



**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
JUNE 5, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Hearing on the proposed 2003-04 budget of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Thursday, June 5, 2003, and called to order by Chairperson Baker at 5:07 p.m. in the Board Room, Room M210, at the Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM A. ROLL CALL

Present: Lauren Baker, Jeannette Bell, Peter Earle, Carl (Chuck) Gobel, Mark Maierle, and Keith Terry. Elliott Moeser arrived at 5:21 p.m.

Excused: Julian Jasper and Mae Killebrew.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Chairperson Baker indicated that proper notice of the Public Hearing had been given in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

ITEM C. PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED BUDGET

Discussion Ms. Baker explained that the board would fully discuss the merits of the budget at the June 24, 2003, board meeting.

Ms. Baker stated that Dr. Darnell Cole was unable to attend the Public Hearing due to surgery, but that his designee, Attorney Christy Brown, was in attendance.

Ms. Baker noted that the budget being presented did not take into account the 2.6 percent levy freeze that had been proposed in the state budget.

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Mr. Todd Poppe presented the Activity Plan and Budget for 2003-04. He stated that the college would develop a response to the unanticipated challenge presented by the Joint Finance Committee.

ITEM D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Discussion Mr. John Klosiewski inquired as to how taxes could decrease on a \$100,000 house while the tax levy had increased. Mr. Poppe explained that the tax levy had increased at a slower rate than the property value growth. Mr. Klosiewski opined that a 4.9 percent increase in the tax levy was not a “modest” increase.

Mr. Warren Groff inquired if the entrepreneurial activities would be supported over the next year. Mr. Poppe replied that the business plan was being reformulated for business and industry services by reaching out to the business community to expand in those areas.

Mr. Klosiewski suggested that student fees be increased. Mr. Poppe stated that by state statute, the Wisconsin Technical College System board established tuition.

ITEM E. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Communications and Petitions

None.

ITEM F. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mae D. Killebrew,
Secretary