CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in Open Session on Tuesday, February 24, 2009, and called to order by Chairperson Baker at 5:04 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; Robert M. Davis (via telephone); Peter G. Earle; Melanie C. Holmes; Thomas A. Michalski; Richard F. Monroe; Fred Royal, Jr.; Bobbie R. Webber; and Ann Wilson.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Discussion Chairperson Baker 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 27, 2009
C-2 Special Board Meeting: February 19, 2009

Action Motion approved by consensus.
ITEM D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Nick Kasprzak, student senate member, thanked the board for its support of students to attend national leadership conferences.

The following individuals spoke in support of the board’s decision regarding MATC President Dr. Darnell E. Cole at the February 19, 2009, Special Board Meeting:
- Dr. Michael Rosen, president, Local 212, and members of the L212 Executive Board

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the board’s decision regarding MATC President Dr. Darnell E. Cole at the February 19, 2009, Special Board Meeting:
- Mr. Michael Mayo, Sr., supervisor, Milwaukee County
- Mr. LaMonte Harris, Esperanza Unida
- Mr. Kirk Bickham, The Bickham Project
- Mr. William A. Campbell, MATC employee
- Mr. Willie C. Wade, alderman, City of Milwaukee
- Mr. Lee Shaw, pastor
- Mr. Harrison D. Kern
- Mr. Keith Smith, president, Black Student Union
- Mr. Don Sykes, Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board
- Ms. Authan Johnson, Black Student Union
- Carlton Adams

Ms. June Roque, faculty member, expressed concerns about issues regarding Hispanic faculty and a Hispanic administrator.

Mr. Webber expressed concern regarding the process used at the February 19, 2009, Special Board Meeting and suggested that the process and procedure for future personnel hearings be reviewed at a Special Board Meeting; and he asked that the board listen to the public.
ITEM E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

FPO-2 Bills – January 2009
FPO-4 Human Resources Report
FPO-5 Procurement Report
FPO-6 Quarterly Affirmative Action Report

Discussion Mr. Earle stated that Item III., Contracts for Services, Telecommunication, Internet Bandwidth, had been added to the agenda after the Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee meeting.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded Ms. Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item III., Contracts for Services, Telecommunication, Internet Bandwidth.

Action Motion approved.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Webber, to approve Item III., Contracts for Services, Telecommunication, Internet Bandwidth.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM F. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Discussion Chairperson Baker gave a report on the Association of Community College Trustees Legislative Summit that she, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Holmes, and Dr. Davis had attended.

Chairperson Baker stated that the February 28, 2009, board retreat would be postponed to a later date.

F-1 MATC Foundation Report

Discussion Ms. Holmes reported:

- The scholarship recognition event will be held on March 31, 2009.
- A new scholarship fund was established with the support of Embassy Construction and TCF Bank Foundation.
- An audit was completed, with total assets of $5,062,033.
ITEM G. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Discussion Interim President Vicki J. Martin stated that she would meet with students, faculty, and staff at each campus:
- February 26, 2009, Mequon Campus
- March 2, West Allis Campus
- March 3, Oak Creek Campus
- March 4, Downtown Milwaukee Campus

ITEM H. STUDENT SENATE REPORT

Discussion Mr. David Sommers:
- Reported that he and 28 senators met with legislators in Madison. He distributed a Position Paper 2009 from the Wisconsin Student Government.
- Reported on student activities

Dr. Davis departed the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

ITEM I. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS REPORT

Discussion Mr. Royal and Mr. Tim J. Elverman, lobbyist, Broydrick and Associates, reported on:
- Federal issues:
  - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act – Increase in Pell Grant funding
  - Tuition tax credit increase
  - Funds for job training
- State issues:
  - Stimulus Catch Up Bill
  - Budget Fix-Up Bill

Chairperson Baker stated that Representatives Michael Sheridan and Barbara Toles will participate in an event at the Downtown Milwaukee Campus on March 9, 2009.

Mr. Elverman stated that Mr. John Stilp, vice president, Oak Creek Campus, spoke before the state’s Workforce Development Committee on February 12, 2009.

ITEM J. PUBLIC TELEVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Ms. Wilson stated that the MPTV Friends hired a new director, Mr. Rick Lore.
ITEM K.  EDUCATION, SERVICES, AND INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Policy Approval

K-1  Policy D0402, Advanced Standing

Motion  It was moved by Mr. Royal, seconded by Ms. Holmes, to approve Policy D0402, Advanced Standing.

Action  Motion approved.

ITEM L.  FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion  Mr. Earle gave highlights of the Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee meeting, which are reflected in the February 19, 2009, minutes, including:

•  Travel and expense reimbursement; reduction of overall travel budget by 30 percent
•  Request for Proposal for a consultant to work with administrators on a long-term facilities plan
•  Student fees funding for athletics, student life, and U-Pass

Action Items

FPO-7  Resolution (F0110-02-09) Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes Series 2008-2009H of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Discussion  Ms. Lisa M. Voisin, director, Robert W. Baird & Co., distributed and reviewed the Final Pricing Summary for the General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2008-2009H.

Motion  It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Dr. Monroe, to approve Resolution (F0110-02-09) Authorizing the Sale of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes Series 2008-2009H of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes:  Earle, Holmes, Michalski, Monroe, Royal, Webber, Wilson, and Baker – 8.

Noes:  None.
FPO8  Resolution (F0111-02-09) Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2008-09I of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Ms. Holmes, to approve Resolution (F0111-02-09) Authorizing the Issuance of $1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2008-09I of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes: Holmes, Michalski, Monroe, Royal, Webber, Wilson, Earle, and Baker – 8.

Noes: None.

Discussion Item


FPO-10  Budget Committee Update: Preliminary Budget Planning Assumptions

Discussion Mr. Earle presented the Budget Committee Update: Preliminary Budget Planning Assumptions.

L-1  Advisory Audit Committee Report

Discussion Mr. Webber gave highlights of the Advisory Audit Committee meeting. He requested that the matrix regarding the timeline for the audit committee be distributed to the board.
ITEM M.  MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Communications and Petitions
   None.

2. Information Items
   None.

ITEM N.  OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

1. Future Agenda Items:
   • Mr. Webber requested that a Special Board Meeting be called to provide an opportunity to raise concerns regarding the intent of the February 19, 2009, Special Board Meeting and to review the process, how the board listens to the public, and how input is taken in personnel hearings.
   • Mr. Webber requested that the process for a presidential search be included on the March 24, 2009, board meeting agenda.

2. Date of Next Meeting:
   • Tuesday, March 24, 2009, 5:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, Downtown Milwaukee Campus, Board Room (M210).

ITEM O.  DISCUSSION REGARDING FREEDOM FROM RELIGION FOUNDATION’S COMPLAINT

ITEM P.  CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF NON-RENEWAL FOR ADMINISTRATIVE (NON-REP) EMPLOYEES

Motion  It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Webber, to convene into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Item O., Freedom from Religion Foundation’s Complaint, to confer with legal counsel concerning strategy with respect to litigation the district may become involved with; and pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(b)(c), and (f) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Item P., Consideration of Preliminary Notice of Non-renewal for Administrative Non-represented Employees, to consider employment, compensation, or performance evaluation data of district employees over which the MATC District Board has
jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The board may reconvene into Open Session to take action on matters discussed in Closed Session under Items O. and P.

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

Ayes: Michalski, Monroe, Royal, Webber, Wilson, Earle, Holmes and Baker – 8.

Noes: None.

Closed Session

The board convened into Closed Session at 6:44 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Royal, Jr.
Secretary