



Attachment 3 - a

**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
April 25, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in Open Session on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, and called to order by Chairperson Olson at 4:02 p.m. in the Board Room, Room M210, at the Downtown Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM 1 a. ROLL CALL

Present: Bria Burris, Erica Case, Mark Foley, Citlali Mendieta-Ramos (via Zoom), Nikki Moews, and Lisa Olson.

Excused: Lauren Baker, Antonio Diaz, Supreme Moore Omokunde

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. Elizabeth Schultz, board liaison, confirmed proper notice was given.

ITEM 2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Discussion Florence Kent, representing Socialist Alternative, expressed concern over funding for schools.

Joanne Lange, upholstery student, addressed the cost of avocational programs and course availability.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3 a. Regular Board Meeting: March 28, 2023

Motion It was moved by Director Burris, seconded by Director Moews, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting: March 28, 2023.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 4 a. Bills – March 2023**
- 4 b. Financial Report – March 2023**
- 4 c. Human Resources Report**
- 4 d. Procurement Report**
- 4 e. Construction Report**

Motion It was moved by Director Foley, seconded by Director Burris, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 5. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Action Items

- 5 a. Resolution (F0266-04-23) Authorizing the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022-2023K of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.**

Motion It was moved by Director Moews, seconded by Director Burris, to approve Resolution (F0266-04-23) Authorizing the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022-2023K of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Discussion Mr. Justin Fischer, director, Robert W. Baird & Co., reviewed the Final Pricing Summary for the \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022-2023K of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes: Burris, Case, Foley, Mendieta-Ramos, Moews, and Olson - 6

Noes: None.

- 5 b. Resolution (F0267-04-23) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022-2023L of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.**

Motion It was moved by Director Foley, seconded by Director Moews, to approve Resolution (F0267-04-23) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022-2023L of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board

April 25, 2023

Page 3

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

Ayes: Case, Foley, Mendieta-Ramos, Moews, Burris, Olson - 6

Noes: None.

5 c. Approval of Other Student Fees, Avocational Fees & Adult Tuition

Motion It was moved by Director Foley, seconded by Director Case, to approve Other Student Fees, Avocational Fees & Adult Tuition

Discussion Jeff Hollow, vice president, Finance presented the fee schedule. Dr. Mohammad Dakwar, vice president, Learning, noted that the college has proposed a reduction to the cost of avocational tuition for one year (2023-2024). He stated that this reduction will result in a loss of \$7000 a year and the college will be looking into finding more cost-effective ways of providing instruction for these courses.

Board members requested the college to find additional ways to collect data from students who do not sign up for classes, similar to the software that allows merchants to contact someone when they are online shopping and leave something in their cart.

Dr. Jeff Janz, vice president, Retention, addressed the increase in student fees. These fees have not increased since 2004. The original proposal, approved by the student government, was an increase from \$8 to \$12.25. This original proposal was reconsidered and it was determined to have the increase done in increments from \$8 to \$10.15 this next year.

Director Case noted that the schedule does not reflect the incremental increase. Dr. Janz stated that the schedule was the original draft.

Action Motion approved for an increase to student fees to \$10.15 for FY24 and a reduction in replacement fees for IDS to \$10 from \$15 and UPass replacement fees to \$25 from \$50 as verbally stated.

ITEM 6 Reports

6 a. Chairperson's Report

Chair Olson:

- Asked Director Foley to report on the spring District Boards Association Meeting.

Director Foley distributed the conference's PowerPoint presentation on Executive Limitations and suggested the board spend time reviewing this document.

Director Foley mentioned the Wisconsin Public Policy report that suggested that the Wisconsin Technical Colleges are highly funded compared to UW Colleges. The report used FTEs and not headcount in their calculation which is not an accurate representation of people served.

- Announced that the Board Self-Evaluation survey will be distributed in May.
- Stated that the Board Policy Task Force will meet on April 29.

6 b. President's Report

Discussion

Dr. Martin:

- Reported the college held its Inaugural Senior Signing Day.
- Announced the hiring of Debbie Hamlett, as Milwaukee PBS Vice President and General Manager.
- Reported on Higher Learning Commission visit.

6 c. District Student Senate Report

No report.

6 d. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report

Discussion

Dr. Eva Martinez-Powless, vice president, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, reported on her recent campus visits where she gathered feedback from the MATC community on the five-year DEI plan.

6 e. Enrollment Report

Discussion

Dr. Sarah Adams, Enrollment Services Dean and Registrar, presented the Enrollment Report.

Director Foley asked how we can get to our goal for FY24. Dr. Adams noted the college has rebooted its Strategic Enrollment Management Council (SEM), a cross-functional cross-divisional team, which will focus on new strategies to increase new enrollment and retention.

6 f. Milwaukee PBS VP General Manager's Report

Discussion

Mr. Dan Braovac, interim vice president and general manager, Milwaukee PBS, shared the following highlights:

- Milwaukee PBS is at 89% toward its targeted goal of \$6,300,000 for the fiscal year.
- Milwaukee PBS obtained the rights to re-broadcast the history-making Stormers Men's NJCCA DII championship.
- On May 1 the station will be premiering a new digital-first, local music series called Rhythm Cafe MKE.

6 g. Legislative Matters Report

Discussion Laura Bray, vice president, College Advancement and External Communications, presented the Legislative Matters Report.

ITEM 7. BOARD MONITORING

7 a. FY 23 Year-End Projection of General Fund

Information Jeff Hollow, vice president, Finance, presented the projection.

7 b. Review of FY24 Preliminary Operation Budget

Information Jeff Hollow, vice president, Finance, presented the draft budget. Mr. Hollow noted the \$1M projected deficit is driven by large increases in utility costs and the enrollment projection. He stated that the college will be looking at freezing open positions to balance the budget. He noted that the preliminary budget does not include any wage increase for the college workforce.

Director Case asked how the college assesses what positions do not get filled and how/who is assessing what work is not getting done and the effect of not filling positions.

Director Olson suggested a further explanation of the FTE 8,500 projection to the board would be beneficial.

7 c. Review FY24 Preliminary Capital Remodeling & Renovation Budget

Information Ginny Routhe, director, Facilities Planning, Sustainability & Construction, and Kris Johnson, senior project manager, Facilities, and Construction, presented the budget. It was noted that a video recording detailing items of the budget was sent in advance to board members.

7 d. Online Education

Information Dr. Pam Holt, dean, Online Education, addressed the board on the topic of Online Education.

Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board

April 25, 2023

Page 6

Discussion Dr. Olson asked the college to look at using online education as a strategy for increasing dual enrollment.

6 e. Community Education

Information Dr. Mohammad Dakwar, vice president, Learning, co-presented a PowerPoint along with Dr. Patricia Torres Najera, executive director, Community Education, HSI, & Strategic Engagement.

Discussion Director Mendieta Ramos asked for the college to find additional ways of communicating with the community about the progress and changes at Walker's Square.

Director Burris commented on the many "TBDs" on the working spreadsheet that had been provided to the board and asked the college to look at interim solutions to address any current needs while further analysis is being done.

ITEM 8. New Business
None

ITEM 9. Future Agenda Items/Events

9 a. April 26 - Apprenticeship Banquet, 5:50 p.m., Bucyrus Museum

9. b. May 21 MATC Spring Commencement, 11:00 a.m. Fiserv Forum

9. c. May 22 - GED Graduation, 6:00 p.m., MATC Cooley Auditorium, Downtown Campus

9. d. May 23 - MATC District Board Meeting 4:00 p.m., Downtown Campus, Board Room (M210)

ITEM 10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board

April 25, 2023

Page 7

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Schultz

On behalf of Board Secretary Citlali Mendieta-Ramos

* This meeting may be conducted in part by telephone. Telephone speakers will be available to allow the public to hear those parts of the proceedings that are open to the public.

** Action may be taken on any agenda item, whether designated as an action item or not. Agenda items may be moved into Closed Session for discussion when it becomes apparent that a Closed Session is appropriate under Section 19.85 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The board may return to Open Session to take action on any item discussed in Closed Session.

*** It is anticipated that this item may be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (c) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Reasonable accommodations are available through the ADA Office for individuals who need assistance. Please call 414-297-6719 to schedule services at least 48 hours before the meeting.