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**\$13.4 Million General Obligation Bond Falls Just Short For
Northwest Iowa Community College**

Voters in Area IV (residents of Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, Sioux, as well as the Marcus-Meriden-Cleghorn School District in Cherokee County) that represent NCC came just short of passing the \$13.4 million General Obligation Bond during a special election held on September 14. Although the unofficial results show the majority of voters, 57.4 percent, approved the Bond; but it needed a super-majority vote of 60 percent.

Bill Giddings, NCC President, stated, "On behalf of the Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, staff and students at Northwest Iowa Community College, I would like to thank many you for your support in NCC's Special Election for the General Obligation Bond. The unofficial 57.5 percent positive vote was short of the 60% needed for the vote to pass. However, this tells us that many of you support the quality educational services we provide at NCC. We will continue to communicate our needs so we can continue to serve our growing enrollments in high value transfer and technical credit programs. We are proud to serve 26,600 continuing education enrollments annually through business and industry training, EMT, CPR, CNA, and Firefighter training. We look forward to playing a vital role in the economic development of northwest Iowa."

The needs identified in the bond are necessary for NCC to continue to offer industry-standard technical training, to provide up-to-date career and technical education facilities, and to provide instruction that utilizes advanced technology methodologies. The energy conservation and efficiencies as identified in the facilities assessment will create a long term savings to the College benefiting students, faculty, and our constituents.

Results by County*

<u>County</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Cherokee	24	12
Lyon	229	189
O'Brien	634	343
Osceola	84	84
Sioux	478	446
Total Votes	1449	1074

57.43%

42.57%

***Unofficial results. Results will be canvassed by the Sioux County Board of Supervisors
September 28.**