



Attachment 3 – a.

**MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
December 17, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board was held in Open Session on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, and called to order by Chairperson Foley at 4:09 p.m. in the Board Room, Room M210, at the Downtown Milwaukee Campus of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

ITEM 1 a. ROLL CALL

Present: Lauren Baker; Bria Burris (virtual); Erica Case; Mark Foley; Citlali Mendieta-Ramos (virtual); Supreme Moore Omokunde (virtual); Waleed Najeeb (virtual); Tina Owen-Moore (virtual); and Gale Pence.

Absent: None.

ITEM 1 b. COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Discussion Chairperson Foley 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

Mr. Carlos Aranda, licensed professional counselor, MATC, commented on personnel matters.

Mr. Stephen Millet, manager, Facilities, Oak Creek, provided comments on restorative justice initiatives and employee affinity groups.

Ms. Patricia Gomez, director, Milwaukee PBS, commented on personnel matters.

Ms. Jennifer Wayd, library technician, MATC, commented on personnel matters.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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3 a. Regular Board Meeting: November 25, 2024

Motion It was moved by Director Case and seconded by Director Burris to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 25, 2024.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 4.a. Bills – November 2024**
- 4.b. Financial Report – November 2024**
- 4.c. Human Resources Report**
- 4.d. Procurement Report**
- 4.e. Construction Report**

Motion It was moved by Director Baker, seconded by Director Case, to approve the Consent Agenda Report.

Action Motion approved.

ITEM 5. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Action Items

- 5 a. Resolution (F0343-12-24) Authorizing the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024-2025G of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin**

Motion It was moved by Director Baker, seconded by Director Moore Omokunde, to approve Resolution (F0343-12-24) Authorizing the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024-2025G of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes: Burris, Case, Mendieta-Ramos, Moore Omokunde, Najeeb, Owen-Moore, Pence, Baker, Foley - 9

Noes: None.

- 5 b. Resolution (F0344-12-24) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024-2025H of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin**

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Motion It was moved by Director Case, seconded by Director Owen-Moore, to approve Resolution (F0344-12-24) Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024-2025H of Milwaukee Area Technical College District, Wisconsin.

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

Ayes: Case, Mendieta-Ramos, Moore Omokunde, Najeeb, Owen-Moore, Pence, Baker, Burris and Foley - 9

Noes: None.

5 c. Resolution (F0345-12-24) to Approve Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Motion It was moved by Director Pence, seconded by Director Najeeb, to approve Resolution (F0345-12-24) to Approve Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Action Motion approved by voice vote.

Director Owen-Moore left the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

5 d. Resolution (F0346-12-24) to Approve Single Audit Report

Motion It was moved by Director Case, seconded by Director Burris, to approve Resolution (F0346-12-24) to Approve the Single Audit Report.

Action Motion approved by voice vote.

5 e. Resolution (F0347-12-24) to Approve Auditor's Communication

Motion It was moved by Director Baker, seconded by Director Pence, to approve Resolution (F0347-12-24) to Approve Auditor's Communication.

Action Motion approved by voice vote.

5 f. Resolution (F0348-12-24) to Approve Proposed Program Titled Community Health Worker Apprenticeship

Motion It was moved by Director Najeeb, seconded by Director Baker, to approve Resolution (F0348-12-24) to Approve Proposed Program Titled Community Health Worker Apprenticeship.

Action Motion approved by voice vote.

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ITEM 6. Policy Review

6 a. Policy G0300 – Safety and Security

Discussion Sherry Terrell-Webb, general counsel, led the discussion on the policy review.

6.b. Policy G0301-1 – Weapons on MATC Property

Discussion Sherry Terrell-Webb, general counsel, led the discussion on the policy review.

ITEM 7. Policy Approval

7 a. Policy D0402 – Credit for Prior Learning and Experience

Motion It was moved by Director Case, seconded by Director Baker, to approve Policy D0402 – Credit for Prior Learning and Experience.

Action Motion approved by voice vote.

ITEM 8. Reports - Monthly

8 a. Chairperson’s Report

Discussion Chairperson Foley shared the following report:

- Congratulations to the over 1,000 Winter Commencement graduates who graduated on December 14. The ceremony was held at Fiserv Forum and will be broadcast on January 11 at 10:00 a.m. on Milwaukee PBS Channel 36.
- On January 15, the college will celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a luncheon and keynote address by Reverend Naomi Tutu.
- The Wisconsin District Boards Association will be hosting a legislative seminar on January 16, which will be an opportunity for board members to meet with legislative officials and advocate for the technical college system. On January 17, the national American Association of Community College Trustees will host a full-day Governance Leadership Institute in Madison, specifically for DBA trustees and Presidents.
- Congratulations to Dr. Cruz for being selected by BizTimes Media as one of the 275 most influential business leaders in Wisconsin. Wisconsin 275 is a year-long research initiative by the editors of BizTimes Milwaukee that highlights the most influential executives in different economic sectors throughout the state.

8 b. President's Report

Discussion Dr. Anthony Cruz shared the following report:

- Current enrollment is 9% higher than last year's enrollment and 7.5% ahead of the college's goal for FY25.
- Dr. Cruz was the keynote speaker for the December 3 UMOs Interfaith Luncheon.
- On December 4, the college received a donation of six Rheem heating and cooling systems, featuring advanced HVAC technology and high-efficiency furnaces from Design Air, a local distributor and wholesale supplier specializing in heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC). This donation will benefit 150 students each semester.
- This month, the college hosted listening sessions for students to share their questions and perspectives on the recent elections and the topic of immigration. Additionally, a Community Resource Fair was held at Walker's Square, where 77 students in attendance received guidance and support in addressing their current challenges.
- On December 12, Dr. Cruz joined the Recruitment Team for their Community Impact Series, presented in both English and Spanish. The event was held at the West Allis Library and organized in collaboration with the District Student Association.
- On December 16, the college celebrated the graduation of seven students who earned their welding certificates through the Second Chance Pell program. Over 200 students have graduated from MATC due to the groundbreaking partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections and the U.S. Department of Education.
- On December 17, over 300 students celebrated the earning of their GEDs at the Cooley Auditorium.
- The college will host a Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration on January 15, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Downtown Campus. The Reverend Naomi Tutu, daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, will be the keynote speaker. The event will feature performances and speakers reflecting on Dr. King's vision of building a beloved community and reaffirming MATC's commitment to equity, justice, and inclusion.
- MATC's National Day of Racial Healing celebration will be held on January 22, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Downtown Campus, Room M605. The keynote address will be given by Dr. Joy Angela DeGruy, an internationally acclaimed researcher and educator specializing in the intersections of racism, trauma and healing. Dr. DeGruy is also the author of "Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome,"

which illuminates pathways to social justice and community resilience.

- Dr. Cruz acknowledged the contributions of Dr. Mohammad Dakwar, vice president, Learning, and Dr. Christine Manion, vice president, Institutional Effectiveness, and thanked them for their leadership and unwavering commitment to advancing the academic mission of the institution.

8 c. Treasurer's Report

Discussion Director Gale Pence shared the treasurer's report. Highlights of the report included:

- Director Pence is in the process of updating the Board Policy for the Treasurer's position.
- Director Pence is collaborating with general counsel on an audit follow-up document that could be used as a working document between board reporting and the audit committee.

8 d. District Student Senate Report

Discussion Mr. Warren Murphy, chairperson for the MATC District Student Association (DSA), shared the Student Senate report. Highlights of the report included:

- On December 4, MATC students Elsa Marks, Apexa Prajapati, and Mr. Murphy visited the United Nations Foundation in New York City to present ideas for a program focused on providing resources to immigrants and a program focused on preventing wildfires and repurposing wildfire byproducts.
- The Student Life offices held a number of successful end-of-the-year events, including the Snowman Spectacular at the Oak Creek Campus.
- The DSA formed a Student Housing Subcommittee and a Graduate Recognition Subcommittee to workshop resolutions that they hope to share with the administration in the coming weeks.

8 e. Gramm Leach Bliley Act (GLBA) FTC Report (Annual)

Discussion Mr. Donald Kasprzak, director, Information Security, shared the annual GLBA FTC report. Highlights of the report included:

- Information Security and Internal Audit are the areas responsible for the GLBA safeguards.
- GLBA safeguard components include:
 - Endpoint detection and response protection from malware and other malicious actions or threats.

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- Strengthened authentication controls including multi-factor authentication at login for all email accounts and workstations.
- Deployed identity protection to monitor network traffic for suspicious activity or events.
- Deployed privileged access manager to restrict actions on workstations based upon role-based needs.

ITEM 9. BOARD MONITORING

9 a. Emerging Leaders Program

Discussion Ms. Michelle Wild, director, Training, Development, and Credentialing, answered questions from the board regarding the recorded presentation.

- Ms. Wild introduced two members of Cohort One – Mr. Peter Couto, retention coach, Pathway Retention, and Mr. Doni Bartley, instructor, Manufacturing Pathway. Mr. Couto and Mr. Bartley each shared how the program impacted their professional development.

9 b. Review of Board Self-Evaluation Instrument

Discussion Chair Foley led the discussion on the board self-evaluation instrument.

ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS

Director Baker asked about Board Retreats.

ITEM 11. Future Agenda Items/Events

- a. WTCDBA Legislative Seminar, January 15-16, 2025, Madison Concourse Hotel
- b. ACCT Governance Leadership Institute, January 17, 2025, Madison Concourse Hotel
- c. January 28, 2025, MATC District Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Downtown Milwaukee Campus, Boardroom (M210)

ITEM 11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Peter Kowochich

On behalf of Board Secretary Citlali Mendieta-Ramos

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