

WETCC Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Friday January 9, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

In-person and Virtual Meeting

Approved updated version March 13, 2026

In Attendance: Allen Derks, Tammy Bellanger, Laura Driscoll, Naabek Liberty, Monica Hedstrom, Dana Goodwin, Billie Annette, Kennedy Heisler, Kris Manning, and Leann Person

Meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

- I. Naabek began with a prayer and offered tobacco. Attendees recited the vision statement in Ojibwe with Naabek's help. Attendees recited the mission statement.

II. Approval/Amendments Agenda

Action Item E was moved under Financials

Motion to approve with one change. **(Monica motioned, Leann seconded)**

Approved

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve **(Leann motioned, Billie seconded)** Approved

IV. Public Comments N/A

V. Informational Items

A. Financials

- I. Profit & Loss Summary
- II. Monthly Bank Transactions
- III. Foundation Statement
- IV. Grant Approval Forms with no cost sharing: N/A
- V. Bank signature cards- Deb at United Valley Bank was supposed to send an email to bank signers. Kennedy will follow up with Deb. Kennedy asked BOT members to confirm when they have responded to Deb's email.

B. Cabinet Reports

VI. Action Items

- A. Grant Approval Forms with cost sharing: N/A
- B. Large Expenditures: CLA Auditors \$55,000. Motion to pay Clifton Larson Allen **(Monica motioned, Kris seconded)** Approved
- C. TCU Futures Project- board participation time commitment update. A motion was made for the BOT to participate. **(Billie motioned, Kris seconded)** Approved
- D. MN Department of Administration Office of Grants Management Policy 08-01 & Conflict of Interest Policy for State Grant Making- confirmation of board compliance.

VII. Other

- A. AIHEC Legislative Summit, February 3-6, 2026, Washington DC (open to board members). Allen is required to attend. Motion to approve Allen going. **(Leann motioned, Monica seconded)** Approved

VIII. Executive Session

- A. Presidential search. Will go into a closed session.

IX. Calendar Updates

- A. Next BOT Meeting. February 13, 2026, 9:00 a.m.
- B. Set date for election of officers. It was decided to do election of officers at this time.
 - Chair- Nominations **(Billie nominated Dana, Kris seconded)**. Dana accepted. Approved
 - Secretary- **(Billie nominated Leann, Kris seconded)**. Leann declined. **(Billie nominated Kris, Leann seconded)**. Kris accepted. Approved
 - Treasurer- **(Leann nominated Monica, Billie seconded)**. Monica accepted. Approved

X. Adjournment

- Motion to go to Executive Session. **(Leann motioned, Kris seconded)** Approved.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.,