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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Northwest Iowa Community College Recognizes Board of Trustee Members**

Northwest Iowa Community College is joining with other communities throughout Iowa to honor its elected school board members during Iowa School Board Recognition Week, May 9-15, 2010. This year's theme —“Leading Students to a Brighter Future”—recognizes that Iowa's volunteer school board members are providing leadership, through responsibilities ranging from strong financial stewardship to ensuring high-quality curriculum, to make sure all students have a bright, vibrant future ahead of them.

Serving as NCC's Board of Trustees are:

Chad Hamill – Sheldon, IA  
Loretta Berkland – Sibley, IA  
Jim Kennedy – Rock Rapids, IA  
Cynthia Porter – Hawarden, IA  
Larry Hoekstra – Hull, IA  
Craig Struve – Calumet, IA  
Leroy Van Kekerix – Orange City, IA

“These men and women volunteer countless hours of unpaid time to provide the best possible education for our students, and we want to recognize that in this community,” said Bill Giddings, President of Northwest Iowa Community College. “As your elected leaders, they represent you in their continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision-making for our public schools. Too often the efforts of school board members go unrecognized and unrewarded. So let us thank them.”

Giddings continued, “Even though we are making a special effort May 9-15 to show appreciation for our school board members, we recognize their contributions reflect a yearlong effort on their part. They are dedicated individuals who are committed to improving student achievement and to striving for the best for all of our students. ”

As a whole, Iowa's 15 two-year community colleges are governed by five to nine board members elected by local residents throughout the state.