

**WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**May 12, 2026**

Mr. Hennessey, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at Western Technical College, Administrative Center, 111 7th St, Rm 408, La Crosse, WI. Board members present: R. Alderson, J. Dillin, C. Doering III, J. Felton, M. Greendeer-Rave, K. Hennessey, K. Peterson, M. Wolf, and Roger Stanford, President. Excused: M. Skarlupka.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on May 17, 2026, at 4:50 p.m., and the agenda was distributed to interested people via the district's official newspaper (The La Crosse Tribune) and to other news media throughout the district, in compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.81-19.98.

Others present were J. Pintz, W. Hackbarth, A. Thornton, R. Hopkins, J. Heath, T. Dryden, L. Wallace, J. Gamer, M. Krogman, B. Shane, E. Nesius, J. Schreiner, C. Heit, and K. Guetschow (Western employees). D. Olson (Western student).

Motion Peterson, seconded by Greendeer-Rave, to approve the resolution of commendations for 1. Jerome Martin. Motion carried. 8/0/0

Presentations included Thornton and Krogman introducing our 2026-27 student ambassador, Dawson Olson, who then shared a little bit about his platform. Wallace provided information on what has happened in the grants department over the past year, what they are working on, and some future possibilities. Shane and Guetschow shared the work that has been done and will be done because of the Title III grant. Heath and Doering shared that the finalists will be announced later in the week. Doering provided an update from the Budget and Facilities subcommittee, where they reviewed the 3-year facilities plan and received updates on current and upcoming projects. No action taken. *Dillin excused at 4:00 pm.*

Motion Wolf, seconded by Doering, that the Board approve the following consent items as presented: 1. a. Apr 17, 2026, Reg Meeting Minutes, 2. a. Vendors Over \$2,500-Apr 2026, b. Capital Project Reports-Apr 2026, 3. a. DHHS & Dept of Ed CCAMPIS (4yr), b. FY2026-27 AE ELL Leadership Grant, c. Dept of Labor & Dept of Ed SCC6 (4yr). Motion carried. 7/0/0.

Motion Peterson, seconded by Greendeer-Rave, that the Board approve the FY 2026-27 Fees and Rates as presented. Motion approved. 7/0/0.

Roll Call: Motion Greendeer-Rave, seconded by Peterson, to approve and adopt the total salary increase and the salary range adjustment (1.5%) for FY 2026-27. R. Alderson, Y; Doering III, Y; J. Felton, Y; M. Greendeer-Rave, Y; K. Hennessey, Y; K. Peterson, Y; M. Wolf, Y. Motion passed. 7/0/0

President's Report: Stanford shared additional student capstone/graduation celebrations across campus, including the new faculty experience celebration for those in years 1-3 of teaching, and the HSED/GED graduation celebration on 5/14. He shared information about the District Boards Association annual fees and reminded the group that the new director will be visiting us in July. And share a brief legislative update.

District Board Chairperson's report: Reminded members of the DBA's Trustee Tuesday meetings, and of Plus Delta feedback, if you have any.

4:11 p.m. Motion Wolf, seconded by Greendeer-Rave; Roll Call to close session: R. Alderson, Y; Doering III, Y; J. Felton, Y; M. Greendeer-Rave, Y; K. Hennessey, Y; K. Peterson, Y; M. Wolf, Y. Motion approved 7/0/0. No action taken.

4:45 p.m. Motion Peterson seconded by Greendeer-Rave to adjourn. Motion carried. 7/0/0.

  
Ken Peterson, Secretary