

**WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**PUBLIC HEARING/PROPOSED BUDGETS  
MINUTES  
November 15, 2023**

The Western Community College Area Board of Governors held a Public Hearing for presentation of Western Community College Area amended 2023-2024 Proposed Budgets at 1:04 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, in the Coral E. Richards Boardroom, at Western Nebraska Community College, Scottsbluff Campus, located at 1601 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, in the City of Scottsbluff, in the County of Scotts Bluff, in the State of Nebraska, as per the Notice of Budget Hearing and Budget Summary published in the Star-Herald, on Wednesday, November 7, 2023.

A current agenda was available in the Board Secretary's office on the Scottsbluff Campus at the time of the publicized notice.

**AREA BOARD**

Karen S. Anderson, Vice Chairperson .....	Present
Margaret R. Crouse.....	Absent
Misty A. Curtis .....	Present
Linda A. Guzman-Gonzales .....	Present
F. Lynne Klemke, Chairperson.....	Present
Allan D. Kremman .....	Absent
William M. Packard .....	Present
Coral E. Richards .....	Present
R. J. Savely, Jr .....	Present
Marjorie L. Schmidt.....	Present

**QUORUM**

Chair Klemke declared a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

**BOARD CHAIRPERSON COMMENTS**

Chair Klemke announced that for public information there is a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act available on the table at the back of the room.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Klemke entertained a motion for approval of the agenda. Ms. Guzman-Gonzales MOVED the agenda be approved as presented. SECONDED by Dr. Packard.

The vote was, Yes: Anderson, Curtis, Guzman-Gonzales, Packard, Richards, Savely, Schmidt, Klemke. No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Crouse, Kremman. Motion carried.

**EXCUSE ABSENT BOARD MEMBER(S)**

Chair Klemke reported that due to personal health, Dr. Crouse and Mr. Kremman were unable to attend the meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/2023-2024 WCCA BUDGETS**

Pursuant to Section 13-501 to 13-513, R.R.S. and Section 85-1517, R.R.S., Chair Klemke declared the Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following budgets and consider amendments relative thereto open at 1:04 p.m.

**PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED 2023-2024 BUDGETS**

Chair Klemke asked Ms. Lynne Koski, Vice President of Administrative Services, to present the amended Western Community College Area proposed 2023-2024 Budgets.

**Amended 2023-2024 WCCA Budgets**

1. General Fund - From \$29,305,609 to \$29,305,635
2. Capital Improvement/Bond Fund - From \$9,354,341 to \$9,123,617
3. Designated Fund - \$7,778,148
4. Restricted Fund (includes loan fund & debt retirement) - \$17,894,339
5. Agency Fund - \$433,110
6. Total Operating Budget – From \$64,765,547 to \$64,534,849

**Public Comments**

Chair Klemke asked for comments from the community. Pursuant to Board Policy BP-101, Vice Chair Anderson reminded community members who wish to make comments that each speaker will be limited to a five-minute presentation. There were no public comments.

**Close Public Hearing**

Chair Klemke declared the amended 2023-2024 Proposed Budgets Public Hearing closed at 1:13 p.m.

**Next Regular Meeting:** Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at the conclusion of the Budget hearing and approximately 1:30 p.m., Coral E. Richards Boardroom, Scottsbluff Campus, 1601 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Scottsbluff, NE

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 1:15 p.m.

  
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F. Lynne Klemke, Chairperson

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Susan L. Verbeck, Secretary