



NWCCD Mission

NWCCD welcomes all learners, empowers student success, and encourages and strengthens community development.

NORTHERN WYOMING COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Special Meeting

Thursday, October 30, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

Sheridan College in Johnson County, Bomber Mountain Civic Center
63 N. Burritt Ave., Buffalo, WY 82834, Room 103

Trustees Present

Tracy Swanson, Chair
Elaine Henry, Vice Chair
Ward Cotton, Secretary
Bob Leibrich, Treasurer
Chuck Holloway
Gary Reynolds
Tom Ringley

Trustees Absent

Advisory Board Representative Present

Cindy Kremers, Chair, SC in Johnson County Advisory Board

Advisory Board Representative Absent

Administration Present

Dr. Walt Tribley, President
Craig Achord, Vice President of Administrative Services & CFO
Jennifer Crouse, Sheridan College Foundation Executive Director
Dr. Estella Castillo-Garrison, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Micah Olsen, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs
Wendy Smith, Vice President of Community Engagement, Strategic Communications & PIO
Robert Briggs, Associate Vice President for Institutional Research

Others Present

Clint Langer, NWCCD Board Counsel	Hector Martinez	Steve Miller	Charlez Auzqui
Jack Tarter	Marcia Schiffer	Amanda Monterastelli	Haley Berry
Aaron Palmer	Roxanne Ostlind		

Recorder

Andrea Morgan

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call – Special Meeting**
Chair Swanson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There was a quorum.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Agenda Approval**

Dr. Tribley recommended removing item 4 from the agenda because there is another opportunity for public comment later in the agenda, item 5c. Trustee Cotton moved to approve the agenda as amended, and Trustee Henry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Public Comments – Item removed. See item 5c for public comments made.

5. New Business

a. Executive Session – The Board entered into Executive Session to discuss real estate as outlined in W.S. Statute 16-4-405 (a)(vii). – Information & Discussion

Trustee Henry moved and Trustee Ringley seconded that the Board enter Executive Session. The motion carried. TIME: 4:02 p.m.

Trustee Henry moved to exit Executive Session, and Trustee Cotton seconded. The motion carried. TIME: 4:15 p.m.

b. Summary of Potential Land Purchase – Information

Dr. Tribley recommended to the Board that they approve the purchase of property adjacent to Buffalo High School to build a facility there to serve the students of Johnson County. The purchase includes 11 acres of land for approximately \$399,000.00. A steering committee and design committee would be created to inform the process with representation from Johnson County stakeholders. The intent would be to be able to offer CTE and other Sheridan College programs in Johnson County.

c. Public Comment Related to Potential Land Purchase – Information

Superintendent Auzqui and Advisory Board Chair Kremers spoke in favor of the purchase.

Trustee Henry commended President Tribley on his initiative in support of Johnson County. Several other Trustees said a few words in support of the decision to purchase the land. Chair Swanson talked about this decision as one that will be recognized in the future as a great step forward.

d. Consideration of Action Resulting from Executive Session – Action

Trustee Henry moved to approve the purchase of property, and Trustee Holloway seconded. The motion carried.

6. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Ward Cotton
NWCCD Board of Trustees, Secretary


Tracy Swanson
NWCCD Board of Trustees, Chair