TERRA STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Fremont, OH 43420
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 10, 2026
3:00 p.m. Boardroom B206

The Terra State Community College Board of Trustees met for a special meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, in the Boardroom in the General Technologies Building on the Terra State Community College campus.

Board Members Present: Tim Ellenberger, Nick Gerber, Derek Gerstenberger, Mircea Handru, Jodi Rucker, and Luke Sutter; newly-appointed Trustee Elaine Daugherty attended virtually as a guest, as she had not yet taken her oath of office.

Board Members Absent: Dr. Jim Lahoski

Call to Order
Chair Handru called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. Those in attendance recited the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Roll Call
Roll call was taken.

Personnel
The board moved to Executive Session for the personnel discussion.

Executive Session* **R-2026-50**
Trustee Ellenberger made a motion pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 to enter into Executive Session to consider: Personnel, specifically, appointment/employment of a public employee. Trustee Rucker seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Voting *aye* were Trustees Ellenberger, Gerstenberger, Rucker, Sutter, and Chair Handru. The Chair declared the motion passed at 3:03 p.m. Trustee Gerber arrived at 3:04 p.m. and was present at for the Executive Session. Attorney Regina Mendicino-Dwyer was asked to remain, and Lisa Shuey helped coordinate

Return to Public Session* **R-2026-51**
Trustee Ellenberger made a motion to return to Public Session with a second by Trustee Gerber. Roll call was taken. Voting *aye* were Trustees Ellenberger, Gerber, Gerstenberger, Rucker, Sutter, and Chair Handru. The Chair declared the motion passed at 4:39 p.m.

Fiscal Watch – Recovery Plan
Dr. Cory Stine reported that the draft financial recovery plan was sent to the trustees for comment last week as well as Jim Bennett at the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE). He thanked the trustees for their comments on the document and added that we received two pages of comments and feedback recommending a total approach and content change, and Dr. Mead and Jennifer Fehnrich have worked hard to recreate the draft to include all of the ODHE-recommended changes. We will have the new draft sent out on Friday, June 12th for trustee review and comments. The board will reconvene Wednesday, June 17th, to formally approve the document so that the College can send it in on Thursday, prior to the Juneteenth federal holiday. We will also invite others to review the draft, including Michelle White, the president of the Terra Faculty Association (TFA), who requested a preview.

Chair Handru reiterated that the Board of Trustees will have a special meeting on June 17th instead of the regular board meeting scheduled for June 24th. On the 17th we will cover our entire regular agenda as well as vote on the financial recovery plan.

Finances

There were no items to approve for the Financial Department before next week's meeting.

Adjournment* **R-2026-52**

Trustee Rucker made a motion to adjourn, and Trustee Sutter seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Voting *aye* were Trustees Ellenberger, Gerber, Gerstenberger, Rucker, Sutter, and Chair Handru. The Board Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

**Indicates agenda items requiring a motion and a vote*