



**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD  
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN  
AUGUST 31, 2005**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in open session on Wednesday, August 31, 2005, and called to order by Chairperson Bell at 5:01 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, Pedro A. Colón, Peter G. Earle, Linda S. Sowell, Bobbie R. Webber and Lenard Wells.

William H. Hughes arrived at 5:03 p.m.

**Excused:** Mark S. Maierle.

**ITEM B. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW**

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

**ITEM C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Discussion The following individuals spoke in opposition to the hiring process that was used in the dean of Health Occupations appointment:

Ms. JoAnn Haglund, president, Local 587  
Mr. Charlie Dee, executive vice president, Local 212  
Mr. Greg Simons, faculty, Local 212

The following individuals spoke in support of the candidate for the dean of Health Occupations Dean position:

Ms. Melanie Gray, manager, School-Based Program at Aurora Health Care  
Ms. Patricia McManus, Executive Director, Black Health Coalition

The following individual spoke in support of the hiring process for the dean of Health Occupations position:

Mr. Marvin Echols, Associate Dean, Professional Development, and  
Administrative Co-Chair, Hiring Committee

The following individuals spoke in regard to ensuring that the collective bargaining process be conducted in a positive manner:

Ms. JoAnn Haglund, president, Local 587  
Ms. Linda Baehr, chairperson, Local 212 Bargaining Committee

**ITEM D. DEAN OF HEALTH OCCUPATIONS APPOINTMENT**

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the appointment of Ms. Dessie Levy as dean of Health Occupations, effective October 1, 2005.

Discussion Mr. Earle spoke in opposition to the appointment of the dean of Health Occupations, expressing concern that the process of shared governance had not been followed.

Mr. Wells raised a point of order, noting that a discussion on shared governance had not been noticed.

Mr. Webber noted that the Finance, Personnel, and Operations Committee, at their meeting on August 31, 2005, had discussed the hiring process utilized for this appointment.

In response to a question raised by Mr. Earle, Attorney Christy Brown stated that she did not know if, historically, any candidate had been recommended with less than a two-thirds majority vote as a finalist by a search committee.

Ms. Baker expressed concern about the hiring process.

Mr. Colón expressed concern with the process, and opined that these matters should be Human Resource issues.

The question was called.

Action Motion approved, the roll call vote being as follows:  
Ayes: Hughes, Sowell, Webber, Wells, and Bell – 5.  
Noes: Baker, Colón, and Earle – 3.

**ITEM E. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND DISCUSSION OF RELATED FISCAL INFORMATION**

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to convene into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Item E., Collective Bargaining and Discussion of Related Fiscal Information, to discuss and formulate strategy in anticipation of upcoming negotiations with MATC's collective bargaining units when 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 E.

Action Motion to convene into Closed Session approved, the roll call vote being as follows:  
Ayes: Colón, Earle, Hughes, Sowell, Webber, Wells, Baker, and Bell – 8.  
Noes: None.

Ms. Baker departed the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

**Closed Session**

The board convened into Closed Session at 5:53 p.m.

Messrs. Colón and Earle had departed the meeting during Closed Session.

**Open Session**

The board reconvened into Open Session at 7:38 p.m.

Motion It was moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Dr. Hughes, to approve the recommendation of the individuals submitted to serve on the administrative negotiation teams and the negotiations timeline.

Action Motion approved, the roll call vote being as follows:  
Ayes: Bell, Hughes, Sowell, Webber, and Wells – 5.  
Noes: None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Sowell  
Secretary