CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Tuesday, January 24, 2006, and called to order by Chairperson Bell at 4:34 p.m. in the Board Room, Room M210, at the Downtown Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM A. ROLL CALL

Present: Lauren Baker, Jeannette Bell, Peter G. Earle, Linda S. Sowell, and Lenard Wells.

William Hughes arrived at 4:44 p.m. and Pedro Colón joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m. (via telephone).

Excused: Mark S. Maierle and Bobbie R. Webber.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Discussion Chairperson Bell indicated that proper notice of the meeting had been given in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

ITEM C. DISCUSSION ON SHARED GOVERNANCE

Chairperson Bell distributed an “Excerpted Summary of Proceedings” from the November 19, 2005, board retreat.

There was a discussion based on the questions: who has final decision-making authority at the college and who has responsibility for implementing policy?

Mr. Hughes arrived at 4:44 p.m.
Mr. Colón joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m. (via telephone).
Chairperson Bell called a recess at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM D.  APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C-1 Regular Board Meeting: December 20, 2005

Motion  It was moved by Ms. Sowell, seconded by Mr. Earle, to approve the December 20, 2005, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Action  Motion approved.

ITEM E.  COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

Chairperson Bell noted that the order of the agenda items would be changed by moving Item FPO-6, Resolution Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06D of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin; and Item FPO-7, Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06E of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin prior to Item G., Chairperson’s Report.

ITEM F.  APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

FPO-2 Bills – December 2005
FPO-4 Human Resources Report
FPO-5 Procurement Report

Motion  It was moved by Dr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Action  Motion approved.
ITEM M.  FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Action Items

FPO-6  Resolution Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06D of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Discussion  Mr. Vincent P. Lyles, director, Robert W. Baird & Co., distributed and reviewed the Final Pricing Summary for the promissory notes.

Motion  It was moved by Dr. Hughes, seconded by Ms. Sowell, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06D of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Action  Motion approved, the roll call vote being as follows:


Noes: None.

FPO-7  Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06E of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Motion  It was moved by Dr. Hughes, seconded by Ms. Sowell, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2005-06E of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Action  Motion approved, the roll call vote being as follows:


Noes: None.
ITEM G. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Discussion Chairperson Bell reported on the Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association January meeting.

Chairperson Bell made the following announcements:

• MATC District Board Appointment Committee information meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2006, 6:00 p.m., West Allis Campus.

• Board Retreat: Saturday, April 8, 2006. The board self-evaluation will be discussed at the retreat.

• Board’s Listening and Learning Sessions:
  o Wednesday, February 23, 2006, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Oak Creek Campus
  o Wednesday, March 15, 2006, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., West Allis Campus
  o Wednesday, April 5, 2006, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Mequon Campus

• Board Budget Workshop: 4:00 – 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2006, prior to the regular board meeting.

ITEM H. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Discussion Dr. Vicki J. Martin, interim vice president, Oak Creek Campus, announced that the Oak Creek Campus had received the Pride in Premises Award from the Southeastern Wisconsin Chamber of Businesses United. She commended the employees responsible for the upkeep of the campus.

Dr. Cole distributed “The President’s Goals, Response to MATC District Board Presidential Performance Evaluation, July 1 – December 31, 2005.”

ITEM I. STUDENT SENATE REPORT

Discussion Ms. Amanda Gray reported on student activities. She announced that she had decided to step aside as Student Representative to the MATC District Board.
ITEM J. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS REPORT

Discussion Mr. Tim Elverman, lobbyist, reviewed legislative matters related to the college, including maintaining funding levels for public television and Perkins funding at the federal level.

Mr. Elverman stated that the purpose of Assembly Bill 146, Changing the Amount for Contracts Let to Lowest Bidder, was to address the effects of inflation on Request for Proposal contracts for construction purposes for all levels of government. Mr. Elverman reported that he had not lobbied on the bill.

Mr. Elverman reported on a draft bill that would freeze the budget at the current year’s tax levy, except through a referendum.

Dr. Hughes recommended a tax levy that would be close to, or slightly above, the current level.

Mr. Elverman reported that Assembly Bill 603, Elected Boards, had been removed from the assembly’s agenda.

Action Item

J-1 Resolution in Support of AB 146 Changing the Amount for Contracts Let to Lowest Bidder

Discussion Mr. Robert S. Hartung, vice president, College Advancement, reported that the Legislative Task Force had reviewed the background information related to AB 146, Changing the Amount for Contracts Let to Lowest Bidder.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Colón, to oppose AB 146, Changing the Amount for Contracts Let to Lowest Bidder.

Action Motion not approved.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Colón, seconded by Mr. Wells, to table the Resolution in Support of AB 146 Changing the Amount for Contracts Let to Lowest Bidder.

Action Motion approved.
ITEM K. PUBLIC TELEVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Ms. Sowell gave highlights of the Public Television Committee meeting, which are reflected in the January 17, 2006, minutes. She acknowledged Mr. Lamont McLoughlin’s 20 years of service to Channels 10/36.

ITEM L. EDUCATION, SERVICES, AND INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Ms. Baker gave highlights of the Education, Services, and Institutional Relations Committee meeting, which are reflected in the January 18, 2006, minutes. It was suggested that the Program Applications, Enrollment, and FTEs report be presented at the March 28, 2006, board meeting.

Action Item

ESIR-8 Strategic Plan Goals/AQIP Action Projects

Motion It was moved by Ms. Baker, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to approve the Strategic Plan Goals/AQIP Action Projects.

Action Motion approved.

Policy Review

ESIR-2 Revision to Policy A0111-A, Areas of Responsibility of District Board Committees

Discussion Ms. Baker reviewed the Revision to Policy A0111-A, Areas of Responsibility of District Board Committees. She asked that any further changes be directed to Attorney Christy L. Brown.

ITEM M. FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Policy Review

M-1 Rescind Policy B0107, Internal Audit

Discussion Dr. Hughes reviewed Policy B0107, Internal Audit, and noted that it would come to the February 28, 2006, board meeting as a Policy Approval.
Discussion Item

FPO-9  Budget Variance Analysis

Discussion  Mr. Michael M. Sargent reviewed the budget variance analysis.

Information Item

FPO-14  Out-of-Country Travel Report

Discussion  Dr. Hughes presented the Out-of-Country Travel Report as an Information Item.

ITEM N.  MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Communications and Petitions

    None.

2. Information Items

    Ms. Baker reported that the college’s television advertisements were presented and well received at the January Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association meeting.

    Ms. Sowell reported that she and Mr. Ellis Bromberg, general manager, Public Television, would participate in American Public Television Capitol Hill Day to advance items of importance to the stations.

    Ms. Sowell announced that she, Ms. Baker, and Ms. Leslie Hundt, director, Downtown Milwaukee Campus Day Care Center, would tour the center with Ms. Roberta Gassman, secretary, State of Wisconsin Workforce Development.

ITEM O.  OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

1. Future Agenda Items

    • Workshop on the theory of a balanced budget.
2. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2006, 5:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, Board Room (M210); Board Budget Workshop, 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Colón noted that the state legislature would be in session on February 28, 2006, and it would be difficult for him to participate in the board meeting via telephone.

ITEM P. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND DISCUSSION OF RELATED FISCAL INFORMATION

Closed Session

Motion It was moved by Ms. Sowell, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to convene into Closed Session, pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Item P., Collective Bargaining and Discussion of Related Fiscal Information, to discuss and formulate strategy in its negotiations with the college’s collective bargaining units because such bargaining reasons require a Closed Session.

Action Motion to convene into Closed Session to discuss Item P. approved, the roll call vote being as follows:

Ayes: Earle, Hughes, Sowell, Wells, Baker, Colón, and Bell.

Noes: None.

ITEM Q. NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

No discussion.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Sowell
Secretary