CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Tuesday, February 27, 2007, and called to order by Chairperson Webber at 5:01 p.m. in the Board Room, M210, at the Downtown Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM A. ROLL CALL

Present: Lauren Baker, Jeannette Bell, Peter G. Earle, Mark S. Maierle, Bobbie R. Webber, Lenard Wells, and Ann Wilson.

Pedro Colón arrived at 5:08 p.m.

Excused: William H. Hughes attempted to connect via telephone, but due to technical problems was not connected to the meeting.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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

ITEM C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C-1 Regular Board Meeting: January 23, 2007

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Earle, to approve the January 23, 2007, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Action Motion approved.
ITEM D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Discussion: Dr. Michael Rosen, president, Local 212, distributed a copy of the AQIP (Academic Quality Improvement Plan) Conversation Day Results, February 23, 2007, which, he stated, illustrated a disconnect between faculty and administration. He requested that the union contracts be settled and that faculty, administrators, and board members work together.

Mr. Pedro Colón arrived at 5:08 p.m.

Mr. Avalt Tohm, student, distributed a resolution which stated that the student senate should create its bylaws and submit them, with its constitution, to the MATC District Board for approval; and a copy of MATC Policy A0106, District Board Member Code of Ethics. He requested that the board act on the proposed resolution. Mr. Tohm noted that he had contacted each board member by telephone regarding the matter and had received no responses. He asked that the resolution be included on the March 27, 2007, board agenda.

Mr. Robert Miranda, executive director, and Dr. Narciso Aleman, special counsel, Esperanza Unida, remarked on the partnership of Esperanza Unida, Bucyrus International, and the college to train and educate people of color in the community to become heavy-plate welders. Dr. Aleman congratulated the board on approving the contract for Mr. William A. Clay. He requested that the board approve the contract with Esperanza Unida, and requested that board members who had a conflict of interest on the matter refrain from voting.

ITEM E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

FPO-4 Human Resources Report
FPO-5 Procurement Report
FPO-6 Quarterly Affirmative Action Report

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Discussion Dr. Pablo G. Cardona, associate vice president, Human Resources, noted that Ms. Barbara Toles had requested an extension of her leave for an additional year.
Mr. Michael S. Sargent, vice president, Finance, noted that the Senior Project Assistant contract was a continuation of a contract for the purpose of finishing a project.

Motion Ms. Baker made a friendly amendment that Item FPO-5, Procurement Report, III. Contracts for Services, 1. Senior Project Assistant, be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Discussion Mr. Sargent stated that the contractor would continue to work at risk.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item FPO-5, Procurement Report, III. Contracts for Services, 1. Senior Project Assistant.

Action Motion approved.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Maierle, to return Item FPO-5, Procurement Report, III. Contracts for Services, 1. Senior Project Assistant, to the Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM F. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Discussion Chairperson Webber introduced Mr. Paul Gabriel, executive director, and Mr. David Logghe, president, Wisconsin Technical College System District Boards Association. Mr. Logghe thanked board members for their active participation in the WTCS District Boards Association, and congratulated Ms. Baker on her re-election to the Association of Community College Trustees Board. He announced that the WTCS District Boards Association July 13-14, 2007, meeting would be held in Milwaukee. Mr. Gabriel distributed information on the WTCS Funding in Perspective and a report, Budget Bill Promotes WTCS Role in Worker Training.

F-1 MATC Foundation Report

Discussion Mr. Wells gave highlights of the February 15, 2007, MATC Foundation meeting, noting that cash contributions totaled $104,240 and equipment contributions totaled $129,670. He thanked those board members who had contributed to the
foundation, and urged the remaining members to consider making contributions. Mr. Wells announced that Mr. George Hinton, vice president, Aurora Sinai Medical Center, had been named to the MATC Foundation Board.

Chairperson Webber requested board members participate in the board’s Listening and Learning Sessions:

- Thursday, March 1, 2007, 5:00 p.m., West Allis Campus
- Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 12:00 noon, Downtown Milwaukee Campus
- Tuesday, March 13, 2007, 3:00 p.m., Mequon Campus
- Thursday, March 2, 2007, 5:00 p.m., Oak Creek Campus.

Chairperson Webber announced the board retreat on Saturday, March 10, 2007.

Chairperson Webber expressed concern regarding the cancellation of board committee meetings and requested that, as chairperson, he be informed of changes/cancellations of meetings. Ms. Bell noted that a sudden health issue had prevented her from participating in the FPO Committee meeting and stated that she was troubled that the press had reported that she had not returned their telephone call, which had been placed after 5:00 p.m. Mr. Colón stated that the FPO meeting had been cancelled due to an error by a college staff member. Mr. Wells opined that there were other issues involved in the matter, not the cancellation of the meeting itself.

ITEM G. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Discussion Dr. Cole congratulated Ms. Gloria Pitchford-Trice, recipient of The Milwaukee Times 2007 Black Excellence Award in Education.

Mr. John P. Stilp, interim vice president, Mequon Campus, reported that the M-7 group had met at the Mequon Campus to discuss regional business cooperation. He noted that the college had received a Department of Labor grant and would be working with M-7.

President Cole stated that he had attended two of Governor Doyle’s press conferences and noted that the governor had recognized the college at those events.
Mr. James R. Walsh, interim provost, gave an update on college transfer agreements the college has with approximately 400 colleges and universities, including 9 Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Ms. Rose Massey, retired faculty member, gave a report on the Just One Mentoring program, and introduced Ms. Betty Chapman, mentor, and Mses. Virginia Carter and Jamie Gardner, students, who shared their transformation and life-change experiences related to the program.

ITEM H. STUDENT SENATE REPORT

Discussion
Mr. Chris Clark reported on various student activities on the campuses, as well as:
- *The MATC Times* won the third place Best of Show award at the Midwest College Newspaper Convention.
- Interior Design students won the best “Model Bedroom” competition at the NARI Home Remodeling Show.
- Thirteen students participated in the WTCS Legislative Day in Madison.

Mr. Clark thanked Representative Colón for his support of students and the WTCS in the state legislature.

ITEM I. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS REPORT

Discussion
Ms. Bell gave highlights of the Legislative Task Force, which met on February 2, 2007. She stated that Mses. Baker and Wilson and she had participated in the Association of Community College Trustees Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. Ms. Bell reported that Mr. Earle had invited Representatives Judy Robson and Spencer Coggs to tour Channels 10 and 36, and that she had also participated in the tour and discussion of the stations.

ITEM J. PUBLIC TELEVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion
Mr. Earle gave highlights of the Public Television Committee meeting, which are reflected in the February 19, 2007, minutes. He distributed two reports, WMVS Audience by County and History of Proposed State Funding for WMVS/WMVT, which related to parity of funding for the stations.
Mr. Michael Walsh, associate vice president, Information Technology, gave an update on the Request for Proposal for WiMax.

Ms. Wilson commended Mr. Ellis Bromberg, general manager, Milwaukee Public Television, on representing the college at the Corporation for Public Broadcasting meeting.

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

Discussion  Ms. Baker noted that there was no report because the committee had not met.

ITEM L. FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Action Items

FPO-7 Resolution (F0006-02-07) Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2006-07F of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Discussion  Mr. John A. Mehan, managing director, Robert W. Baird & Co., distributed and reviewed information regarding the issuance of the general obligation promissory notes.

Motion  It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2006-07F of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes: Baker, Bell, Colón, Earle, Maierle, Wells, Wilson, and Webber – 8.

Noes: None.
FPO-8 Resolution (F0007-02-07) Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes Series 2006-07G of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Discussion Mr. Sargent reviewed the authorization for issuance of the promissory notes.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve Resolution (F0007-02-07) Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2006-07G of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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


Noes: None.

FPO-9 Resolution (F0008-02-07) to Approve Lease from Esperanza Unida

Discussion Dr. Cole suggested that the resolution be taken back to the FPO Committee for further discussion. Dr. David B. Turner, dean, Technology and Applied Sciences, and Ms. Sandra L. McClary, director, Office of Corporate Learning, gave an overview of the selection process related to choosing Esperanza Unida as a site for the heavy plate welding program, using the following criteria:

- Develop a college presence on the south side of Milwaukee for a multicultural environment
- A site that would accommodate adults
- A site that would allow the college to build to capacity
- Flux core welding capabilities
- Overhead jib crane in place.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Ms. Baker, to send the resolution back to the FPO Committee.

Discussion Mr. Wells opined that the resolution should be approved.

Ms. Baker noted that Milwaukee Public Schools had not made a request for accommodating this program, but she expressed concern that a site location was not bid out to private enterprises – the contract was not put out for bid.
FPO-11 Resolution (F0010-02-07) to Approve FY2006-2007 Budget Modification

Discussion Mr. Sargent reviewed the budget modification.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Maierle, to approve the Resolution (F0010-02-07) to Approve FY2006-2007 Budget Modification.

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

Ayes: Colón, Earle, Maierle, Wells, Wilson, Baker, Bell, and Webber – 8.

Noes: None.

Discussion Items


Discussion No discussion.

L-1 Advisory Audit Committee Report

Discussion Ms. Bell gave highlights of the February 8, 2007, Advisory Audit Committee.

ITEM M. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Communications and Petitions
   None.

2. Information Items
   None.
ITEM N. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

1. Future Agenda Items
   • Contracts for Services, Senior Project Assistant: March 2007 FPO Committee.
   • Retention Report: April 2007 ESIR Committee.
   • Resolution (F0008-02-07) to Approve Lease from Esperanza Unida: March 2007 FPO Committee.
   • Explanation of process for student access to board regarding issues and concerns.

2. Date of Next Meeting
   Tuesday, March 27, 2007, 5:00, Regular Board Meeting, Milwaukee Campus, Board Room (M210).

ITEM O. CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF NONRENEWAL OF NONREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

ITEM P. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND DISCUSSION OF RELATED FISCAL INFORMATION

ITEM Q. BOARD MAY RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION UNDER ITEMS O. and P.

Closed Session

Motion  It was moved by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Colón, 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. The MATC District Board may reconvene into Open Session to take action on matters discussed in Closed Session under Item P.

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

Ayes: Earle, Maierle, Wells, Wilson, Baker, Bell, Colón, and Webber – 8.

Noes: None.
Mr. Wells departed the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenard Wells
Secretary