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**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
NOVEMBER 23, 2004**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Tuesday, November 23, 2004, and called to order by Chairperson Maierle at 5:04 p.m. in the Board Room, Room M210, at the Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM A. ROLL CALL

Present: Jeannette Bell, Peter Earle, Carl (Chuck) Gobel, William Hughes, Mark Maierle, Linda Sowell, Bobbie Webber and Lenard Wells. Lauren Baker arrived at 5:09 p.m.

ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Discussion Chairperson Maierle 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: October 26, 2004
C-2 Special Meeting (Board Retreat): November 6, 2004
C-3 Special Meeting: November 5, 2004**

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Ms. Bell, to approve the October 26, 2004, Regular Board Meeting Minutes; the November 6, 2004, Special Meeting (Board Retreat) Minutes; and the November 5, 2004, Special Meeting Minutes.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Baker arrived at 5:09 p.m.

Discussion Chairperson Maierle introduced Mr. Archie Graham, director, Student Life, who in turn introduced Mr. Matthew Eggert, men's soccer team coach, who thanked the board and Dr. Darnell Cole for their support of the team. Coach Eggert announced that the team had won the 2004 Wisconsin Technical College System Conference Championship and the Wisconsin Junior College Region 13 Championship. The team presented Dr. Cole with a soccer ball signed by the players.

Mr. Graham announced that the *MATC Times* won the National Newspaper Pacemaker Award and that Mr. Curt Bromberg won an Honorable Mention Cartooning Award for Comical Panel Strip sponsored by United Press Syndicate.

Representatives from the following student groups introduced their organizations and teams: MATC Rainbow, Oak Creek Campus Student Senate, Wisconsin Student Government, Black Student Union, Mequon Campus Student Senate, MATC Baseball Team, and MATC Soccer Team.

Chairperson Maierle stated that each speaker would be limited to two minutes speaking time.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio:

Dr. Narciso Aleman, Coordinator of Adult Basic Literacy at South Division High School;
Ms. Jennifer Morales, Milwaukee Public School Board;
Mr. Peter Blewett, president, Milwaukee Public School Board;
Mr. Lupe Martinez, president, United Migrant Opportunity Services;
Ms. Luisa Morales, student, Racine Horlich High School;
Mr. Jesus Ferreira, MATC Latino Student Organization;
Ms. Christine Neumann-Ortiz, coordinator, MATC High School Equivalency Program;
Mr. Albert Rozas, faculty, MATC;
Mr. Gene (Moose) Biegler, student, MATC;
Mr. Edelmiro Dominguez, counselor, MATC;
Ms. Peggy West, Milwaukee County Supervisor;

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Ms. Becky Quesada, employee, MATC;
Mr. Jesus Salas, faculty, MATC;
Mr. Miguel Salas, attorney and taxpayer;
Mr. Robert Miranda, community activist;
Ms. Ramona Prentos; and
Ms. Sylvia.

Mr. Earle distributed a letter from Mr. Pedro Colon, Wisconsin State Representative in support of the resolution.

Chairperson Maierle noted that, with the approval of the board, the order of the agenda items would be changed, by moving Item FPO-9 as the next agenda item.

ITEM M. FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

FPO-9 Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Mr. Earle, to approve the Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio.

Discussion Mr. Webber urged the board to support the resolution as a matter of principle.

Mr. Gobel stated that he would vote against the resolution since, in his opinion, it was a First Amendment free speech issue.

Mr. Earle opined that the resolution conformed to the First Amendment and that diversity was necessary to teach effectively.

Mr. Wells expressed his responsibility to support MATC alumni when he believed their opinions were correct.

Ms. Amanda Gray requested that the board support the resolution.

Mr. Maierle criticized Mr. Belling's demeaning approach towards the community.

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Ms. Sowell expressed concern as to how the college would continue to recruit and retain students within diverse communities through means that may not be available by passage of the resolution.

Closed Session

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Ms. Bell, to convene into Closed Session pursuant to Sections 19.85 (1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Item M., Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee Report, FPO-9 Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio, to confer with general counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the MATC District Board with respect to litigation in which it is likely to become involved. The board will reconvene into Open Session to take action on matters discussed in Closed Session under Item M., Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee Report, FPO-9 Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio, and/or the remainder of agenda items.

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

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

Noes: None.

The board convened into Closed Session at 6:32 p.m.

Open Session

The board reconvened into Open Session at 6:39 p.m.

Roll Call

The following members responded to roll call:

Lauren Baker, Jeannette Bell, Peter Earle, Carl (Chuck) Gobel, William Hughes, Mark Maierle, Linda Sowell, Bobbie Webber, and Lenard Wells.

Action Motion to approve the Resolution to Repudiate Offensive Remarks Made on WISN-Radio approved.

ITEM E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

FPO-2 Bills – October 2004

FPO-3 Financial Report – October 2004

FPO-4 Human Resources Report

FPO-5 Procurement Report

FPO-6 Affirmative Action Quarterly Report

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended by a Human Resources Report Addendum, Full-Time Regular Financial Aid Position.

Discussion Ms. Baker requested that the Affirmative Action Reports be formally brought to the board.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM F. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Discussion Chairperson Maierle acknowledged the *Shepherd Express*' choice of Ms. Bell as "the best suburban elected official." He announced that Dr. Cole would receive the Community Brainstorming Conference's 2004 James Baker Award for Community Leadership.

Chairperson Maierle read the following statement:

"It is with deep regret that I inform the board of the recent death of an MATC student who was serving in Iraq.

"Marine Lance Corporal Daniel Wyatt was killed on October 12, 2004. He was on patrol in Babil Province, Iraq, when a roadside bomb was detonated.

"Corporal Wyatt was 22 years old and a police science student at the Oak Creek Campus. He was a graduate of Racine Horlick High School.

"Last Friday, on November 19, 2004, MATC's newest graduating class of police recruits observed a moment of silence for Corporal

Wyatt. A plaque in Daniel's name will also be dedicated to the men and women of the police science program who serve in the military. The plaque will be presented to the Wyatt Family.

"MATC and the board send our deepest condolences to Corporal Wyatt's family, friends, and classmates."

1. *ad hoc* Board Development Committee Report

Discussion Ms. Sowell gave highlights of the *ad hoc* Board Development Committee meeting of November 17, 2004.

ITEM G. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Discussion Dr. Cole distributed a copy of a brochure from We Energies which highlighted the college's partnership with the company and a renewable energy project at the Mequon Campus.

ITEM H. STUDENT SENATE REPORT

Discussion Ms. Gray invited the board and Dr. Cole to the Breakfast with Santa on December 4, 2004. She thanked Dr. Cole for the student union in the Student Center. Ms. Gray reported on campus activities.

Ms. Gray introduced Mr. William Campbell, president, Black Student Union, who reported that he and six students had attended the National Black Student Union Conference. He requested that the college sponsor 12 to 15 students for the 2005 conference. He thanked the board and Dr. Cole for their support of the Black Student Union.

ITEM I. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

No report.

ITEM J. AD HOC LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Gobel gave highlights of the *ad hoc* Legislative Committee meeting, which are reflected in the November 15, 2004, minutes.

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ITEM K. PUBLIC TELEVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion Mr. Gobel gave highlights of the Public Television Committee meeting, which are reflected in the November 15, 2004, committee minutes.

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 November 17, 2004, committee minutes.

Chairperson Maierle congratulated Mr. James Walsh on his appointment as interim provost and Dr. Vicki Martin on her appointment as interim vice president of the Oak Creek Campus.

ESIR-2 Resolution to Approve Building and Home Inspection Diploma Program

Motion It was moved by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Earle, to approve the Resolution to Approve Building and Home Inspection Diploma Program.

Action Motion approved.

Policy Reviews

**ESIR-3 Policy A0111 District Board Committee Structure
ESIR-4 Policy A0111-A Areas of Responsibility of District Board Committees**

Discussion Ms. Baker and Attorney Christy Brown reviewed the changes suggested in Policy A0111 District Board Committee Structure and Policy A0111-A Areas of Responsibility of District Board Committees.

ITEM M. FINANCE, PERSONNEL, AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

FPO-7 Resolution Authorizing Revolving Business Note/Short-Term Line of Credit of Milwaukee Area Technical College district, Wisconsin, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$8,000,000

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to approve the Resolution Authorizing Revolving Business Note/Short-Term Line of Credit of Milwaukee Area Technical College district, Wisconsin, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$8,000,000.

Action Motion approved.

FPO-8 Resolution to Approve Acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Mr. Earle, to approve the Resolution to Approve Acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Discussion Ms. Renee Messing, partner, Virchow Krause & Company, LLP, distributed and reviewed the Financial Highlights June 30, 2004 and 2003, document and the September 20, 2004, audit letter. She noted that the Single Audit Report would be brought to a future board meeting. Ms. Messing stated that a 10 percent fund balance should be a minimum level, and recommended that 15 to 25 percent of the annual operating budget should constitute the fund balance.

Action Motion approved.

Discussion Items

1. Cooley Auditorium

Discussion Attorney Janice Falkenberg and Ms. Synovia Youngblood, co-chairs, Revenue Generating Committee, reported on revenue streams for the college, specifically Cooley Auditorium. They reported that increased rental fees would be charged for each event and that an Office of College Events would be established to sponsor cultural events in Cooley Auditorium as well as lecture, concert, comedy and community services series for students and the community.

2. Financial Aid Deferments

Discussion Ms. Theresa Barry, vice president, student services, and Mr. Al Pinckney, director, financial aid, distributed and discussed information regarding the Financial Aid Deferment Procedure.

3. FY 2005-06 Budget Development

Discussion Mr. Craig Piotrowski, interim chief financial officer, reviewed procedures to monitor budgets.

Chairperson Maierle requested budget information as soon as possible prior to the June budget process and asked that areas of concern be identified in response to the Legislative Audit Bureau.

FPO-10 Student Activity Fund Review

Discussion Ms. Adriana Wilson, partner, Gladys R. Wilson & Associates, and Mr. Steven Pawlow, provided an overview of the findings of the student activity fund review.

Ms. Barry listed the following practices that will be implemented: all expenditures will be subject to collegewide policies and practices; create an allowable and disallowable expenditure list; inventory purchase records; specific team requirements for travel; and budgets will be reviewed monthly. Ms. Barry distributed a draft list of purchases that are allowable, non-allowable, and allowable with special approval.

Dr. Cole stated that Ms. Kristen Phelps, manager, procurement, will review the purchase-card usage and will provide recommendations on its use.

ITEM N. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Communications and Petitions

None.

2. Information Items

Discussion Ms. Sowell gave highlights and distributed a report of the MATC Foundation meeting of November 23, 2004. She appealed to board members to make a combined

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contribution of \$1,000 from the board to the foundation for student scholarships.

ITEM O. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Date of Next Meeting: December 21, 2004, 3:30 p.m.;
Regular Board Meeting, Milwaukee Campus, Board Room
(M210).

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbie R. Webber
Secretary