Ms. Angie Lawrence, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 4:12pm on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 in room 408 of the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 North Seventh Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin. Board members present: Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss, Dan Hanson, Angie Lawrence, Ed Lukasek, Ken Peterson, Dennis Treu, and Roger Stanford, President. Board Members Michelle Greendeer-Rave and Dave Laehn were excused.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Friday, August 17, 2018 at 7:45am 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: Amy Thornton, Wade Hackbarth, Bruce Mathew, Janice Strupp, John Heath, Tracy Dryden, Rande Daykin, Jay McHenry, Patti Balacek, Angie Martin, Barb Stanke (Western staff)

Public comment: None

Motion Treu, second Peterson, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolution of commendation honoring Barbara Stanke on her retirement from Western. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution in its entirety is attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachment A.

Items to be removed from consent agenda: None

Motion Bosshard, second Lukasek, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. July 9 2018 District Board Meeting Minutes; B. Financial Reports – July 2018; 1) Schedule of Payments; 2) Vendors Over $2500; C. Personnel – 1) Notice of Employment: a) Deanne Becker, Instructor Math, General Studies Division, Academic Affairs; b) Carl DeCarlo, Dean, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs; c) Kristine Engstrand, Instructor EMS, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs; d) Ryan Monroe, Wellness Center Manager, Finance and Operations; e) Cody Murphy, PC Support Technician, INMS, Finance and Operations Unit; f) Aaron Murphy-Lopez, Adult Education Instructor, Learner Support and Transition Division, Academic Affairs; g) Matthew Repaal, Sous Chef, Union Market, Finance and Operations; 2) Notice of Retirement - a) Sherry Holt, YouthBuild Program Coordinator, Learner Support and Transition Division, Academic Affairs; b) Christine Krueger, Instructor, Occupational Therapy, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs; 3) Notice of Resignation - a) Lizz Boecker, Business Services Coordinator, Business and Industry Services, Finance and Operations; b) Emily Buege, Research Analyst, Planning and Organizational Excellence, Executive Offices; c) Kurt Hulett, Custodian, Physical Plant, Finance and Operations; d) Amy Kleiber, Instructor, Medical Assistant, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs; e) Kristina Lemmer, Manager Admissions and Assessment Center, Admissions, Student Service and Engagement; f) Gina Merrell, Project Proven Case Manager, Project Proven, Student Service and Engagement; D. Admission of Students Under the Age of 16 Into Specialized Classes; E. Project Submission and Acceptance 2018-2020 - 1) DWD Expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward Grant Application – High School Student Certifications. Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over $2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Bosshard that the Western Technical College District Board approve the recall of the March 2018 WTCS approval for the Sparta Public Safety Training Center in-door firing range and resubmit as outlined for the same to the WTCS Board for approval at its September 11-12, 2018 meeting. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board approve the Sparta Public Safety Training Center classroom remodel as outlined and submit the same to the WTCS Board for approval at its September 11-12, 2018 meeting. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board approve the Sparta Public Safety Training Center fire tower as outlined and submit the same to the WTCS Board for approval at its September 11-12, 2018 meeting. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Buss, second Bosshard, that Western Technical College District Board approve the Western Technical College Board Evaluation as presented. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.
Student Ambassador Alyssa Boardman, a Human Resource Management graduate, provided a Student Government update. She also shared why she chose Western for her education.

District Board was provided a Business and Industry Services report by Patti Balacek and Angie Martin which included a vision/traction organizer, FY18 year-end financial breakdown and key performance indicators.

Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and reminded the District Board of College Day, scheduled for Tuesday, August 28th beginning at 9:00am.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, Ken Peterson and Ed Lukasek provided updates from the District Boards Association summer meeting. Ms. Lawrence thanked District Board members who were able to attend the Advance session, and Tracy Dryden for her facilitation of the session.

The Planning, Policy & Instruction committee discussed the Experience 2025 Strategic Plan launch, and was provided presentations/reports on advisory committees and enrollment.

Casey Meehan provided Western’s Sustainability Plan during the Budget and Facilities Committee meeting. Ken Peterson gave a subcommittee report. The July 30, 2018 Budget & Facilities subcommittee meeting minutes were approved. Monthly financial reports were reviewed.

5:21pm: Motion Lukasek, second Hanson, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Carrie Buss, District Board Secretary
Resolution of Commendation

Barbara Stanke

Whereas, Barb Stanke, Math Instructor in the General Studies Division, will retire from Western Technical College on August 20, 2018, after completing over 16 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Barb recognizes her responsibility to deliver value to her students and dedicates a tremendous amount of time to determining how well they are learning; and

Whereas, she exceeds expectations by conducting more classroom assessments than most instructors and has a well-closed feedback loop with her students; and

Whereas, Barb is willing to work evenings and weekends to accommodate her students. She wants them to succeed and does whatever is necessary to help them help themselves; and

Whereas, her commitment is widely recognized and respected by her colleagues; and

Whereas, Barb’s students appreciate her desire to help them succeed – if they have her for one class, they want her for their next class; and

Whereas, her dedication to students and her generosity (and forcefulness) with snacks 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 Barb Stanke for her years of service and her commitment to excellence; and be it

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