



NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Lori Kelley, Chair
Date: April 15, 2025
Re: Trustee Self-Assessment Results

Northwest Florida State College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). During each fiscal year, the Board of Trustees evaluates itself, consistent with the SACSCOC *Principles of Accreditation*. Section 4 of the *Principles*, in subsection 2.g., states the Board of Trustees “defines its responsibilities and regularly evaluates its effectiveness.” The purpose of the Trustee Self-Assessment is to fulfill this principle. The *Principles of Accreditation* are available to you for review in OnBoard under Resources, subfolder Board Member Resources.

Below are the results from the Spring 2025 Trustee Self-Assessment.

4.88	Board meetings are conducted in an orderly, efficient manner that allows for sufficient discussion.
4.75	I come adequately prepared to engage in productive dialogue related to the Board agenda.
4.75	I receive sufficient information in a timely manner for discussion and decision-making on policy recommendations.
4.25	Board members make decisions, independent of partisan bias, after thorough discussion and exploration of many perspectives.
4.75	The Board adheres to its policies and assures a comprehensive review and revision of Board policies is conducted on a periodic basis.
4.38	The Board and president have a positive, cooperative relationship built on mutual trust and respect, and adheres to the established protocols for communication.
4.88	The Board expresses its authority only as a unit. I understand I have no individual authority.
4.62	The Board ensures a clear and appropriate distinction between the policymaking and the responsibility of the College administration and faculty to administer and implement policy.
4.66	Overall Score

Comments on any of the preceding questions:

The Board is learning to work with our new President
New president - trust still building, but there is definitely a spirit of cooperativeness!

What are the areas of opportunities for the Board to help the College advance its mission?

Expand the 331 campus
To prevent duplication of effort and wasted resources -- Lobby state level representatives to seriously address and resolve overlapping/competitive work force development and professional development programs (welding, nursing, etc.) being offered in the same areas of coverage by both local Technical Schools/Colleges and Regional State Colleges.
Board Members are the brand ambassadors for the school as well as the ones who assist leadership in setting the strategic vision. With new leadership in place, the ability to set the college on a course to meet the workforce demands of our region and to serve the entire region presents a great opportunity.

Look for more opportunities for workforce development offerings
Continue educating board members about the college's programs and opportunities to expand. These are insightful and help the Board to further our mission.
Participation in events to support college staff as a voice for the institution and the mission.