



Blackhawk Technical College
District Board Meeting Agenda

Date and Time: October 21, 2026, from 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Location: Monroe Campus, Room 413, 210 Fourth Avenue, Monroe, WI 53566

Call to Order

1. Public Comment – People who wish to address the District Board may make a statement if it pertains to a specific agenda item. Please see Policy B-335 – Public Participation at District Board Meetings for more information.

Special Reports

1. Student Representative Report – Information – LaFonda Richardson
2. 2025-26 Outcomes-Based Funding Report – Information – Dr. Jon Tysse

Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of Draft September 16, 2026, District Board Meeting Minutes – Action
2. Approval of Current Bills – Action – Jim Nemeth
3. Approval of Contract Trainings – Action – Dr. Karen Schmitt
4. Adoption of the Resolution to Designate District Positions Subject to Wisconsin's Code of Ethics – Action – Dr. Tracy Pierner
5. Confirmation of Annual Contract Issued to Sara Templeton, Nursing Instructor – September 28, 2026
6. Confirmation of Annual Contract Issued to Maria DeLeo, Nursing Instructor – January 11, 2027

Committee Reports

1. Finance Committee: No Meeting Scheduled
2. Personnel Committee: Meeting held October 7, 2026 – No Action. Minutes included.

Action Items

1. Establishment of the Mill Rate and Tax Levy for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 – Action – Jim Nemeth
2. Acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Procurement Report – Action – Jim Nemeth
3. Approval to Remodel the Monroe Campus Nursing and Science Labs – Action – Jim Nemeth
4. Approval to Remodel the Monroe Campus Manufacturing/EMS Labs and the Lobby – Action – Jim Nemeth
5. Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2027A, of Blackhawk Technical College District, Wisconsin – Action – Jim Nemeth
6. Approval of the Amendment to the OPEB Investment Policy – Action – Jim Nemeth

Committee Action Items

1. Finance Committee – No Action Items
2. Personnel Committee – No Action Items

Policy Review

1. B-250 – New District Board Member Orientation – Action – Dr. Tracy Pierner
2. E-340 – Smoking/Tobacco – Action – Dr. Tracy Pierner



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3. J-200 – Tuition and Fees – Action – Dr. Katie Lange
4. J-222 – Tuition and Fee Refunds – Action – Dr. Katie Lange

Information / Discussion

1. Quarterly Report and Financial Statement – Information – Jim Nemeth
2. President's Update – Information – Dr. Tracy Pierner
 - a. Community and Internal Engagement
 - b. College and Upcoming Events
 - c. Other Communications
 - d. Construction Projects
3. Staff Changes – Information Only
 - a. New Hires:
 - i. Lindy Pickelsimer, Part-time Administrative Assistant-WCD – September 21, 2026
 - ii. Kris Mikkelsen, Part-time Maintenance Technician – October 12, 2026
 - b. New Positions: None.
 - c. Resignations:
 - i. Rocio Flores, Student Success Specialist – September 28, 2026
 - ii. Nichie Bendt, Part-time Graphic Designer – October 12, 2026
 - iii. John Hayes, Automotive Technician Instructor – December 23, 2026
 - d. Retirements:
 - i. Cheryl Harsevoort, Social Science Instructor – May 21, 2027

WTCS Consortium Updates – Information Only

1. District Board Association (DBA)
2. District Mutual Insurance (DMI)
3. Branding Committee
4. Purchasing Consortium
5. Wisconsin Technical College Employee Benefit Consortium (WTCEBC)

Future Agenda Items

1. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

Closed Session

After regular agenda business, the District Board will convene in an open session and adjourn to a closed session, according to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c), to conduct the president's annual review. Any action resulting from the closed session will be taken upon reconvening in the open session, scheduled for action in the open session at the next regular meeting, or scheduled for action at a special meeting called on notice.

- A. Motion, Second, and Roll Call Vote to Go into Closed Session
- B. Motion, Second, and Roll Call Vote to Go into Open Session
- C. Call Meeting to Order in Open Session
- D. Approval of President's Compensation for the Fiscal Year 2026-27 and Approval of Contract Extension (Action – Chairperson)

Adjournment

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