



**Academic and Student Affairs Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 29, 2025**

A meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees was held on January 29, 2025.

Committee members present: Cheryl Tefer, Chair; Kathy Sheran, Vice Chair; Jim Grabowska, Jacqueline Johnson, Roger Moe, Christopher Richter

Committee members absent: None

Other board members present: Jay Cowles, Dawn Erlandson, Tim Huebsch, Jerry Janezich, Jana Johnson, George Soule

Staff present: Scott Olson, Chancellor; Satasha Green-Stephen, Sr. Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs

Meeting materials and audio recordings are available on the [Board of Trustees website](#).

Committee Chair Tefer called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Approval of the Meeting Minutes for November 19, 2024

Committee Chair asked if there are any changes or amendments to the minutes then asked for a motion to approve. Trustee Grabowska made the motion and Trustee Sheran provided a second. A roll call vote was conducted, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 2: Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.26 Intellectual Property (First Reading)
Committee Chair Tefer invited Satasha Green-Stephen, Sr. Vice Chancellor for Academic and Affairs to present, Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.26 Accreditation (First Reading), as detailed in the meeting materials.

This being the first reading of the item, there was no vote taken.

Agenda Item 3: Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.43 Accreditation (Second Reading)

Committee Chair Tefer invited Satasha Green-Stephen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs to present, Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.43 Accreditation as detailed in the meeting materials.

Committee Chair Tefer asked committee members to consider the following recommended committee motion:

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed amendment to Policy 3.43.

Trustee Grabowska made the motion and Trustee Cowles seconded. A roll call vote was conducted. The vote was as follows:

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| Trustee Grabowska | Yes |
| Trustee Johnson | Yes |
| Trustee Moe | Yes |
| Trustee Richter | Yes |
| Trustee Sheran | Yes |
| Trustee Tefer | Yes |

The committee voted to approve the recommended motion.

Agenda Item 4: Models of Support for Students with Diverse Abilities

Committee Chair Tefer invited Satasha Green-Stephen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs along with guest presenters listed to present, Models of Support for Students with Diverse Abilities, as detailed in the meeting materials.

Dr. Annette Parker, President, South Central College
Kristin Underwood, Director of Customized Workforce Education, South Central College
Alyssa Klein, Youth Services Coordinator, MN DEED – Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS)
Jon Morgan, Machine Tool Technology and UAA Faculty, South Central College
Dr. Kumara Jayasuriya, President, Southwest Minnesota State University
Derek Klinkner, Wheelchair Basketball coach, Southwest Minnesota State University

This being an informational item, there was no vote taken.

Agenda Item 5: Minnesota Office of Higher Education Course Placement Audit Update

Committee Chair Tefer invited Satasha Green-Stephen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs along with Jesse Mason, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Anthony Miller, System Director of P20 and Student Success, to present Minnesota Office of Higher Education Course Placement Audit Update, as detailed in the meeting materials.

This being an informational item, there was no vote taken.

Agenda Item 6: Restructuring of Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College

Committee Chair Tefer invited Satasha Green-Stephen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs along with Michael Berndt, President, Dakota County Technical College, and Inver Hills Community College, to present Restructuring of Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College, as detailed in the meeting materials.

Committee Chair Tefer asked committee members to consider the following recommended committee motion:

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve restructuring of Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College.

Trustee Grabowska made the motion and Trustee Richter seconded. A roll call vote was conducted. The vote was as follows:

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| Trustee Grabowska | Yes |
| Trustee Johnson | Yes |
| Trustee Moe | Yes |
| Trustee Richter | Yes |
| Trustee Sheran | Yes |
| Trustee Tefer | Yes |

The committee voted to approve the recommended motion.

Adjournment

The committee chair adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.