



NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Lori Kelley, Chair
Date: October 15, 2024
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 Fall 2024 Trustee Self-Assessment.

4.63	I understand the routine reviews and the fiscal condition of the College.
5.00	I review and adhere to the code of ethics and understand and avoid conflicts of interest and perceptions of such conflicts.
4.63	The Board sets clear expectations for and effectively evaluates the President.
3.88	The Board has ensured that the College's mission and goals are sufficiently responsive to the community's current and emerging needs.
4.25	The Board assures that the budget reflects College priorities in the mission and goals and provides effective oversight for fiscal operations.
4.75	I have completed required training to educate myself on pertinent issues related to the College and the Collegiate High School, including Florida's Sunshine Laws, ethics, board operations, etc.
4.25	I ensure that I am well-informed of the College's educational programs and services.
4.00	The Board evaluation process helps me to advance my performance as a Trustee.
4.42	Overall Score

Comments on any of the preceding questions:

5. There is potential of an internal struggle between emphasizing specialized targeted fiscal initiatives vs. emphasizing overall emerging community driven College-first mission and goals fiscal priorities. The Board has had limited long-term transparency and thus limited effective oversight of our impending athletic fiscal operational issues. Appreciate this interim-administration's willingness to a new level of transparency on this example.
The Board continues to respond to community needs.

What are the major accomplishments of the Board in the past year?

The biggest accomplishment so far this year has been to appoint an interim President and work on the search committee for the next President. It's an ongoing process.
So far, limited drama in the presidential search process
Increased enrollment despite lower enrollment in other state colleges
1. Conduct a National search for a new President. 2. Reached target financial/cash margin and liquidity reserve. 3.

Approved South Walton expansion and collaboration with Seacoast HS 4. Collegiate High School graduation and success %

Establishing a Presidential Search Committee, hiring a well respected Interim President

Working towards replacement of Presidential role in addition to advancement of college's mission. Expansion of programs and campuses.