



Attachment 3 - a

**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
August 24, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in Open Session via teleconference on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, and called to order by Chairperson Olson at 4:02 p.m.

ITEM 1 a. ROLL CALL

Present: Lauren Baker, Erica Case, Antonio Diaz, Mark Foley, Citlali Mendieta-Ramos, Nikki Moews, Lisa Olson and Ann Wilson. Ann Wilson joined the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Absent: Ashanti Hamilton.

ITEM 1 b. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Discussion Chairperson Olson asked if proper notice of the meeting had been given in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

Ms. Gwendolyn Green, board liaison, confirmed proper notice was given in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

ITEM 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Lisa Conley, full time faculty and AFT L212 President, welcomed everyone to a safe and productive academic year; congratulated Dr. Lisa Olson on being the new board chair; welcomed Ms. Lauren Baker back to the board and welcomed new board member, Mr. Antonio Diaz to the board. Dr. Conley also stated how proud she was of those who are represented by AFTL212 for the work they do.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3 a. Regular Board Meeting: June 22, 2021

3 b. Board Organizational Meeting: July 12, 2021

Motion It was moved by Ms. Moews, seconded by Mr. Foley, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting: June 22, 2021, and the Board Organizational Meeting: July 12, 2021.

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Action Motion approved.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 4 a. Bills – June 2021**
- 4 b. Bills – July 2021**
- 4 c. Financial Report – June 2021**
- 4 d. Financial Report – July 2021**
- 4 e. Human Resources Report**
- 4 f. Procurement Report**
- 4 g. Quarterly Affirmative Action Report**

Discussion There was discussion among board members on removing the HR and Affirmative Action Reports from the Consent Agenda and reviewing these separately.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Mendieta-Ramos, seconded by Mr. Foley, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 5. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Action Items

- 5 a. Resolution (F0194-08-21) Authorizing the Sale of \$22,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021-2022C of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin**

Motion It was moved by Mr. Foley, seconded by Ms. Case, to approve Resolution (F0194-08-21) Authorizing the Sale of \$22,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021-2022C of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Discussion Mr. John Mehan, managing director, Robert W. Baird & Co., reviewed the Final Pricing Summary for the \$22,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021-2022C.

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

Ayes: Case, Diaz, Foley, Mendieta-Ramos, Moews, Baker and Olson - 7

Noes: None.

Ms. Wilson lost connection at 4:25 p.m. and reconnected at 4:30 p.m.

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5 b. Resolution (F0195-08-21) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021-2022D of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

Motion It was moved by Mr. Foley, seconded by Ms. Mendieta-Ramos, to approve Resolution (F0195-08-21) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021-2022D of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin

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

Ayes: Diaz, Foley, Mendieta-Ramos, Moews, Baker, Case and Olson - 7

Noes: None.

Abstention: Wilson - 1

5 c. President's Goals for FY2021-2022

Discussion Dr. Martin and Dr. Yan Wang reviewed the President's Goals for FY2021-2022 with the board.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Mendieta-Ramos, seconded by Ms. Case, to approve President's Goals for FY2021-2022.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 6. Policy Approval

6 a. Policy D1000 – Attendance (Except High School Contract and Apprentice Students)

Discussion Dr. Sarah Adams, Interim Vice President, Enrollment Management, addressed changes made to the policy based on board input from the previous month.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Baker, seconded by Ms. Case, to approve Policy D1000 – Attendance (Except High School Contract and Apprentice Students).

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 7. Reports

7 a. Chairperson's Report

Discussion Chairperson Olson:

- Welcomed all the students back for the fall semester on behalf of the MATC District Board.
- Announced the following Board Committee Assignments for the 2021-2022 year:
 - Director Case will serve as the board liaison to the MATC Foundation.
 - Director Baker will serve as the board representative to the MATC Legislative Task Force.
 - Director Moews will serve as the board treasurer, will chair the Audit Advisory Committee and serve on the FCC/OPEB Trust Committees.
 - Director Wilson will serve as the board liaison to the President's Taskforce on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.
- Stated the board members who will serve on the Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association Committees are:
 - Director Foley will serve as the MATC representative to the association's board of directors.
 - Director Mendieta-Ramos will serve on the Awards Committee
 - Director Case will serve on the External Partnerships Committee.
 - Director Olson will serve on the Internal Best Practices Committee.
- Reported Director Foley attended the Wisconsin District Boards Association summer meeting on July 16 – 17 and asked Director Foley to share his experiences regarding the meeting. Director Foley shared some of what was discussed at the Friday portion of the meeting such as an examination of the evaluation process of the district boards' association executive director.
- Announced a special board meeting will be held to review the Ten-year Facilities Master Plan and asked the board to hold Friday, September 24 at 11:00 to 12:45 on their calendars for the presentation. Chair Olson requested the board be sent the information and possibly a video in advance of the meeting.

7 b. President's Report

Discussion Dr. Martin:

- Reported the college launched a debt relief program as part of HEERF Funding and will immediately help 7,000 students who

incurred tuition and fees from spring 2020 to spring 2021. Federal Cares Act funds were used to forgive \$5.75 million of debt owed by students.

- Stated the college continues to focus on its diversity, equity and inclusion efforts. As part of the college's Moon Shot, the college is partnering with the USC Center for Race and Equity. Monthly workshops are attended by approximately 100 employees. The topics included are Addressing Employee Encounters with Workplace Racism and Recovering from Racial Inequities Produced and Exacerbated by COVID 10.
- MATC is one of 10 colleges across the nation selected by Johnson Controls to receive an investment to expand associate degree and certification programs related to heating, ventilation and air conditioning, fire and security and digital building automation systems.
- Reported August 17 was a milestone day for the college, marking the official opening of the college's first student apartments called Westown Green, in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's former complex.
- Stated August marks the start of the 2021-2022 academic year. MATC held an Employee Appreciation Day as a kick-off to the fall semester. Dr. Martin also thanked vice president Elle Bonds and her HR team, Karli Tatum in College Events and all the volunteers who helped make the day a success.

7 c. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report

Discussion

Ms. Eva Martinez-Powless, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Officer, gave an update on the progress of the DEI college-wide initiatives. Ms. Martinez-Powless shared information on who were the members of the President's DEI Task Force; reported on the various DEI initiatives that aligns with MATC's Equity Strategic Priority and gave a breakdown on percentage of those full-time non-faculty, full-time faculty and leadership who identify as diverse by race and gender at MATC.

7 d. Enrollment Report

Discussion

Dr. Sarah Adams, interim vice president, Enrollment Management, welcomed the students back to another school year. Dr. Adams and Mr. Tony Tagliavia, director, Marketing and Communications, presented the Enrollment Report via slides. Dr. Adams compared enrollment numbers for fall 2019, 2020 and 2021 as of August 20. Mr. Tagliavia shared an update on Marketing Strategies to increase enrollment.

7 e. Milwaukee PBS VP General Manager's Report

Discussion Mr. Bohdan Zachary was not present; the following are highlights of his written report:

- Milwaukee PBS is in the final weeks before the October 2, 2021 live broadcast of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra's inaugural weekend performances.
- Milwaukee PBS raised a total of \$140,000 from 751 donors. This puts the station at 88 percent toward the goal of \$160,000.
- Overall fundraising for Fiscal Year 2022 has a strong start with July finishing 15 percent ahead of projections.
- Yvonne Sanchez joins Milwaukee PBS as the station's first bilingual video editor. Yvonne will edit the Adelante series. Adam Lilley, who graduated from MATC's Television and Video Production program in 2015 and has been employed at TMJ4, joins Milwaukee PBS as director and producer.

7 f. Legislative Matters Report

Discussion Ms. Janice Falkenberg, vice president and General Counsel, introduced Ms. Ramie Zelenkova, lobbyist, Hubbard Wilson & Zelenkova, who presented the Legislative Matters Report on recent legislative matters impacting higher education, such as:

- Wisconsin Assembly Bill 60/Senate Bill 55 relating to publication of proceedings of meetings held by certain governmental bodies. Passed the Senate, Assembly action pending.
- Wisconsin Assembly Bill 266/Senate Bill 291 to eliminate certain restrictions on the respective educational roles of the UW System and Technical College System. The provisions were also included in the Governor's 2021-23 Biennial Budget request. Assembly committee recommended passage, Senate action pending.
- Wisconsin Assembly Bill 195/Senate Bill 323 to designate University of Wisconsin and technical college sports and athletic teams based on sex of the participants. Passed Assembly 59-38; Senate action pending. The Governor indicated he would likely veto the legislation if it reaches his desk.
- Wisconsin Assembly Bill 347/Senate Bill 375 to prohibit UW System institutions and WTCS colleges from requiring testing for, or vaccination against, COVID-19. Assembly committee recommended passage, Senate action pending.

Ms. Wilson left the meeting at 5:54 p.m. and returned at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM 8. BOARD MONITORING

8 a. Pathway Presentation/Business Management

Information Dr. Mohammad Dakwar, vice president, Learning; Rebecca Alsup, dean, Manufacturing, Construction & Transportation; David Polk, director, Apprenticeship and Debra Richards, lead faculty member, gave the Pathway Presentation/Manufacturing, Construction & Transportation via PowerPoint. The report highlighted the academic and career pathway goals, pathway initiatives, what programs and apprenticeships are in the pathway, and gave a breakdown by race and ethnicity of the students in the pathway. Ms. Alsup shared the student success stories of two MATC students as part of the report.

8 b. Annual Sustainability Report

Information Ms. Ginny Routhe, director, Facilities, presented the Annual Sustainability Report as information.

Ms. Routhe reminded the board of the considerable savings the department was able to achieve in energy use last year. Some of the highlights shared from this year's report were the district-wide total energy use, energy efficiency savings tracking, recent projects and the progress of the Mequon Geothermal heat exchange.

8 c. Quarterly Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) & FCC Trust Report

Information Mr. Jeffrey Hollow, vice president, Finance, presented the Quarterly Other Post-employment Benefit (OPEB) & FCC Trust Report, and discussed the breakdown of asset allocations and performance summaries via charts and pie graphs.

8 d. 2020-2021 Fiscal Year-end Operating Results Review (Pre-Audit) General Fund and Milwaukee PBS

Information Mr. Hollow presented the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year-end Operating Results Review (Pre-Audit) General Fund and Milwaukee PBS Report as information. Mr. Hollow gave a detailed report of both the General Fund and Milwaukee PBS budgets and expenditures.

ITEM 9. NEW BUSINESS

Motion It was moved by Ms. Baker, seconded by Ms. Wilson that the board direct administration to explore recommendation on mandatory vaccination for employees and students including the legality of such a mandate, the means for testing unvaccinated employees and

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students and the cost of any incentives for vaccination. Put this on the agenda for September.

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

Ayes: Foley, Mendieta-Ramos, Moews, Wilson, Baker, Case, Diaz and Olson – 8

Noes: None.

ITEM 10. Future Agenda Items/Events

10 a. September 28, 2021 MATC District Board Meeting 4:00 p.m.

ITEM 11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwendolyn Z. Green

On behalf of Board Secretary Citlali Mendieta-Ramos

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