

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 15, 2020

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 1:02pm on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street North, La Crosse, WI (room 408). Meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom technology. Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss, Majel Hein, Kevin Hennessey, Ed Lukasek, Dave Laehn, Angie Lawrence, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Thursday, September 10, at 4:25pm 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, Kat Linaker, Mike Swenson, Rande Daykin, Amy Thornton, Jess Strelow, Tracy Dryden, Liz Wallace, Jackie Kettner-Sieber, Deb Hether, John Heath, Mike Poellinger, Kevin Dean (Western employees) and Brent Smith, attorney

Motion Buss, second Lawrence that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolution of commendation recognizing Barbara Fitzsimmons on her retirement from Western. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. *A copy of the resolution is attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachments A.*

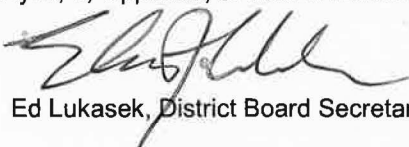
The following presentations were provided: BOCES, enrollment and COVID 19, tax levy and bond update, workforce & community engagement as well as a college day update/celebration. Policy and Budget & Facilities subcommittee reports were provided.

Motion Hennessey, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. August 18, 2020 District Board Budget Meeting Minutes ; B) September 4, 2020 Policy Subcommittee Meeting Minutes; C. Financial Reports – August 2020-1) Schedule of Payments; 2) Vendors Over \$2500; 3) Capital Projects Reports; 4) Bids/RFPs Awarded; D. Policy Revisions | Second Reading – 1) A0105 – Composition, Organization, Appointment and Compensation of Board Members; 2) A0108 – Authorization to Represent the Board; 3) A0111 – Board Member Resignation; 4) A0201 – Board – President Relations; 5) F0401 – Waste Minimization and Recycling Policy; E. Policy Revisions | First Reading – 1) A0115 – Board Meeting Preparation; 2) A0116 – Maintenance and Publication of Board Minutes; and 3) A0204 Services of Legal Counsel. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500 Reports, 1. Motion carried.

Under the President's Report, Dr. Stanford advised the Angelo Dam transfer of ownership is being reviewed, reminded members that the District Board appointment committee meeting is October 5, shared that Western was a recipient of a Single Mother's grant and Western had a meeting with Ashley Furniture regarding another 3-year robotics lease. Leadership forum sessions have been regularly scheduled to assist leaders through these unique times. Reminder for everyone to get their flu shots.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, Mr. Bosshard thanked Rande Daykin for leading the Board Advance session in August and stated that an Advance social will be scheduled in December via zoom. Ed Lukasek shared an update from the August 28 District Boards Association planning session.

4:04pm: Motion Lukasek, 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.


Ed Lukasek, District Board Secretary



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Resolution of Commendation to **Barb Fitzsimmons**

Whereas, Barb Fitzsimmons, College Advisor in the Advising and Career Services Division, retired from Western Technical College on August 4, 2020, after completing 21 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Barb is a dedicated and hardworking individual, always putting the needs of students first; and

Whereas, she is a calm and thoughtful member of her department, always finding the good in situations and people; and

Whereas, Barb is highly respected and admired by her co-workers, having a unique ability to have difficult conversations and questions in a respectful way; and

Whereas, she is always willing to help her co-workers and Western, often volunteering on committees and helping with college events; and

Whereas, her caring heart and warm and inviting office 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 Barb Fitzsimmons 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 Barb many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.

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Roger Stanford, PhD, President

Andrew R. Bosshard, District Board Chair

Adopted, approved, and recorded by the Western Technical College District Board on September 15, 2020.