

**EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE
AD VALOREM HEARING AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, August 25, 2025**

The public hearing for the Ad Valorem tax rate per Statute 67.110 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by the President of the Board of Trustees, Ann Hartley. Other Board members present at the meeting were Eric Park, Cookie Hays, Audrey Freitag, and J.T. Hardy. Also present were President of the College Jon Bauer; Administrators – Vice President of Academic Affairs Robyn Walter, Vice President of External Relations Joel Doepker, Vice President of Student Development Sarah Leassner, and Vice President of Finance & Administration; Faculty – Faculty Association President Tracy Mowery and ECC-NEA President Reg Brigham; Other Staff – Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness & Research Bethany Lohden, Classified Staff Association Vice President Cynthia Cubas, Professional Staff Association President Todd Tracy, Director of Rolla Christina Ayres, Human Resources Director Carrie Myers, Dean of Health Sciences Nancy Mitchell, Director of Information Technology Doug Houston, Communications & Marketing Director Gregg Jones, Enterprise System Associate Daniel Gruenenfelder, and Executive Assistant to the President Stacy Langan.

Also present were Chris Parker from the *Missourian*, Jim Shearer of The Lawrence Group, Ryan Wilson of NAVIGTE Building Solutions, Washington Practical School of Nursing Director Chris Redd, and community members Paul and Dean Grosse.

PUBLIC NOTICE: In accordance with Missouri Law 67.110, notice is hereby given to the residents of the Junior College District of East Central Missouri that a public hearing on the 2025 ad valorem tax rates will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2025, in Buescher Hall, Room 238 on the campus of East Central College, 1964 Prairie Dell Road, Union, Missouri, at which citizens may be heard on the property tax rates proposed to be set by East Central College. The hearing will also be accessible via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84372434162>.

The operating tax rate is set to produce revenues of at least \$8,183,093 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025. The debt service levy is set to produce revenues of at least \$2,098,525, which is required to meet the debt service of East Central College for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2026. The valuation of the taxable property within said District for the current and prior tax years are as follows:

	<u>Current Tax Year</u>	<u>Prior Tax Year</u>
Real Estate	\$1,971,793,820	\$1,798,414,812
Personal Property	\$545,965,335	\$493,032,693
Totals	<u>\$2,517,759,155</u>	<u>\$2,291,447,505</u>

The proposed operating tax levy for 2025 shall be .3391 per one hundred dollars assessed valuation on the above current valuation.

The proposed debt service levy for 2025 shall be .0833 per one hundred dollars assessed valuation on the above current valuation.

The tax rates are subject to change based upon actions by county boards of equalization, the State Tax Commission, subsequent information, applicable law, and certification by the State Auditor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Board President Hartley asked for comments or questions from the audience. There were no comments from the public.

AD VALOREM TAX RATE:

Motion: To **approve** a resolution to set the 2025-2026 Junior College District of East Central Missouri Property Tax Rate for the Operating Tax Levy at \$0.3391 and the Debt Service Levy at \$0.0833 per \$100 of assessed valuation, subject to certification by the state auditor.

Motion by Eric Park; Seconded by Cookie Hays; Carried with all present voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn the hearing.

Motion: To **adjourn** the August 25, 2025, Ad Valorem Tax Hearing at 5:36 p.m.

Motion by J.T. Hardy; Seconded by Cookie Hays; Carried with all present voting in favor.

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees

August 25, 2025