

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE
JANUARY 13-14, 2026 – PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH**

The Board of Southwest Wisconsin Technical College met in an open session of a special meeting, commencing at 7:55 a.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, in Conference Room 440 on the District Campus, located at 1800 Bronson Boulevard in the City of Fennimore, Grant County, Wisconsin.

The following were present:

- The District Board’s Presidential Search Committee Members:
David Blume, Charles Bolstad (Search Committee Chair), Kent Enright, and Jane Wonderling
- Additional Members of the Presidential Search Committee:
Kajal Patel, SWTC Student Ambassador; Theresa Sander, Biddick Inc.; CoraBeth Schmitz, Student Financial Assistance Manager; Kris Schoville, Academic Lead/Medical Assistant Instructor and SWTC Foundation President; John Troxel, Network Administrator
- The Board’s Chairperson:
Chris Prange (1/13: remote) (1/14: remote 9:43 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; in-person 1:30-5:00 p.m.)
- Presidential Search Support Staff:
Connie Haberkorn, Human Resources Director and Search Liaison
Lori Needham, Executive Assistant

Board Members not in Attendance:

- Theresa Braudt, Jeanne Jordie, Don Tuescher, and Steve Williamson

Presidential Search Committee Chairperson Bolstad called the meeting to order. Proof of notice was given as to the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. The following is the official agenda:



DISTRICT BOARD MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA
7:55 a.m., Tuesday, January 13, 2026
9:40 a.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2026
1800 Bronson Blvd, Fennimore, WI - Room 440

AGENDA

OPEN MEETING

The following statement will be read: "The Southwest Wisconsin Technical College District Board's January 13 and 14, 2026, special meeting is called to order. This is open to the public and in compliance with State Statutes. Notice has been sent to the press, posted on the College's website at www.swtc.edu/about/board/meetings, and posted on campus, CESA 3, and at the Fennimore City Office in an attempt to make the general public aware of the time, place, and agenda."

A. Roll Call

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Consideration of adjourning to a closed session for the purpose of:

Consideration of the background, qualifications, and experience of candidates for the position of President, and conducting Semi-Finalist Presidential Candidate Interviews pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) {Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.}

B. Recess until 9:40 a.m., on Wednesday, January 14, 2026

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A. Action, if necessary, on Closed Session Items

ADJOURNMENT

{FACILITIES AT SOUTHWEST TECH ARE HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. FOR ALL ACCOMMODATIONS, CALL 608-822-2632 OR E-MAIL DISABILITYSERVICES@SWTC.EDU.}

Mr. Enright moved, seconded by Mr. Blume, to adjourn to closed session for consideration of the background, qualifications, and experience of candidates for the position of President, and conducting Semi-Finalist Presidential Candidate Interviews per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) {Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.} Upon roll call vote, all present members voted in the affirmative: Mr. Blume, Mr. Prange, Mr. Enright, Ms. Wonderling, and Mr. Bolstad. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned to a closed session at 7:57 a.m.

No formal Board action was taken during the closed session, and the meeting returned to open session at 3:11 p.m.

Ms. Wonderling moved, seconded by Mr. Enright, to recess for the day. Motion carried; recess began at 3:11 p.m.

Recess concluded at 9:40 a.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, with Search Committee Chairperson Bolstad reading the open meeting statement at 9:40 a.m., in Conference Room 440 on the District Campus, located at 1800 Bronson Boulevard in the City of Fennimore, Grant County, Wisconsin.

Mr. Enright moved, seconded by Mr. Blume, to adjourn to closed session for consideration of the background, qualifications, and experience of candidates for the position of President, and conducting Semi-Finalist Presidential Candidate Interviews per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) {Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the

governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.} Upon roll call vote, all present members voted in the affirmative: Mr. Blume, Mr. Enright, Ms. Wonderling, and Mr. Bolstad. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned to a closed session at 9:41 a.m. The Board took no formal action during the closed session. The meeting returned to open session at 4:59 p.m.

With no further business to come before the Board in the closed or open sessions, Ms. Wonderling moved to adjourn the meeting, with Mr. Enright seconding the motion. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Kent Enright, Secretary