

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 25, 2020

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 1:05pm on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street North, La Crosse, WI (room 408). Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Kara Burgos, Carrie Buss, Ed Lukasek, Angie Lawrence, Ken Peterson, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President. District Board members Dave Laehn and Michelle Greendeer-Rave were excused.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Friday, February 21, 2020 at 1:43pm 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, Tracy Dryden, Rande Daykin, John Heath, Kari Reyburn, Barb Kelsey, Ryan Monroe, and Cooper Richason (Student Government)

Public Comment: None

Motion Lawrence, second Peterson, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolution of commendation recognizing Dennis Deml on his retirement from Western. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. *A copy of the resolution is attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachment A.*

District Board was provided the following reports/updates: Achieve the Dream conference, Western wellness plan, and advising/career services unit presentation. The ACCT National legislative summit and 2020 budget were discussed.

Motion Burgos, second Burgos, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. January 21, 2020 District Board Meeting Minutes; B. Financial Reports – January 2020; 1. Schedule of Payments; 2. Vendors Over \$2500; 3. General Revenue/Expense Report; 4. Department Budget Summary; 5. Auxiliary Services Reports; 6. Capital Projects Reports; 7. BIS Contract Training Report FY19. Votes: Ayes, 7; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Burgos, second Lawrence, that the Western Technical College District Board Adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Establishing Parameters for the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2020B, of Western Technical College District, Wisconsin. Roll call: Burgos, yes; Buss, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lukasek, yes; Peterson, yes; Treu, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Lawrence, second Buss that the Western Technical College District Board approve the donation of land to Western Technical College and adopt resolution of commendation to City of Sparta for the property. Votes: Ayes, 6; Opposed, 0; Abstention, 1. Motion carried.

3:41pm: Motion Lawrence, second Treu, 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 personnel matters. No action. The Board will convene into open dialog session immediately following closed session. No. action. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Peterson, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

3:49pm: Motion Buss, second Lukasek that the Western Technical College District Board reconvene into open session. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Peterson, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and current priorities. He will not be attending DBA Spring meeting in April due to other college related travel. Tracy Dryden provided an update on the annual planning cycle and Wade Hackbarth updated the Board on spring enrollment.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, several upcoming event dates were provided. The process for annual District Board and President's evaluation was defined. Board members were reminded to delete any email messages that appear to be SPAM from Mr. Bosshard.

Other business: Nominations for officers to the District Boards Association are being taken during the April 2-4 meeting. A thank you was provided to those members that have contributed to the Cavalier Cupboard.

4:29m: Motion Burgos, second Treu, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes 7; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Laehn".

Dave Laehn, District Board Secretary

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Resolution of Commendation

Dennis Deml

Whereas, Dennis Deml, Custodian in the Physical Plant, Finance & Operations, retired from Western Technical College on January 15, 2020, after completing 28+ years of service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Dennis had an eye for detail and was dedicated to delivering the best results; and

Whereas, he wanted what was fair for the group over the individual; and

Whereas, Dennis would go out of his way to help students and employees; and

Whereas, his willingness to work as a team and his awareness of safety issues 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 Dennis Deml 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 Dennis many happy and satisfying years in his retirement.