

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting
March 15, 2022

Mr. Ken Peterson, District Board Interim Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 1:01pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street North, La Crosse, WI. Board members present via zoom were: Lance Bagstad, Andrew Bosshard, Kevin Hennessey, Ed Lukasek, Angie Lawrence, Majel Hein, Dennis Treu, Ken Peterson and Roger Stanford, President.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Saturday, March 12, 2022 at 9:32am with the agenda being distributed to interested persons, sent to the District's official newspaper (The La Crosse Tribune), and distributed to other news media throughout the District in compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.81 through 19.98.

Others present: Wade Hackbarth, Janice Strupp, Rande Daykin, Kat Linaker, John Heath, Julie Lemon, Mike Swenson, Christina Heit, Kris Follansbee, Ryan Monroe, Kari Reyburn, Rebecca Hopkins, Shelley McNeely, Scott Finn, Ge Vang, Kevin Dean (Western employees); students Becky Meyer, Abdul Cole, David Gonzalez, Halayna Macharia, Jeanne Buckta; and Kris Gengler (Ashley Furniture)

Motion Bagstad, second Lawrence that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolutions of commendation for Scott Finn and Paul Weibel on retirement from the college. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. **Copies of resolutions are attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachments A and B.**

Presentations provided: Ashley Furniture; Student Government update; wellness program update; health and other benefits; Achieve the Dream; Equity Inclusion and Support 2025; COVID and Policy Subcommittee updates

Motion Bosshard, second Hein that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. Minutes - February 28, 2022 Policy Subcommittee Meeting; B. Financial Reports – January | February – 1. Schedule of Payments; 2. Vendors Over \$2,500; 3. General Revenue/Expense Report; 4. Department Budget Summary; 5. Auxiliary Services Report; 6. Capital Projects Reports; 7. Bids/RFPs Awarded – February; C. Policy Revisions | First Reading – 1. A0109p Development Opportunities In-Service/Orientation for New Board Members; 2. A0110 Board Member Development Opportunities; 3. A0110p(A) Board member Development Opportunities Continuing/Annual In-Service Development Opportunities; 4. A0110p(B) Procedures Specific to Budgeting for Travel for Board Member Development Opportunities; 5. B0402 Payment for Services and Materials; 6. B0403 Personal Use and Misuse of College Property; 7. B0403p Western Cell Phone Procedures (Board Reference Only); 8. B0405 Inventories; 9. C0102/E0105 Harassment and Nondiscrimination; 10. E0200 Admission; D. Policy – NEW | First Reading – 1. B0111 Management of State and Federal Funds; E. Policy Revisions | Second Reading – 1. A0101 Western Technical College Board Name and Legal Status; 2. A0114 District Board Meetings | A0114p Procedure for District Board Meetings; 3. A0206 Emergency Closing; E. Policy Discontinuance | Second Reading – 1. A0107 Board Members' Obligation and Attendance; 2. A0115 Board Meeting Preparation; F. Project Submission and Acceptance 2022-23 – 1. WTCS Office – Integrated Education and Training FY2023; and 2. Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation FY2023-2025. Votes: Ayes, 8, Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Lawrence, second Hennessey that the Western Technical College District Board appoint the Private Sector Review committee for 2022-23. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Lawrence, second Lukasek, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the La Crosse Truck and Heavy-Diesel Expansion as outlined and submit the same to the WTCS Board for approval at its March 2022 meeting. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Bagstad, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Establishing Parameters for the Sale of \$2,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022C, of Western Technical College District, Wisconsin. Roll call: Bagstad, yes; Bosshard, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lukasek, yes; Hennessey, yes; Hein, yes; Treu, yes; Peterson, yes. Motion carried.

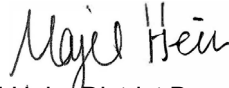
Motion Bagstad, second Lawrence, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Funds, the Establishment of an Escrow Account with respect to and the Defeasance of Certain of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017F, dated December 28, 2017. Roll call: Bagstad, yes; Bosshard, yes; Hennessey, yes; Hein, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Peterson, yes. Motion carried.

Under the President's Report, appreciation shared for Kris Gengler from Ashley joining the meeting to provide highlights to the April meeting in Arcadia; Western has qualified to the top 40 Aspen nominations; correspondence shared from the Department of Homeland Security regarding the Afghan refugees; automotive and MLT program accreditations were excellent; Western's respiratory students challenge; and another Suits for Success event will be held on campus this week. Reminder that the Western Explores event is scheduled for May 10 (prior to monthly meeting) was provided. Planning to schedule a dinner following June 21 meeting for members. An EOC training was recently held and an HLC multi-site visit is currently happening on campus.

During the District Board Chairperson report, Mr. Peterson reminded members of the April 29-30 DBA meeting in Milwaukee; April 19 meeting begins at noon in Arcadia; Andrew Bosshard now chairs the BAFC committee; and results of the Board Appointment committee were shared.

3:35pm: Motion Lukasek, second Bagstad that the Western Technical College convene into closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(c)(e), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of discussing the President's Evaluation. No action. Roll call: Bagstad, yes; Bosshard, yes; Hein, yes; Lukasek, yes; Hennessey, yes; Lawrence, yes; Treu, yes; Peterson, yes. Motion carried.

4:03pm: Motion Lawrence, second Lukasek that the Western Technical College District Board adjourn. Motion carried. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.



Majel Hein, District Board Secretary



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Resolution of Commendation to **Scott Finn**

Whereas, Scott Finn, CRM & GP System Administrator in the Information Services Division, retired from Western Technical College on February 28, 2022 after completing 24+ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Scott was an extremely dedicated and motivated employee, often working early and late to meet the needs of students; and

Whereas, he was highly respected throughout the college, with his intellect, passion, and dedication to his job noticed by so many; and

Whereas, Scott has led several accomplishments at Western, including the college's integration into Blackboard, the creation of the CRM system, and helped write Western's application for Achieve the Dream; and

Whereas, his insight, dedication to Western, and his caring attitude towards everyone will be missed; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of the Western Technical College District hereby expresses its appreciation and gives a special commendation to Scott Finn for his years of service and his commitment to excellence; and be it

Resolved, that the Western Technical College District Board, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students all wish Scott many happy and satisfying years in his retirement.

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Resolution of Commendation to **Paul Weibel**

Whereas, Paul Weibel, Fire & Law Enforcement Technician in the Health and Public Safety Division, retired from Western Technical College on February 15, 2022 after completing 14+ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Paul's work ethic and ability to complete projects was second to none, as noted by his co-workers claiming they would take ten of him on any given day; and

Whereas, he brought first-hand knowledge of a previous career in law enforcement, always bringing a calming effect to situations and a methodical approach to getting work done that was always student-focused; and

Whereas, Paul is a true friend to his co-workers and students, always being sought out for advice and was well appreciated by all who worked with him; and

Whereas, his smiling face, knowledge, and work ethic will be missed; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of the Western Technical College District hereby expresses its appreciation and gives a special commendation to Paul Weibel for his years of service and his commitment to excellence; and be it

Resolved, that the Western Technical College District Board, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students all wish Paul many happy and satisfying years in his retirement.

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