



**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
SEPTEMBER 23, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Tuesday, September 23, 2003, and called to order by Chairperson Maierle at 5:03 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, William Hughes, Mark Maierle, Linda Sowell, Keith Terry, and Bobbie Webber.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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

Chairperson Maierle announced a change in the order of the agenda: Item F., Chairperson's Report, would precede Item C., Approval of Minutes.

ITEM F. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Discussion Mr. Maierle introduced Mr. Archie Graham, director of student life, who presented representatives of the soccer, baseball, and volleyball teams. Mr. Graham introduced Ms. Michelle Lamarre, coordinator of student life at the Mequon Campus, who tracks and monitors the academic progress of student athletes. Mr. Graham introduced Ms. Carrie Grulke, assistant athletic director and men's volleyball coach, who thanked the board and administration for the support of the Athletic Department. She issued an invitation to attend the

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Women's Sports Symposium on September 27, 2003, at the Milwaukee Campus.

ITEM C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C-1 Regular Board Meeting: August 26, 2003

Motion It was moved by Mr. Gobel, seconded by Ms. Baker, to approve the August 26, 2003, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Discussion Mr. Ernst F. Schnook, alumnus and retired faculty member, reviewed the history, purpose, and vision of the college. He stated that MATC was a vocational/technical school and should serve adult high school students and provide child care. He indicated that a proposal by administration to cut insurance benefits to employees was disgraceful. He urged the board to settle the union contracts.

Ms. Linda Baehr, chair of the Local 212 Bargaining Team, asked the board to direct the negotiating team to abort the proposal to eliminate health insurance for employees hired after July 2004 and to settle the contract.

Dr. Michael Rosen, president of Local 212, stated that the proposal to eliminate retiree health insurance for new employees was divisive, anti-union, and anti-employee. He reminded the board that the union had made considerable healthcare concessions, had agreed to hold open many full-time faculty positions, had seen program release time cut, and had allowed student/faculty ratios to be increased. He urged the board: 1) to question why FTEs had not increased; 2) to inquire about the status of partnerships with business and industry; and 3) to ask administration to grow and expand the college. He asked that the labor agreements be settled.

Dr. Rosen announced that Governor Doyle would be honored at Local 212's solidarity party.

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Ms. Pat McFarland, affirmative action chair of Local 212, expressed concern that future instructors from diverse cultural backgrounds may not have retirement benefits if they are hired after July 2004.

ITEM E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

FPO-2: Bills – August 2003

FPO-3: Financial Report – August 2003

FPO-4: Human Resources Report

FPO-5: Procurement Report

Discussion Mr. Earle stated that Mr. Gobel had submitted a number of questions regarding items on the Consent Agenda and that Attorney Christy Brown had responded to those questions. Mr. Earle encouraged board members to contact him with questions/concerns prior to the committee meeting, and he stated that those matters would be addressed at the committee meeting.

Attorney Brown clarified “New Position” transactions on Page 5 of the Human Resources report and noted that the positions were not new positions:

- Academic Services: faculty position converted to instructional librarian
- Technical & Applied Sciences: part-time position changed to a full-time position that is special funded
- Technical & Applied Sciences and Pre-College Education: reclassified assistant dean positions to associate dean positions.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Terry, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Action Motion approved.

Discussion Ms. Baker requested an oral report on the Affirmative Action report at a future meeting. Mr. Earle noted a slight increase in the number of minority employees.

ITEM F. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

**F-1 Correspondence to Howard Davis, President,
American Student Association of Community
Colleges**

Discussion

Mr. Maierle noted the letter mailed to Mr. Davis in recognition of his position as president of the American Student Association of Community Colleges.

Mr. Maierle presented Ms. Maria Monreal-Cameron with a resolution:

“Whereas, the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin (HCCW) was incorporated in 1972; and
Whereas, the HCCW is located at the Milwaukee Enterprise Center–South, an MATC-owned and operated business incubator that helps to grow city-centered businesses; and
Whereas, the HCCW has played a vital role in the promotion, development and interests of Hispanic and other businesses; and
Whereas, the HCCW provides businesses and individuals with increased opportunity through advocacy, networking, and more; and
Whereas, the HCCW has been recognized by local and national organizations for excellence in service to its business partners and beyond; and
Whereas, the HCCW recently received the ‘Best in the Midwest’ award from the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; and
Whereas, the award recognizes the HCCW as the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Region 4 Chamber of the Year for the eighth consecutive year; therefore,
Be It Resolved, that the Milwaukee Area Technical College Board of Directors recognizes, congratulates, and highly commends the HCCW, its president/CEO Maria Monreal-Cameron, and the entire staff for its important and lasting achievements for the citizens of the region.”

Ms. Monreal-Cameron accepted the resolution and thanked the board and administration for their work with the Hispanic community.

Mr. Maierle acknowledged Dr. Hughes as a recipient of the 2003 State Superintendent's Service Learning Award.

Ms. Theresa Barry provided a brief overview of the Student Services Division. Dr. Cole stated that there were 15,000 applications for fall with a 60 percent conversion rate. Ms. Barry reported that enrollment had decreased considerably in the Computer Information Systems program and that manufacturing programs had also decreased. Dr. Cole stated that additional health occupation programs would be starting in the fall and spring semesters.

Mr. Robert Heeman reported that satellite sites had been added for health occupation programs. He noted that a new statewide nursing curriculum would be put in place. Mr. Heeman stated that the radiography and medical assistant programs had increased enrollment. He noted that it had been difficult to secure clinical sites.

Dr. Cole reported that the dental hygiene program site visit had been very positive.

Mr. Terry reported on his participation at the Association of Community College Trustees 2003 Annual Convention. He stated that Ms. Sandra Haasl, Mid-State Technical College, Wisconsin, and Mr. James K. Polk, Illinois Central College, were re-elected to three- and two-year terms respectively at the ACCT Central Region Caucus.

ITEM G. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Discussion

Ms. Monreal-Cameron reviewed the history of the relationship between the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin and the college. She distributed a rendering of the new HCCW building at 1021 West National Avenue. Ms. Monreal-Cameron pledged continued support of the Milwaukee Enterprise Center-South incubator. She presented a video on MEC-S that had been shown on 30 television stations across the country. Ms. Monreal-Cameron requested that the board extend the HCCW lease at MEC-S.

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Mr. Mark Trask, associate vice president of information technology, demonstrated the new MATC Web Calendar.

Mr. Rob Hartung, vice president of college advancement, gave an update on the task force formed by Assembly speaker Jon Gard to explore the Wisconsin Technical College System, including:

- Accountability and governance
- Possible duplication of offerings
- Credit transfer between the University of Wisconsin and the WTCS

Mr. Hartung reported that the task force had agreed not to recommend elected boards for the technical colleges.

Dr. Cole stated that he would make a presentation to the WTCS Board regarding the Legislative Audit Bureau report.

ITEM H. STUDENT SENATE REPORT

- Discussion Ms. Pamela Harris reported on activities in:
- American Student Association of Community Colleges
 - Wisconsin Student Government
 - Area Student Senate Board
 - Student Life Committee
 - Campus Activities

ITEM I. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- Discussion Mr. Gobel asked Mr. Hartung to update the board on Assembly Bill 204, Applied Technology Centers. Mr. Hartung reported that the bill had been passed by the Assembly and had gone to the Senate Education Committee where it was moved forward with a new sunset date of July 2005. He stated that the Republican Caucus had elected not to move on the bill, but that it was expected to be brought back to committee.

Ms. Baker suggested that the Assembly Task Force warranted continued scrutiny. Mr. Earle stated that he found the work of the Task Force objectionable.

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ITEM J. PUBLIC TELEVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Mr. Gobel gave highlights of the Public Television Committee meeting, which are reflected in the September 15, 2003, committee minutes.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Gobel, seconded by Mr. Earle, to extend congratulations to Mr. Duane J. Rodriguez, a 1982 graduate of the college, and an employee of Milwaukee Public Television, on the Emmy he had been awarded for "Best Sports Remote Production" as a member of NBC's technical crew at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City.

Action Motion approved.

Discussion Ms. Baker encouraged board members to participate in the Channels 10/36 Auction.

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

Discussion Ms. Bell gave highlights of the Education, Services, and Institutional Relations Committee meeting, which are reflected in the September 16, 2003, committee minutes.

ITEM L. FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Mr. Earle gave highlights of the Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee meeting, which are highlighted in the September 17, 2003, minutes. He urged board members to review Corporate Sponsorship Policies.

FPO-7 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2003-04B of Milwaukee Area Technical College District

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Webber, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2003-04B of Milwaukee Area Technical College District.

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Discussion Mr. Poppe stated that the borrowing plan for the current year was based on an overall interest rate of 4.5 percent. He reported that the state board would begin to review the parameters of the approval process for remodeling projects. Mr. Poppe noted that the funding would be used for projects that do not require state board approval.

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

Ayes – Baker, Bell, Earle, Gobel, Hughes, Sowell, Terry, Webber, and Maierle – 9.

Noes – None.

FPO-8 Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin Lease Extension

Discussion Mr. Earle asked that the board recognize the importance of the college's relationship with the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin and the Hispanic community.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Webber, to approve the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin Lease Extension.

Action Motion approved.

Discussion Ms. Baker requested that the board discuss the mission and role of the Milwaukee Enterprise Centers at an Educational, Services, and Institutional Relations Committee meeting. Mr. Terry asked that the board discuss the value that the MECs contribute to the neighborhoods.

L-1 Policy B0301, Contracts for Services

Motion It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Ms. Sowell, to approve Policy B0301, Contracts for Services.

Discussion Dr. Richard L. Kettner reviewed modifications in Policy B0301 and stated that Appendix A would be eliminated.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM M. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Communications and Petitions

None.

2. Information Items

None.

ITEM N. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Date of Next Meeting: October 28, 2003, 5:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, Milwaukee Campus, Board Room (M210).

Ms. Sowell departed the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Chairperson Maierle stated that the board intended to convene into Closed Session.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Ms. Bell, to convene into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Negotiations Update.

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

Ayes: Baker, Bell, Earle, Gobel, Hughes, Terry, Webber, and Maierle – 8.

Noes: None.

Closed Session

Ms. Sowell returned to the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

The board convened into Closed Session at 7:15 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbie R. Webber
Secretary