Ms. Angie Lawrence, District Board Chair, called the organizational meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 4:02pm on Monday, July 9, 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, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Dan Hanson, Dave Laehn, Ed Lukasek, Ken Peterson, Dennis Treu, Angie Lawrence and Roger Stanford, President.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Thursday, July 5, 2018 at 2:24pm 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: Wade Hackbarth, Janice Strupp, Josh Gamer, Tracy Dryden, Rande Daykin, John Heath, Terre Armstrong, Mary McLaughlin and Kristina Stellpflug (Western staff)

Motion Buss, second Treu that agenda item #3 Oath of Office and Compliance to District Board Code of Ethics be moved prior to the Election of Chairperson. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0.

Ms. Lawrence administered the oath of office to reappointed members Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss and Dave Laehn who were appointed to serve 3-year terms beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021. Signatures were obtained from all Board members affirming their understanding and compliance to Policy A0106-Oath of Office and Code of Ethics for the District Board.

Dennis Treu nominated Angie Lawrence for the position of District Board Chairperson. Dan Hanson nominated Andrew Bosshard for the position of District Board Chairperson. Mr. Bosshard declined. Motion Buss to close nominations, second Laehn. Motion Buss to cast unanimous ballot for Angie Lawrence as Chairperson, second Treu. No other nominations presented. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0; Abstention 1. Ms. Lawrence was appointed unanimously.

Angie Lawrence nominated Andrew Bosshard for the position of District Board Vice Chairperson, seconded by Dan Hanson. Motion Lukasek to close nominations, second Laehn. No other nominations presented. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0; Abstention 1. Mr. Bosshard was appointed as Vice Chairperson.

Andrew Bosshard nominated Carrie Buss for the position of District Board Secretary, seconded by Dave Laehn. No other nominations were presented. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0; Abstention 1. Ms. Buss was appointed as District Board Secretary.

Carrie Buss nominated Ken Peterson for the position of District Board Treasurer, seconded by Dan Hanson. Motion Lukasek to close nominations, second Laehn. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0; Abstention 1. Mr. Peterson was appointed as Treasurer.

Motion Buss, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolutions of commendation honoring Terre Armstrong, Mary McLaughlin and Kristina Stellpflug on their retirements from Western. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. Copies of the resolutions in their entirety are attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachments A, B and C.

Motion Laehn, second Peterson, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. June 19, 2018 District Meeting Minutes; B. Financial Reports – June 2018; 1) Schedule of Payments; 2) Vendors Over $2500; C. Personnel - 1) Notice of Employment: a) Denise Carr, Associate Dean Business, Business Education Division, Academic Affairs; b) Chris Farvour, Experiential Learning Coach, Community Engagement, Student Service and Engagement; c) Margaret Ho, Career Coach Associate, Student Service and Engagement; d) Kathleen Linaker, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Academic Affairs, Executive Offices. Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over $2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board designate the District Board's meeting dates, times, and locations for 2018-2019 as follows, subject to change as needed. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.
Additional Special District Board meetings may be scheduled as needed.

Motion Buss, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board appoint District Board members (as amended) to 1) Ed Lukasek designated as District Board member to 2-year term (2018-20) to serve on WTC District Boards Association; 2) the WTC Boards Association Standing Committees for 2018-2019 as follows: Internal Best Practices Committee-Andrew Bosshard, Dennis Treu; External Partnerships Committee-Carrie Buss, Ken Peterson; Bylaws, Policy and Procedures Committee-Dan Hanson, Ed Lukasek; Award Nominations Raters-Angie Lawrence, Michelle Greendeer-Rave; 3) for 2018-2019 to appoint Ken Peterson as Chair of the District Board Budget and Facilities Committee (BAFC); Carrie Buss as Chair of the District Board Planning, Policy, and Instruction Committee (PPIC); Michelle Greendeer-Rave and Dennis Treu as Co-Chairs of the District Board New Directions Committee; Carrie Buss, Chair, Dan Hanson, and Dave Laehn to the Policy Subcommittee; Ken Peterson, Chair, Andrew Bosshard, and Ed Lukasek to the Budget & Facilities Subcommittee; 4) Michelle Greendeer-Rave as Western’s representative on the WTCS Insurance Trust Consortium, and 5) Angie Lawrence as the District Board representative on the Western Foundation Board 2017-2020. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Buss, second Treu, that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the administration to use Johns Flaherty and Collins as both General and Personnel Counsel; Strang, Patteson, Renning, Lewis & Lacy, S. C. as Labor Relations Counsel; Quarles and Brady as Bond Counsel with Mr. Brian Lanser as principal attorney; and to further designate and consult with specialized counsel as the need may arise in 2018-2019. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Buss, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the administration to use the firm of Robert W. Baird & Co as the District’s Public Finance Advisor for 2018-2019 with Mr. Brian Brewer as principal consultant. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Greendeer-Rave joined the meeting – 4:41 pm.

Motion Bosshard, second Hanson, that the Western Technical College District Board designate the La Crosse Tribune as the District’s official newspaper for 2018-2019. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Buss, second Laehn that the Western Technical College District Board approve the nine selected qualified public depositories throughout the District for all public monies coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Western Technical College District Board. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

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 Indoor Firing Range and resubmit as
outlined for the same to the WTCS Board for approval at its September 11-12, 2018 meeting as amended. Roll call: Bosshard, yes; Buss, yes; Hanson, yes; Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Peterson, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Hanson, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board approve the purchase of 712/718 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI property as outlined and submit same to the WTCS Board for approval at its September 11-12, 2018 meeting. Roll call: Bosshard, yes; Buss, yes; Hanson, yes; Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Peterson, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes. Motion carried.

Dr. Stanford presented the president’s goals for 2018-2019.

Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and reminded the District Board of the WTCS Board meeting being held in La Crosse July 10-11.

Ms. Lawrence thanked Board Members for their service on the District Board; advised that the annual calendar of agenda items will be revised; provided a reminder of the August 21 District Board Advance and the District Boards Association meeting July 12-14. Attendance was encouraged for the Futuremaker Award event on July 10. Plus delta feedback was requested.

The Planning, Policy & Instruction committee was provided the initial launch of Experience 2025 strategic plan, and a brief enrollment report.

Brief report on the annual out-of-state tuition remission reports was provided during the Budget and Facilities Committee meeting. Monthly financial reports were reviewed.

5:02pm: Motion Laehn, second Hanson, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Carrie Buss, District Board Secretary
Resolution of Commendation

Terre Armstrong

Whereas, Terre Armstrong, Financial Aid Technician in the Student Service and Engagement Division, will retire from Western Technical College on July 31, 2018, after completing over 21 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Terre is very friendly and welcoming to students and does her best to make sure each student understands the financial aid process; and

Whereas, she likes learning new things and keeps a very detailed binder of information for reference; and

Whereas, Terre is the grammar guru who makes sure documents and letters are always properly written; and

Whereas, she is able to make the workday enjoyable through her mannerisms and sayings, such as “it’s a no day!”; and

Whereas, Terre is consistently on time and rarely misses work;

Whereas, her infectious laugh, engaging banter, and quirky expressions 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 Terre Armstrong 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 Terre many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.
Resolution of Commendation

Mary McLaughlin

Whereas, Mary McLaughlin, Communications Instructor in the General Studies Division, will retire from Western Technical College on August 6, 2018, after completing over 10 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Mary is a steadfast, compassionate, and patient instructor whose intellect and creativity shine through in the lessons she delivers; and

Whereas, she is ardent and hardworking, always concerned with the quality and precision of the work that she completes; and

Whereas, Mary is observant to the needs of students, often noticing and intervening when a student is challenged with issues that may impede their success; and

Whereas, as a technology mentor, her door is always open and she is always available to lend a hand; and

Whereas, Mary is one of two instructors who created the free literature bookshelves for students in the General Studies division, and she tirelessly scours book sales and used book stores to provide quality literature for students; and

Whereas, she is described as a “true gem in the workplace” and her kindness, humor, and department meeting record-keeping skills 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 Mary McLaughlin 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 Mary many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.
Resolution of Commendation

Kristina Stellpflug

Whereas, Kristina Stellpflug, Disability Services Specialist in the Student Service and Engagement Division, will retire from Western Technical College on July 13, 2018, after completing 27 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Kristina is dedicated to making sure her students receive the services and accommodations that will ensure their success at Western; and

Whereas, she is very patient with students and staff and will do whatever needs to be done, no matter how challenging the situation; and

Whereas, Kristina is extremely knowledgeable in her field and has proven again and again what an asset she is to Western and the community; and

Whereas, she is a great team player who will always include others and is an inspiring and supportive colleague; and

Whereas, Kristina relishes volunteering by helping physically challenged and elderly individuals with outdoor experiences, such as trout fishing; and

Whereas, she consistently lives up to the moniker “one in a million,” and her 34 years of experience in the field of disability, her kindness, and her positivity will be greatly missed; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of the Western Technical College District hereby expresses its appreciation and gives a special commendation to Kristina Stellpflug 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 Kristina many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.