



**WSC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
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721 E. HIGHLAND DR. SUITE D |October 29, 2024 |12:00 p.m.**

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**WSC Foundation Mission Statement:**

Williston State College Foundation is dedicated to advancing the college's mission by securing financial support and fostering meaningful connections with alumni, donors, and the surrounding communities

Present: Board Members Ward Koeser, Melanie Stillwell, Lee Murphy, Jackie Lee, Jory Meyer, Bill Gathman, Katie Kringen, Brandon Johnson, Mark Barstad, and Taylor Olson. WSC President, Dr. Bernell Hirning, WSCF Staff: Executive Director, Hunter Berg, Chief Financial Officer Laurie Furusest, and WSCF Donor Relations and Community Outreach Coordinator, Kristina Kitchens.

Absent: Lance Olson

President Taylor Olson called the meeting to order.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows made by Director Jory Meyer and seconded by Director Katie Kringen. Motion carried.

- 1. Consent Agenda:**
  - a. Minutes dated September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Motion to approve the Financial Statements as follows, made by Director Jory Meyer and seconded by Director Katie Kringen. Motion carried.

- 2. Financial Statements**
  - a. Williston State College Foundation
  - b. WSC Supporting Foundation
  - c. WSC Housing LLC
  - d. WSC Charitable Gaming

**Updates:**

**Dr. Hirning, WSC President, Update:**

- Provided Census update
- Healthcare Building Update
- Program update between WSC and a few of the 4-year Institutions.

**CFO, Laurie Furusest Update:**

- No Update.

**Donor Relations and Community Outreach Update:**

- Provided an update on the Outstanding Alumni Banquet held on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

- Provided a Giving Day update
- WSC Foundation Board Christmas Party is December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 5:30

Hunter Berg, WSCF Executive Director, Update:

- Motion to approve WSC Foundation's Board President and Hunter Berg to sign a Bill of Sale & Title for the Bus transfer made by Director Jory Meyer and seconded by Director Katie Kringen. Motion Carried.
- Hunter will get more information regarding the Clay Target grant request.
- Turf Update
- Commercial Suite D in Badlands W will be available for rent at the end of November.
- Commercial Suit B in Badlands E signed a 1-year lease.
- A motion to approve ASB and 1<sup>st</sup> International Bank & Trust to pay their pledges over a 10 year period of time for both the Turf Project, and the Medical Arts Building made by Director Ward Koeser and seconded by Director Bill Gathman. Motion carried, with Director Jory Meyer abstaining.

Old Business:

- Previous Gaming Grant request discussed.
- Board decided to table the Endowment Planning discussion until next months meeting.

New Business:

- Motion to approve the FY25 Budget made by Director Lee Murphy, seconded by Director Brandon Johnson. Motion Carried.
- Lee will respond to the Mineral Lease Offers WSCF received.
- A motion to donate to Bras for a Cause made by Director Bill Gathman, seconded by Director Melanie Stillwell. Motion Carried.
- A motion to approve the Gaming Employee/Dependent Scholarship as presented made by Director Lee Murphy and seconded by Director Jackie Lee. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Hunter Berg  
Executive Director