

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes to Regular Meeting
January 21, 2020

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 2:23pm on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at the Western Technical College Coleman Center, 304 North Sixth Street, La Crosse, WI (room 128). Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Kara Burgos, Carrie Buss, Dave Laehn, Angie Lawrence, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Ken Peterson, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President. District Board member Ed Lukasek was excused.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 11:24am 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, Amy Thornton, Kat Linaker, Mike Swenson, Tracy Dryden, Rande Daykin, John Heath, Sally Emerson, Brianne Shane, Lacey Proksch, Casey Meehan

Public Comment: None

Motion Laehn, second Treu, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolutions of commendation recognizing Sally Emerson and Jan Murray Schmidt on their retirements from Western. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. *Copies of the resolutions are attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachments A and B.*

District Board was provided the following reports/updates: economic impact study, sustainability and resiliency, CCSSE/Noel Levitz and Experience 2025 annual First Choice Service update.

Motion Burgos, second Treu, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. November 26, 2019 District Board Advance Minutes; B. December 17, 2019 District Board Meeting Minutes; C. Financial Reports – December 2019 – Schedule of Payments; Vendors Over \$2500; General Revenue/Expense Report; Department Budget Summary; Auxiliary Services Reports; Capital Projects Reports; D. College Policies | Second Reading – Revisions 1. B0410 Social Media; 2. B0600P(a) District Board Travel; 3. E0700 Student Code of Conduct; and E. Project Submission and Acceptance FY21-FY26-Department of Education – Office of Postsecondary Education – TRIO SSS. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

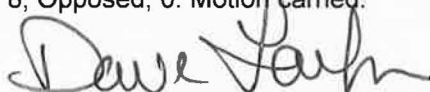
Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and current priorities and thanked members that were able to attend College Day. More than 519 students were served during the most recent holiday shut down. Wade Hackbarth provided bond results as well as interest saved by the College.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, the following were addressed: upcoming ACCT Legislative summit; District Board appointment; recently held Boards Association meeting in La Crosse. Members were encouraged to attend the May 14 GED/HSED graduation ceremony.

4:40pm: Motion Treu, second Buss, that the Western Technical College District Board convene into closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(c)(e), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of discussing potential contract non-renewals and reductions under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Sec. 19.85 (1)(c). No action. The Board will convene into open dialog session immediately following closed session. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Laehn, yes; Lawrence, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Peterson, yes; Treu, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

4:47pm: Motion Lawrence, second Buss that the Western Technical College District Board reconvene into open session. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Peterson, yes; Laehn, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

4:48pm: Motion Buss, second Treu, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.



Dave Laehn, District Board Secretary

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Resolution of Commendation

Sally Emerson

Whereas, Sally Emerson, Alumni and Foundation Manager, will retire from Western Technical College on February 8, 2020, after completing 13+ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Sally takes great pride in her work and conducts herself with uncompromised professionalism; and

Whereas, she has the ability to take a small budget and produce high quality results; and

Whereas, Sally's patience and kindness have led to many donors coming back to the fold or increasing their contributions; and

Whereas, her efforts have taken the Western Alumni Association to an entirely new level that is envied by other technical colleges; and

Whereas, Sally is a trusted advisor, who provides helpful feedback and support to her colleagues; and

Whereas, her experience in alumni relations, creativity in fundraising, genuine caring nature, and vast knowledge of cooking and sewing 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 Sally Emerson for her years of service and her commitment to excellence; and be it

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

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Resolution of Commendation

Jan Murray Schmidt

Whereas, Jan Murray Schmidt, Nursing Instructor in the Health and Public Safety Division, retired from Western Technical College on December 16, 2019, after completing 11+ years of service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Jan was dedicated to her program and its students; and

Whereas, she was selfless in her interactions with colleagues; and

Whereas, Jan made decisions with integrity and always did the right thing for student success; and

Whereas, her ability to connect with students 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 Jan Murray Schmidt for her years of service and her commitment to excellence; and be it

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