

LABETTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Board of Trustees Minutes
June 12, 2025

The Board of Trustees met at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at the Cardinal Event Center.

Members Present

Greg Chalker (via Zoom)
Becky Dantic (left meeting at 6:39 p.m.)
Carl Hoskins
Rod Landrum
Montie Taylor
David Winchell

Others Present

Dr. Mark Watkins	Dr. Jason Sharp	Leanna Doherty	Kelly Kirkpatrick (via Zoom)
Theresa Hundley	Dr. Ken Elliott	Lindi Forbes	Kevin Doherty
Randee Baty	Ray Nolting	Scott Ozier	Elizabeth Robinson

Heidi Flora recorded the minutes.

Adoption of Agenda (ACTION ITEM)

Chair Dantic asked for changes or additions to the meeting agenda. There were none. Trustee Hoskins moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Trustee Winchell seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Chair Dantic asked for corrections or additions to the May 8, 2025, regular meeting minutes. There were none. Trustee Landrum moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Taylor seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0.

Reports and/or Board Discussion

Faculty Senate Report: None

Student Government Report: None

Administrative Report:

Comparison of Expenditures to Budget - The May financial report was placed on the tables. At the end of May, we were 92% through the year. The general fund was 86% expended, and the technical education/vocational fund was 89% expended. Vice-President Doherty invited questions from the Trustees.

Insurance Renewal – Vice President Doherty presented the insurance premium comparison received from Wood Insurance that shows a 6% increase overall.

Trustee Hoskins moved to approve the new premium. Trustee Landrum seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

Facilities Report: Kevin Doherty, Facilities Director, reported on some HVAC issues at the Zetmeir building. He is waiting on additional information to proceed. He also reported that 75% of the HVAC dampers in the Main Building, Hughes Building, and the Student Success Center are not currently working correctly. He stated that a Johnson Controls representative was recently on campus.

Power washing the Student Success Center and annex roofs has been delayed due to rain.

Kevin also shared that the new van has been having some issues. Mike Carpino, the dealership it was purchased from has been notified, however, they have been extremely busy and unable to get to it as of yet. Kevin also said they would be selling some of the old vans soon.

And, finally, he reported the three additional offices in the Student Success Center are near completion. This project was done in-house for less than \$10,000.

President's Report: Vice President Kirkpatrick discussed a new federal bill and how it could affect TRIO funding for Talent Search and Student Success Services programs and in turn how this would affect LCC.

VP Kirkpatrick also expressed her concern for proposed changes to Pell Grant eligibility and award amounts and gave examples of what effect it would have on LCC students.

Dr. Watkins reported that Clint Morris was putting together information for a renewable energy system for LCC. This was a suggestion made by Trustee Chalker.

Dr. Watkins shared that Becky Dantic and Rod Landrum had both registered to run for LCC Board re-election this year. He said this still leaves one vacancy where a "write-in" candidate could run.

He also mentioned that the LCC campus would be closed on June 19 in celebration of Juneteenth and also the week of June 30-July 3 for summer break.

The 2025 Radiography graduates had a 100% pass rate on their national boards!

Finally, Dr. Watkins shared plans to move future commencements to the LCC gymnasium. He cited several reasons for this decision which include self-sufficiency, weather, capacity, and allow the student graduates' family members the opportunity to attend and visit our campus.

Dr. Sharp gave an HLC update and provided handouts outlining institutional learning outcomes and updated criteria for accreditation.

New Business (ACTION, INFORMATION, OR DISCUSSION ITEMS)

Staff Employment Letter

Trustee Taylor moved to approve the employment letter for Morgan Augustine, Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program Specialist, to begin June 9, 2025, at a salary of \$33,209/annually. Trustee Hoskins seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

Jock's Nitch/Adidas Contract

Information was presented regarding the new five-year Jock's Nitch/Adidas contract. Scott Ozier, Manager for Jock's Nitch was in attendance to answer any questions.

Approval of Bills

Trustee Hoskins moved to approve the Claims Register. Trustee Winchell seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

Faculty Retirement

Trustee Taylor moved to release Archana Lal from her contract as Biology Instructor and accept her letter of retirement, effective July 31, 2025. Trustee Landrum seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment

Elizabeth Robison discussed additional grant information, graduation stats, and pathways.

Trustee Hoskins shared his appreciation for the administration and their efforts to stay on top of all the federal changes.

Adjournment

Trustee Hoskins moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. Trustee Taylor seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

Heidi Flora, Clerk of the Board