS Executive Vice President provided a Tuition Background/Overview presentation

11. **Student Update:** Jacob Wojcik, Nicolet College Board of Trustees Student Representative provided an update about the formation of a Student Garden Club.

12. **Ambassador(s) Overview and Introductions:** Heather Schallock, Nicolet College Vice President of Community Engagement and Executive Director of the Nicolet College Foundation, introduced the Foundation Student Ambassador, Kailey Kupfer. Angelo Guercio, Enrollment Services Specialist, introduced Keely Coffman, Nicolet College Student Ambassador.

13. **Budget Update:** Megan Gerber, Vice President of Finance & College Operations, updated the Board on the budget.

14. **President's Update:** Kate Ferrel, President, briefed the Board on Commencement, pertinent higher education landscape updates, and the City of Rhinelander's interest in pursuing a municipal well.

15. **Items for Information Only – Not for Board Action**

HLC Review Tuesday, April 15, 2025 @ 8 a.m.

*Market Research Update

2025 Board Appointment Process

- Subject to ratification by the WTCS Board on May 20, 2025, the following individuals were selected by the County Board Representatives:
 - Abbey Dall, Employer Member (7/1/2025 – 6/30/2028)
 - Tony Pharo, Additional Member (7/1/2025 – 6/30/2028)
 - James (Jim) Muleady, Employee Member (7/1/2025 – 6/30/2028)
 - Scott Sievert, *Interim Employer Member (7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027)

Commencement

Saturday, May 3 at Nicolet College – Lakeside Center Theatre – 9 am, 11 am, and 1 pm

District Boards Association

- Upcoming Events: <https://districtboards.org/upcoming-events>
- DBA Board Meeting Monday, April 28th | 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
 - Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87938649203>
 - Meeting ID: 879 3864 9203
 - Passcode: 963059

ACCT

- [Annual Leadership Congress – New Orleans 10/22-10/25](#) – Please discuss your interest in attending with President Ferrel

2025 Board Meeting Schedule

- May 20
- June 17
- July 14 – Annual Organizational Meeting

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

A preliminary budget session for the Board of Trustees (both in person and virtual) will be on May 22 at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

BURKE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, SECONDED BY LAZEAR. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:18 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.