ATTENDANCE
Mr. Dennis Treu, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 4:01 pm on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 in Room 140 of the Western Technical College Black River Falls Regional Learning Center, 24 Fillmore Street, Black River Falls, WI. Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss, Dave Laehn, Angie Lawrence, Sally Lister, Ed Lukasek, Joan Sosalla, Dennis Treu and Lee Rasch, President. District Board member Dan Hanson was excused.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING
Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Friday, October 16, 2015 at 1:30 pm with the agenda being distributed to interested persons, sent to the District's official newspaper (The La Crosse Tribune), and distributed to other news media throughout the District in compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.81 through 19.98.

OTHERS PRESENT
Others Present: Denise Vujnovich, Wade Hackbarth, Amy Thornton, Janice Strupp, John Heath, Roger Stanford, Patti Balacek (Western staff) and Layla Merrifield, Executive Director, District Boards Association.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion Buss, second Bosshard that the Western Technical College District Board approve the minutes to the September 15, 2015 regular meeting as amended. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
Motion Lister, second Sosalla, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt the resolution of commendation honoring Robert Eastham, EMS/Fire Coordinator, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs, on his retirement from Western Technical College. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the resolution in its entirety is attached to and incorporated in these minutes as Attachment A.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS
Motion Sosalla, second Buss, that the Western Technical College District Board approve financial reports – Schedule of Payments for September. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0.

Motion Lukasek, second Lister, that the Western Technical College District Board approve financial reports – Vendors Over $2500 for September 2015. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0; Abstention, 1. Motion carried

Motion Lister, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board approve financial reports – General Revenue/Expense Report 2014-15 (final). Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0.

Motion Lister, second Sosalla, that the Western Technical College District Board approve financial reports – General Revenue/Expense Report 2015-16 for September 2015. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Dr. Rasch delivered a brief update pertaining to a very positive meeting with K12 administrators during which tours were offered. A reminder of the 7 Rivers Alliance State of the Union session on November 7 was provided. Lee shared his experience while touring the neighborhood between Western and UW-L during Oktoberfest weekend evenings. Western again was recognized for Tree Campus USA. Correspondence from Senator Tammy Baldwin is included in packets. A brief discussion on spear phishing, an electronic way to gain trust and on-going communication via email was brought forth and will be addressed during a future meeting.

Dr. Rasch introduced Layla Merrifield, Executive Director, District Boards Association, who provided updates pertaining to legislative actions, broadband expansion for on-line learning and reminded the District Board of the upcoming District Boards Association meeting on October 29-31.

DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRPERSON REPORT/UPDATE
Mr. Treu reminded the District Board of the annual District and Foundation Boards dinner scheduled for Tuesday, November 17 and the District Board retreat on December 9.
DISTRICT BOARD PLANNING, POLICY AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT
Mr. Laehn reported the Planning, Policy and Instruction Committee heard a report on online expansion, the Get Growing Partnership and reviewed policy revisions.

DISTRICT BOARD BUDGET AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT
Ms. Sosalla reported the Budget and Facilities committee addressed several topics including: 1) subcommittee update; 2) 2015 property tax recommendation; 3) annual procurement report; 4) 2014-15 financial operating results; 2014-15 budget modifications; 5) issue paper regarding subcommittee approval of Kumm Center bids; 6) Vision 2020 update and 7) financial reports.

TID REPORTS
Ms. Sosalla reported the Arcadia TID 3 was amended for another 10 years to reroute Meyers Creek, and #4 was amended to address infrastructure related to a power station. The City of Blair #7 was approved and will address residential development between schools. The City of Independence TID #2 was approved which will be mixed use for development of Gordy’s. Mr. Bosshard reported the Village of Bangor #2 was passed and addresses water infrastructure. He further reported the new City of La Crosse TID 17’s main focus will be new construction of a parking structure in northern downtown. Ms. Lawrence reported that the City of Viroqua approved TID #6.

ADOPT RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TAX LEVY FOR THE 2015-16 BUDGET
Motion Lawrence, second Lister that the Western Technical College District Board adopt the Resolution to Authorize Tax Levy for the 2015-16 Budget as presented. Roll call: Bosshard, yes; Buss, yes; Laehn, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lister, yes; Lukasek, yes; Sosalla, yes; Treu, yes. Motion carried

ANNUAL REVIEW AND REPORT OF PROCUREMENTS
Motion Laehn, second Sosalla that the Western Technical College District Board approve the review of procurements for 2014-2015 performed by the Business Office. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

EXPANSION OF ONLINE COURSE AND PROGRAM OFFERING
Motion Lister, second Lawrence that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the investment of college resources in the infrastructure necessary to distribute online courses and programs. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

NEW PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT – PROGRAM PROPOSAL – ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE, IT-BUSINESS SYSTEMS ANALYST
Motion Bosshard, second Sosalla that the Western Technical College District Board approve the submittal of a Program Proposal for the Associate of Applied Science, IT Business Systems Analyst program for consideration at the Wisconsin Technical College System Board meeting in January 2016. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

APPRENTICESHIP CIRCUIT INSTRUCTION CONTRACT 2015-2016
Motion Lawrence, second Sosalla that the Western Technical College District Board approve the Apprenticeship Circuit Contract for 2015-2016. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CHANGES TO THE 2014-2015 BUDGET
Motion Lister, second Laehn that the Western Technical College District Board approve the Resolution to Adopt Changes to the 2014-2015 Budget. Roll call: Bosshard, yes; Buss, yes; Laehn, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lister, yes; Lukasek, yes; Sosalla, yes; Treu, yes. Motion carried.

KUMM CENTER BIDS APPROVAL
Motion Laehn, second Sosalla, that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the Budget & Facilities Subcommittee to award bids on October 27, 2015 if at or below approved budget. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

POLICIES – FIRST READING
Motion Lukasek, second Laehn, to approve for first reading revised policies: A) A0104 Hold Harmless in Performance of Duties; B) A0119 Policy Development, Adoption, Review, Revision, Suspension and Discontinuance; C) A0120 Electronic Policy Library and Distribution; D) D0104 School Year; E) E0400 Student Financial Aid; and F) G0100 Use of Data/Research and Information Technology. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.
POLICIES – SECOND READING AND ADOPTION
Motion Bosshard, second Lukasek to approve for second reading and adoption the following policies: A) E0200 Admission (revision); and B) Veterans Admission and Call-Up (new). Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA
Notice of Resignation – Jeanne Johnson, Instructor, Therapeutic Massage, Health and Public Safety, Academic Affairs

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion Lukasek, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A) Personnel: 1) Notice of Employment of a) Brooke Bahr, Security Coordinator, Student Life, Student Development and Success; b) Melissa Elliott, Law Enforcement Coordinator, Health and Public Safety, Academic Affairs; c) Sarah Jackson, Human Resource Assistant, Human Resources, Finance and Operations; d) Jenna Simpson, Professional Tutor, Learner Support & Transition, Student Development and Success; 2) Notice of Retirement of a) Sandra Schlechter, Food Service Production Lead, Lunda Center, Finance and Operations; 3) Notice of Resignation of a) Christopher Hilton, Chef, Lunda Center, Finance and Operations; B) Project Submission and Acceptance – FY16-19 – National Science Foundation Advanced Technological Education, Regional Fusion-Building Engineering Pathways from K-12 Academies to 4-Year Degrees; and C) FY 2015 BIS Contract Report. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS
As follow-up to the recently attended ACCT Leadership Congress in San Diego, Ms. Lawrence provided handouts.

ADJOURNMENT
5:24pm: Motion Lister, second Sosalla, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Ed Lukasek, Secretary
Resolution of Commendation

Robert Eastham

Whereas, Robert “Bob” Eastham, EMS/Fire Coordinator in the Health and Public Safety Division, retired from Western Technical College on September 17, 2015, after completing 4 ½ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Bob was committed to providing the best fire training possible, by considering alternative sequencing and delivery of continuing education; and

Whereas, one of his primary concerns was the safety of our students and faculty; and

Whereas, Bob was always willing to assist coworkers and take on extra projects; and

Whereas, he was trusted with the important role of Emergency Operations Center Manager in the event of an emergency at Western; and

Whereas, Bob was an exceptional resource, representing the college with professionalism as he delivered confined space training for Business and Industry Services; and

Whereas, his expertise, wit, funny stories, and radio DJ voice will be missed; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of the Western Technical College District hereby expresses its appreciation and gives a special commendation to Bob Eastham for his years of service and his commitment to excellence; and be it

Resolved, that the Western Technical College District Board, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students all wish Bob many happy and satisfying years in his retirement.