

**Miles Community College
Board of Trustees
Minutes
December 15, 2025**

The Board of Trustees of Miles Community College met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. December 15, 2025, in room 106. The following Trustees were present: Tara Andrews, Garret McFarland, Jeff Okerman, Jamie Ogolin, Debbie Morford, and Ryan Jones. The following Trustee was excused: Jenna Janshen. Also present were President Ron Slinger, Candy Laney, Nancy Aaberge, and Star Reporter Hunter Herbaugh.

Vice Chair McFarland called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comment was given.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Slinger was selected for jury duty on January 5. If he is not selected, he will be traveling to Helena for Business Days at the Capitol.

REPORTS: No reports were given.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Trustee Jones moved to approve the consent agendas as presented. Trustee McFarland seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. **Friends and Alumni Newsletter:** President Slinger said we have had great success with the Alumni and Friends newsletter. This newsletter has generated increased interest in the Opportunity Realized Program and resulted in a strong number of Distinguished Alumni nominations. In addition, a local business contacted President Slinger regarding a potential MCC Alumnus for an accounting position. He connected the business owner with our business instructor, Kristy Atwood.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee Jones reported that the college is in great shape financially. We also discussed the President's updates.
- B. **Old Business:** None
- C. **New Business:** None

HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee Okerman reported that the committee discussed current staffing and Jenzabar implementation.
- B. **Old Business:** None
- C. **New Business:** None

QUALITY AND ADVOCACY:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee Okerman reported that the committee was briefed on the list of the Presidential office updates.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. President Slinger discussed the changes that are being brought forward.

Trustee Ogolin moved to approve the Academic Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Morford seconded the motion. Motion passed.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. NWCCU Accreditation Mid-Cycle Visit

Adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

The next regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Monday, January 26, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in room 106.