
DCC Board of Trustees

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: September 22, 2025

Meeting Location: DCC Board Room

Approval: FINAL

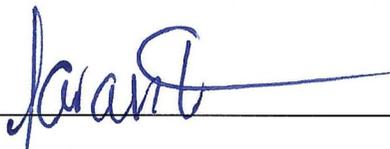
Recorded By: Breann Miller

Attendance for the September 22, 2025, Board of Trustee Meeting

Name	Title/Organization	Present
Cindy Larsen	Chair	Yes
Sarah Thorson	Vice Chair	Yes
Gloria Garceau-Glaser	Trustee	Yes
Brendan Heidner	Trustee	No
Sandy Johnson	Trustee	Yes
Lesley Gibbs	Trustee	Yes
Chad Knudson	President of DCC	Yes
Becky Smith	Dean of Finance and Operations	Yes
Daisy Nyberg	Dean of People and Culture	No
BreAnn Miller	Interim Dean of Academic Affairs /DCC ALO	Yes
Joe Peterson	AD	Yes
Community Members		
Jamie Crisafulli	Ranger Review	Yes
Jon Fitch	Dawson County Resident	Yes
Dennis Harp	DC Foundation	Yes
Jace Jarrett	Student/ASB	Yes
Victoria Takes Enemy	Student/ASB	Yes
Allie Rodgers	Student/ASB	Yes
Taylor Evans	Student/ASB	Yes
Dominick Ryan	Student/ASB	Yes



 Cindy Larsen, Chair



 Sarah Thorson, Vice Chair

Dawson Community College Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Monday, September 22, 2025, at 5:33 pm
Recorded by Breann Miller

Meeting called to order by Chair Larsen at 5:33 pm.

I. Introductions

The ASB leadership team came to introduce themselves. Taylor Evans ASB President, Allie Rogers ASB Vice-President, Victoria Takes-Enemy ASB Secretary, Jace Jarrett ASB Treasurer, Dominick Ryan ASB Senator. One of their goals is to make the student lounge more accessible while there are time limitations to the cafeteria.

Introductions were made around the room.

II. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for this month.

III. Minutes

Trustee Thorson moved to approve the Special Board Meeting. Seconded by Trustee Johnson. Amend the minutes to read that Trustee Heidner moved the motion to approve the budget. The motion passed.

Trustee Thorson moved and Trustee Garceau-Glaser seconded to approve the regular board meeting minutes of August 25. The motion passed.

IV. Reports

President Knudson stated that the school year has started out well. Census day was last Wednesday. We are seeing a great increase in FTE and headcount. We have 10-week courses starting on Monday, Winter Session, and Dual Enrollment are not reflected in those numbers.

Board of Regents last week. Most of the campuses reported that their enrollment is the flat. The budget was approved at that meeting. All things AI were discussed. Everyone is trying to get their arms around the rapidly evolving tools and issues.

Bruce Miller hand delivered the bus title. It was mistakenly sent to his address.

OCHE will have personnel on campus tomorrow for a regional Perkins meeting. They will be going over the CLNA (Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment). They are trying to work on a regional approach, instead of individual.

2nd Annual Cultivating Careers event is planned for Wednesday. Middle Schools and High Schools from the region are coming in to view this. OCHE members will be here to see this event in action.

USDA Auditor on campus today for the loan on Kettner Hall. This was a more comprehensive report than in the past. USDA was one part of the financing package; we need to look at moving that loan into a commercial loan.

Indigenous Peoples Club is working on an Indigenous People's Day program. Jon Fitch and Lee Sutton are working on a presentation for the event that tie mathematical concepts to the grant that Jon worked on last year.

Financial Auditors will be here this week to work on the audits. We do have one employee on paid administrative leave. If there are any questions, please let President Knudson know.

Finance Committee meeting. The reversion is due October 15. This is a large amount of money that was budgeted for, but will strap us for cash in the short term. Cody Sevier gave some options of how to manage that. Withdrawal from the Ullman fund. We have historically done this at the end of the year, but nothing says that it couldn't be done prior to that. Our investment has done quite well this year, but there is anticipation of some market turbulence, so doing some market correction could be a possibility.

The HR Community has been dissolved and will be replaced by the Community Engagement Committee. Trustees Garceau-Glaser, Heidner, and Johnson will meet the second Wednesday at noon.

There is an HR report. Dawson Promise has been filled and the Registrar position has been filled.

Policy committee did not meet.

V. Public Comment

Chair Larsen called for public comment, there was none.

VI. New Business

FY26 program development dispersal. President Knudson recommended to cash out the CDs. Trustee Thorson moved to cash the CDs for the FY26 program development dispersal and seconded by Trustee Johnson. Motion passed.

President Knudson recommended that the year-to-date gains be dispersed and leave the rest in the market. Trustee Thorson moved to capture the year-to-date equity gains to rebalance the portfolio Trustee Garceau-Glaser. These will be moved into CDs before the end of the fiscal year. Motion passed.

President Knudson did not have a chance to meet with Todd Thompson to talk about this. Most of the items were in pretty good shape. Resealing around windows, there were some potential items on the diamond practice facility. Overall a positive report.

VII. Consent Items

Trustee Gibbs moved to approve the consent items and seconded by Trustee Johnson. Consent items approved.

VIII. Press Releases forwarded as they are issued

IX. Open Forum

Chair Larsen called for public comment. Having none the meeting was adjourned at 6:08.