

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting & Public Hearing on Annual Budget
June 20, 2023

Mr. Ken Peterson, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at Western Technical College, Coleman Center RM 128, La Crosse, WI. Board members present Lance Bagstad, Jim Dillin, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Majel Hein, Kevin Hennessey, Angie Lawrence, Ed Lukasek, Ken Peterson, and Roger Stanford, President. Board member Andrew Bosshard was excused.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 1:46 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: Wade Hackbarth, Amy Thornton, Rebecca Hopkins, Jessica Pintz, Julie Lemon, Eric Jacobson, Larry Sleznikow, Brianne Shane, Liz Wallace, Josh Gamer, Janet Erickson, Tara Keifer, Gary Brown, Dave Wigness, and John Heath (Western employees), and new board member, Chet Doering, III.

A Public Hearing on the 2023-24 proposed Budget was held at 2:03 pm on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at the Western Technical College Coleman Center, Room 128, La Crosse, WI. No comments or questions were presented for consideration during the Public Hearing.

Motion Lawrence, second Hein, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the Resolution of Commendations | Janet Erikson, Grants and Reporting Specialist, David Wignes, Campus Shop Manager, Gary Brown, Dean Business Education, Barb L'Heureux, Registration/SIS Assoc., Sandy Peterson Registrar/SIS Coordinator, Ed Lukasek, District Board Member, presented by President Stanford. Votes: Ayes, 8 Opposed, 0. Motion carried. Copy of the resolutions are attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachments A, B, C, D, E and F.

Chairperson Peterson introduced new board member Chet Doering, III.

Presentations included updates from Layla Merrifield about the District Boards Association and current activities at the State Capital; an update from VPs Hackbarth, Hopkins, and Thornton on current and fall enrollments; Pres. Stanford provided an update on HLC activities leading up to the 2024 visit., VP Hackbarth provided an update on the 3-year Facilities Plan.

Lukasek (for Bosshard) provided an update on the Budget and Facilities subcommittee.

Bagstad provided an update on TIDs 3 and 4 from the City of Arcadia.

Motion Lukasek, second Dillin, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: 1. Minutes - a. May 09, 2023, District Board Regular Meeting, and Dec. 20, 2022 Budget and Facilities Subcommittee Meeting and 2. Financial Reports: a. Vendors over \$2,500-May b. General Revenue/Expense-April, c. Department Budget Summary-April d. Enterprise Services-April, e. Capital Projects-May; f. Bids/RFPs Awarded- May 2023 (info only) 3. Project Submission and Acceptance 2023-24 a. WTCS State Leadership Grant Funds. b. FYE 24-28 Dept. of Education-office of postsecondary education, Rural, and Economic Dev. Grant. Votes: Ayes, 7, Opposed 0, Abstain: 1 from Vendors over \$2,500. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Greendeer, that the Western Technical College District Board approved: 1. Out of State Tuition Remission/Waivers; 2. 3-Year 2023-26 Facilities Plan as presented and submit same to WTCS for record, 3. District Board Annual Fees, Votes: Ayes, 8, Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL to Approve: Bagstad, Dillin, Hennessey, Greendeer-Rave, Lukasek, Hein, Lawrence, and Peterson to Approve the following: 1. President's Employment Contract Amendment, 2. Adopt Salary Adjustment-3% Total Salary Increase FY202-243, 3. Adopt Board Approval of the presented 2023-24 Budget.

President's Report, Dr. Stanford shared a few special thank you's to the board and Dean Gamer, ACCT Conference in Oct., some recent college activities, information on upcoming board meetings and events, and a reminder of board dinner.

District Board Chairperson's report, a reminder of the upcoming DBA July meeting and the Legal Conference in October, a special thank you to outgoing member, Lukasek. Reminder to complete Plus Delta.

No closed session.

4:52 pm: Motion Lukasek second Hein that the Western Technical College District Board adjourn. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.


Majel Hein, District Board Secretary



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Resolution of Commendation to **Patty Adams**

Whereas, Patty Adams, Teaching Assistant in the Health and Public Safety Division retired from Western Technical College on June 6, after completing 22+ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Patty has a tremendous work ethic and passion for helping students, always going above and beyond to help the Nursing faculty assist students in any way possible; and

Whereas, she is a caring and passionate individual, often taking the time to listen and learn wherever possible; and

Whereas, Patty was a great co-worker and friend, giving everyone a good laugh and always being there for others; and

Whereas, she loved her students and the mission of Western Technical College; and

Whereas, her work ethic, passion for helping, and kindness 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 Patty Adams 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 Patty many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.

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Roger Stanford, PhD, President/District Director

Ken Peterson, Chair