

April 9, 2026

Ashe County Board of Commissioners
150 Government Circle, Suite 2500
Jefferson, NC 28640

Dear Chairman McNeil,

I am writing on behalf of the Wilkes Community College Board of Trustees to ask that you reappoint Josh Roten to the Wilkes Community College Board of Trustees for a new term beginning July 1, 2026.

Josh currently serves as Secretary of the Board and has been a valued and respected member of our board. He brings a thoughtful and sometimes humorous perspective to our discussions and is always focused on how the college can best serve students and our communities. Josh attends student events held at the Ashe Campus of WCC ensuring he understands the students' perspectives.

As a member of the Ashe County Board of Education, Josh provides an important connection between Ashe County Schools and Wilkes Community College. His involvement with both boards helps strengthen our partnership and supports efforts to create more opportunities for Ashe County students. His insight into the needs of your local school system and advocacy for educational partnerships have been especially beneficial to the college and the Ashe County community.

I believe Josh's continued service would be a benefit to both the college and Ashe County, and I appreciate your consideration of his reappointment.

Thank you for your continued support of Wilkes Community College.

Best Regards,



Jay Vannoy
Chairman, Board of Trustees