



**Northwest Missouri State University
Board of Regents
Open Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2026
Approved on July 30, 2026**

The Northwest Missouri State University Board of Regents convened at 1 p.m. on June 18, 2026, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Boardroom the Northwest Missouri State University campus following public notice issued on June 9, 2026.

The following members of the Board were present: Leisha Barry, Steve Black, Steve Coppinger, Shanda Durbin via Zoom, Jason Klindt, Debbie Roach and Mel Tjeerdsma. Also present were President Dr. Lance Tatum, Vice President of Culture Krista Barcus, Vice President of Finance and Administration Stacy Carrick, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Charles Fey, Vice President of Advancement Mike Johnson, Athletics Director Dr. Andy Peterson, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Rose Marie Ward and Attorney Sean Tassi via Zoom.

A quorum being present, Chair Tjeerdsma called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Resolution #26-061: It was moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Barry to adopt the agenda as presented.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0) by voice vote.

Resolution #26-062: It was moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Coppinger that the following consent agenda items be approved:

- April 30, 2026, OPEN Board Meeting Minutes
- April 30, 2026, CLOSED Board Meeting Minutes
- May 20, 2026, OPEN Special Board Meeting Minutes
- May 20, 2026, CLOSED Special Board Meeting Minutes

The motion carried unanimously (7-0) by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution #26-063: It was proposed by Provost Ward, endorsed by President Tatum and the Academic and Student Engagement Committee, moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Black that the item presented in 3.01 be approved:

appointment of 227 full-time faculty to teach during the 2026-27 academic year (list on file).

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.

Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Resolution #26-064: It was proposed by Provost Ward, endorsed by President Tatum and the Academic and Student Engagement Committee, moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Roach that the following item presented in agenda item 3.02 be approved:

the Bachelor of Professional Studies degree.

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried (7-0).

Resolution #26-065: It was proposed by Provost Ward, endorsed by President Tatum and the Academic and Student Engagement Committee, moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Barry that the following item presented in agenda item 3.02 be approved:

the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Resolution #26-066: It was proposed by Vice President Carrick, endorsed by President Tatum and the People, Finance and Operations Committee, moved by Regent Roach and seconded by Regent Coppinger that the following item presented in agenda item 3.03 be approved:

ratify the Aladdin Food Management Service, LLC dba Elior Collegiate Dining services contract approved at the April 3, 2026, Board meeting to be effective May 15, 2026, previously signed by the President and the Vice President of Finance & Administration (document on file).

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Resolution #26-067: It was proposed by Vice President Carrick, endorsed by President Tatum and the People, Finance and Operations Committee, moved by Regent Coppinger and seconded by Regent Black that the following item presented in agenda item 3.04 be approved:

the Space Heater Policy as presented, effective July 1, 2026 (document on file).

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

As prescribed in the agreement between the Northwest Foundation and the University, Vice President Carrick presented the FY27 Northwest Foundation operations budget for information purposes (document on file). No action taken.

Resolution #26-068: It was proposed by Vice President Carrick, endorsed by President Tatum and the People, Finance and Operations Committee and the Academic and Student Engagement Committee, moved by Regent Roach and seconded by Regent Black that the following item presented in agenda item 3.06 be approved:

Education and General and Auxiliary Services FY27 Budgets as presented (document on file).

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Bi-annual officer elections were held by paper ballot as prescribed in the Board's bylaws. Regent Steve Black was elected to serve as Board Chair with six affirmative votes and one abstention. Regent Leisha Barry was elected to serve as Vice-

pg. 3

Chair with six affirmative votes and one abstention. Regent Black thanked Regent Tjeerdsma and Regent Coppinger for their leadership over the last two years.

Resolution #26-069: It was moved by Regent Tjeerdsma and seconded by Regent Roach to reappoint Stacy Carrick as the Board Treasurer.

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Resolution #26-070: It was moved by Regent Tjeerdsma and seconded by Regent Klindt to reappoint Diane Hargrave as the Board Secretary.

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Verbal reports were presented by the following individuals:

- Mr. Duane Havard, Staff Council President
- Mr. Pat Pijanowski, Foundation Board liaison
- Dr. Lance Tatum, University President

Resolution #26-071: It was moved by Regent Klindt and seconded by Regent Coppinger to adjourn the open session and move to closed session to consider matters pursuant to exemptions to the open meeting requirement as specified in R.S. MO 610.021(13) relating to matters identified in that provision, which include individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings, or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment.

A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Barry voted yea.
Regent Black voted yea.
Regent Coppinger voted yea.
Regent Durbin voted yea.
Regent Klindt voted yea.
Regent Roach voted yea.
Regent Tjeerdsma voted yea.

The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

The open session was adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hargrave, Secretary to the Board