



NWCCD Mission

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

NORTHERN WYOMING COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Joint Board Meeting

April 24, 2026, 11:30 a.m.

Sheridan College – Mars Agriculture Center (MAC) – Room 211

NWCCD Trustees Present

Tracy Swanson, Chair
Elaine Henry, Vice Chair
Ward Cotton, Secretary
Bob Leibrich, Treasurer
Tom Ringley

SCF Board Members Present

Advisory Board Representative Present

Cindy Kremers, Chair, SC in Johnson County Advisory Board

Administration Present

Dr. Walt Tribley, President
Craig Achord, Vice President of Administrative Services & CFO
Jennifer Crouse, Sheridan College Foundation Executive Director
Wendy Smith, Vice President of Community Engagement, Strategic Communications & PIO

Recorder


Andrea Morgan

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call** – Chair Swanson called the meeting to order. There was a quorum. The Boards shared lunch together until 11:48 a.m., and then the meeting presentation began.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. College Update on Foreseeable Opportunities & Challenges in the Near Future** – Information
Dr. Tribley discussed possible financial challenges due to the loss of some residential tax revenue and the eventual loss of revenue from NWCCD courses being taught in Gillette. He gave a detailed presentation on many good things happening in the District including the Strategic Plan to 2030, out of state enrollment, the science center remodel and addition, and the SC in Johnson County Center for Higher Education.
- 4. Science Center Update** – Information
- 5. Sheridan College in Johnson County Center for Higher Education Information and Requests** – Information. Dr. Tribley further discussed the SC center for higher education in Johnson County. He proposed a shared cost, risk, and reward for the project. He discussed the vision for the center and how it could benefit the students and community of Johnson County. Dr. Tribley

requested that the SCF pay for 50% of the cost of design and construction (\$3.5 million). As part of the agreement with the SCF, Sheridan College would transfer ownership of the land and the building to the SCF. In preliminary discussions with Executive Director Crouse, this request could be met without significantly reducing the current assets held by the SCF. The SCF Board will consider his proposal and options for support.

6. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


~~Ward Cotton~~ *Chuck Holloway*
NWCCD Board of Trustees, Secretary
Trustee


Tracy Swanson
NWCCD Board of Trustees, Chair