

(AP) Gov. Scott Walker says he will participate in two debates before the June 5 recall election even though his Democratic rival Tom Barrett wants him to do four. Walker said Wednesday he would participate in televised debates on May 25 and May 31. The first is sponsored by The Wisconsin Broadcasters Association and the second will be hosted by Mike Gousha from WISN-TV in partnership with the Marquette University Law School, Wispolitics.com, and the WISN network of affiliates. Walker's campaign spokesman Ciara Matthews says the governor looks forward to the debates and having a "robust" discussion contrasting his record with Barrett. Barrett had asked Walker to hold four debates all focused on the issue of jobs. A spokeswoman for Barrett's campaign had no immediate response.