

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Barton County Community College
February 25, 2025**

ATTENDANCE

Trustees Present: Gary Burke; Mike Johnson; John Moshier; Cole Schwarz; Carl Helm; Dale Maneth
Other Attendees: Amye Schneider; Marcus Garstecki; Renee Demel; Angie Maddy; Elaine Simmons; Mark Dean; Maggie Harris; Brandon Steinert; Kathy Kottas; Mary Foley; Stephanie Joiner. via ZOOM: Kurtis Teal; Lindsay Holmes; Brian Howe; Krystall Barnes; Jenn Bernatis; Lori Crowther; Claudia Mather; Erin Eggers; Courtney Metcalf; Lee Miller; Angel Morgan; Latoya Hill; Lindsey Bogner; Curt Rose; Brandee Harrison; Cheryl Brown; Cole Reif, Eagle Radio; and Susan Thacker, Great Bend Tribune.

CALL TO ORDER

Mike Johnson, Board Chair called the monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Barton County Community College to order at 4:00 p.m. in F-30 in the lower level of the Fine Arts Building. He then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND NEW EMPLOYEES

- Erin Eggers, Director of Online & LMS Management, introduced Brandee Harrison – Student Engagement Specialist (Center for Learning Excellence) (Barton Campus).
- Kurt Teal, Dean of Military Academics, Technical Education, and Outreach Programs introduced Michael Noer – Director of OSHA Training Institute Education Center and Occupational Safety and Health (GVP Campus).
- Maggie Harris, Chief Communications Officer introduced Scott Andersen – Digital Content Specialist (Barton Campus)

AY26 TUITION AND FEES

Mark Dean, Vice President of Administration reviewed for the Board's consideration.

Trustee Moshier moved to Board approve the increases in Tuition and Fees effective Fall of 2025 (202601) and the course fees as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schwarz. Following discussion, the motion carried 6-0.

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Dr. Garstecki, President provided these updates to the Board.

BOARD MONITORING REPORT – END 3: ACADEMIC ADVANCEMENT

Angie Maddy, Vice President of Student Services gave this report.

CONSENT AGENDA

Routine items are presented for action in one motion. Any Trustee may remove an item from the consent agenda for individual discussion and action. It is recommended that the Board approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a) Personnel
- b) BOT Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025

Trustee Schwarz moved the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Helm. Following discussion, the motion carried 6-0.

INCIDENTAL INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. President's Report of Monthly Activities
- b. KACC/Board Chair Report by Mike Johnson
- c. KBOR Update by Marcus Garstecki, President
- d. Upcoming Events
- e. Miscellaneous

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Johnson advised that an executive session would be necessary to discuss financial affairs of a partnership pursuant to data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, in order to protect the privacy interests of the entities(s) to be discussed.

Trustee Schwarz moved that the Board recess to executive session for 40 minutes at 4:47 p.m. to discuss financial affairs of a partnership pursuant to data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, in order to protect the privacy interests of the entities(s) to be discussed, to reconvene in Room F-30 in the Fine Arts Building at 5:25 p.m. In compliance with this Act, no binding action will be taken in executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Maneth. Following discussion, the motion carried 6-0. Dr. Garstecki and Mark Dean were asked to join the Board in the Executive Session.

Open Session – The recessed session of the Board of Trustees of Barton County Community College reconvened at 5:28 p.m. to bring computers and Zoom back online in the Seminar Room (F-30) of the Fine Arts Building. Chair Johnson advised that matters pertaining to discussion of financial affairs of a partnership pursuant to data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, in order to protect the privacy interests of the entities(s) to be discussed were discussed and no action was taken.

Chair Johnson advised that the Board would need additional time in Executive Session.

Trustee Schwarz moved that the Board recess to executive session for 20 minutes at 5:30 p.m. to discuss financial affairs of a partnership pursuant to data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, in order to protect the privacy interests of the entities(s) to be discussed, to reconvene in Room F-30 in the Fine Arts Building at 5:50 p.m. In compliance with this Act, no binding action will be taken in executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Helm. Following discussion, the motion carried 6-0. Dr. Garstecki and Mark Dean were asked to join the Board in the Executive Session.

Open Session – The recessed session of the Board of Trustees of Barton County Community College reconvened at 5:52 p.m. to bring computers and Zoom back online in the Seminar Room (F-30) of the Fine Arts Building. Chair Johnson advised that matters pertaining to discussion of financial affairs of a partnership pursuant to data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, in order to protect the privacy interests of the entities(s) to be discussed were discussed and no action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Johnson, Board Chair again invited public comments; there were none offered.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Mike Johnson, Chair

John Moshier, Secretary