Ms. Angie Lawrence, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 4:02 pm on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 in room 408 of the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street N, La Crosse, WI. Board members present: Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss, Dan Hanson, Dave Laehn, Angie Lawrence, Ed Lukasek, Ken Peterson, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Dennis Treu, and Roger Stanford, President.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on November 16, 2018 at 2:30 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: Amy Thornton, Wade Hackbarth, Janice Strupp, Kat Linaker, Tracy Dryden, John Heath, Rande Daykin, Diane Neefe, Kari Reyburn (Western staff)

Public comment: None

Motion Buss, second Treu, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolution of appreciation recognizing Ben Konruff, WTCS Education Director for his guidance and support to Western. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

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 Buss, second Hanson that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. October 16, 2018 District Board Meeting Minutes; B. Financial Reports – October 2018 - 1) Schedule of Payments; 2) Vendors Over $2500; 3) General Revenue/Expense Report; 4) Bids/RFPs Awarded; C. Personnel - 1) Notice of Employment-a) Kevin Ruetten, Business Services Coordinator, Business and Industry Services, Finance and Operations; 2) Notice of Retirement-a) Cynthia Cassellius, Instructor, Nursing, Health and Public Safety Division, Academic Affairs; b) Bob Marconi, Associate Dean, Integrated Technology Division, Academic Affairs; c) Bruce Mathew, Director, Information Services, Finance and Operations; d) Doris Mish, Campus Coordinator, Regional Learning Center, Academic Affairs; e) Diane Neefe, Director, Regional Learning Centers, Academic Affairs; f) Michael Szczepanski, Coordinator/Trainer, BIS, Finance and Operations; 3) Internal Transfer of a) Michael Poellinger, Associate Dean, Integrated Technologies, Academic Affairs; D. BIS FY2018 Contract Board Report; E. College Policies | First Reading-1) New Policy-a) A0128 Board Conduct Policy; 2) Policies Reviewed | No Revisions-a) B0100 Fiscal Year; b) B0103 Budget Transfers; c) B0104 Board Budget and Facilities Committee – Financial Reports and Statements; d) B0109 Post-Insurance Compliance for Tax Exempt and Tax Advantaged Obligations; e) B0204 Fee Refund; 3) Policy Revision-a) C0404 Tuition Reimbursement

Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over $2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

Kari Reyburn, Community Engagement Coordinator, provided an update and distributed the 2018 annual report.

Motion Bosshard, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board approve the revised District Board annual planning calendar. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Hanson that the Western Technical College District Board accept and place on file the 2017-18 financial audit report prepared by Wipfli, LLP. Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and current priorities. Board members were reminded of the February 19 Advance session. He also announced that the Coleman Center has been certified LEED gold.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, Ms. Lawrence highlighted recent events that she had attended. She requested Dennis Treu and Andrew Bosshard forward notes for distribution from the ACCT Leadership Congress recently attended.

The Planning, Policy & Instruction committee toured the Wellness Center, discussed the Foundation MOU, and was presented a report on the Achieve the Dream Leader College submission. Subcommittee report was provided.
During the Budget and Facilities Committee meeting, discussion was held on the legal process update, cyber security and the 2019 capital borrowing plan. An audit report was provided by Wipfli, LLP. Subcommittee report was provided.

Under other business, annual TIF/TID meetings are being scheduled and Amy Schmidt or Wade Hackbarth will be attending. Discussion was held relative to the Eighth Street North storm water drainage areas.

5:15pm: Motion Lukasek, second Bosshard, 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.

Carrie Buss, District Board Secretary
Resolution of Appreciation

Ben Konruff

Whereas, Ben Konruff, Education Director - Performance Analysis & Continuous Improvement for the Wisconsin Technical College System, has been instrumental in providing guidance to Western in its efforts to drive action through data intelligence; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff has provided on-site and top notch service and training to Western’s staff and faculty; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff has been flexible in allowing Western to act as a pioneer in testing and using the WTCS Program Performance Dashboards; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff has been an advocate for the use of data to improve student success; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff skillfully disaggregates data to better understand equity, inclusion, and diversity in higher education; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff acknowledges the important role institutional research plays in advancing the student success agenda; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff has led efforts to align the work of Achieving the Dream with WTCS colleges; and

Whereas, Ben Konruff has worked tirelessly with all 16 colleges in the system to further use of a common data set and language; therefore be it

Resolved, that the President of Western Technical College hereby expresses his appreciation and gives a special commendation to Ben Konruff for his partnership and support; and be it

Resolved, that the administration, faculty, staff, and students of Western Technical College all recognize and acknowledge Ben Konruff for his contributions to performance excellence, continuous quality improvement, and student success.