



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

April 29, 2026

The special Board of Trustees meeting for Indian Hills Community College was held on April 29, 2026, in the Perkins Conference Room on the Main Campus, Indian Hills Community College, Ottumwa, Iowa. Board President Mr. Richard J. Gaumer called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Mr. Richard J. Gaumer.

Zoom/Phone: Mr. Kevin Crall, Ms. Beth Danowsky, Ms. Christine Estle, Mr. Mike Matthes, Ms. Katie Nichols, Mr. Riley Sheetz, and Ms. Lori Yates.

Members absent: Mr. Alan Wilson.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Nichols and seconded by Mr. Sheetz to approve the board agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing to Adopt the FY27 Budget Estimate and Certify College Taxes

Mr. Gaumer asked for a motion to open the public hearing to adopt the FY27 Budget Estimate and Certify College Taxes.

Motion

It was moved by Ms. Estle and seconded by Ms. Danowsky to open the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gaumer asked Ms. Harvey if she had received any written objections or protests on the FY27 Certified Budget Estimate and College Taxes. She stated "no." Mr. Gaumer asked if there were any oral objections or comments. There were no comments or discussion, so he asked for a motion and second to close the public hearing.

Motion

It was moved by Ms. Danowsky and seconded by Ms. Nichols to close the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Taren Ferguson, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, stated that the board will vote on the FY27 Certified Budget Estimate and College Taxes. The total levy rates are \$1.23943 and a total spending authority of \$80.4 million.

If this proposed budget is approved, paperwork will be filed with all County Auditors.

Mr. Gaumer stated that there was a decrease in levies of 3.9%. Mr. Gaumer asked for approval of the FY27 Certified Budget Estimate and College Taxes.

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Motion

It was moved by Mr. Sheetz and seconded by Ms. Estle to approve the FY27 Certified Budget Estimate and College Taxes.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Richard J. Gaumer	Yes
Ms. Beth Danowsky	Yes
Ms. Lori Yates	Yes
Ms. Christine Estle	Yes
Mr. Riley Sheetz	Yes
Mr. Kevin Crall	Yes
Mr. Mike Matthes	Yes
Ms. Katie Nichols	Yes

Members absent: Mr. Alan Wilson

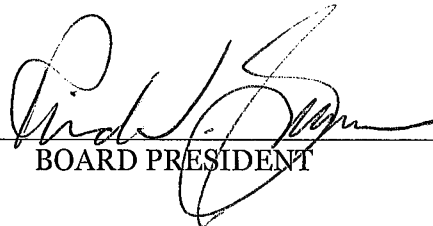
The motion carried unanimously.

Closing Remarks

Mr. Gaumer hopes to see board members on May 11, 2026, at the regular board meeting. Graduation is Wednesday, May 13, 2026, in Centerville and Thursday, May 14, 2026, in Ottumwa.

Adjournment

Board member Mr. Sheetz moved that the meeting be adjourned. Hearing no objections, Mr. Gaumer adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.



BOARD PRESIDENT



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