## WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD Minutes to Regular Meeting September 17, 2019

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 1:56pm on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at the Western Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street N, La Crosse, WI (Room 408). Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Kara Burgos, Carrie Buss, Dave Laehn, Angie Lawrence, Ed Lukasek, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President. Board member Ken Peterson was excused.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 12:00pm 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, Patti Balacek, John Heath, Rande Daykin, Doris Mish, Taylor Hanson, (Western employees) and Glena Temple (Viterbo University)

**Public Comment: None** 

Motion Burgos, second Lawrence, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt resolution of commendation recognizing Doris Mish on retirement from Western. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution in its entirety is attached to and incorporated into these minutes as Attachment A.

District Board was provided the following reports/updates: Viterbo University transfer opportunities, Experience 2025 Workforce/Community Engagement and discussed the property tax estimate (not finalized as of this date), policy subcommittee and budget and facilities subcommittee.

Items to be removed from consent agenda: Policy B0600P(a) District Board Travel and Policy E0500 Student Government

Motion Lukasek, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. August 20 regular meeting minutes; September 3 budget and facilities subcommittee meeting minutes; B. Financial Reports – August - 1) Schedule of Payments; 2) Vendors Over \$2500; 3) Capital Projects Reports; C. College Policies | Second Reading – A. Policy Reviewed | No Revisions – 1) A0106P Oath of Office; 2) B0110 Fund Balance Policy; 3) C0409 Recognition; B. Policy Revisions: 1) A0XXX Commitment to Sustainability and Resilience; 2) F0105 Parking Regulations: C. College Policies | Discontinuance – 1) B0401 Use of Facilities, Equipment and Services; 2) C0800 Resignation During Contract Period; 3) E0702 Student Lockers; D) College Policies | First Reading – A. Policy Revision: 1) B0400 College Facilities Rental; 2) D0401 Degrees; 3) E0203 Military-Connected Student. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500 Report, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Lawrence, second Burgos, that the Western Technical College District Board approve Western's Experience 2025 Strategic Plan refresh 2019. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Burgos, second Lukasek that the Western Technical College District Board approve the District Board annual planning calendar updates. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Treu, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Establishing Parameters for the Sale of \$4,225,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2019D, of Western Technical College District, Wisconsin. Roll call: Burgos, yes; Buss, yes; Laehn, yes; Lawrence, yes; Lukasek, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Treu, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Lukasek, second Treu, that the Western Technical College District Board approve naming the Veteran Military Center for the purposes of recognition, the Weber Family Veteran and Military Student Center. Votes: Ayes, 8; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

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Dr. Stanford highlighted the recently held meetings, tours and news/media coverage and current priorities. An enrollment update was provided. Board members were encouraged to watch the video clip from College Day. Reminder of the October 7 Student Success Center ribbon cutting was provided.

Under the District Board Chairperson report, members were thanked for attending College Day, and several upcoming calendar reminders were provided.

3:16pm: Motion Burgos, second Treu that the Western Technical College District Board convene into closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(c) and (g), Wis. Stats. to discuss a personnel matter and to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral advice concerning possible, related litigation. The Board will reconvene into open dialog session immediately following the closed session. No action. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

3:32pm: Motion Lukasek, second Treu that the Western Technical College District Board reconvene into open session. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Greendeer-Rave, yes; Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

Other Business: Ed Lukasek distributed information from the recently held District Boards Association annual planning meeting.

3:35pm: 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.

Dave Laehn, District Board Secretary

## WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT

## Resolution of Commendation Doris Mish

**Whereas**, Doris Mish, Campus Coordinator at the Independence Regional Location, will retire from Western Technical College on September 30, 2019, after completing 24 years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

**Whereas**, Doris is an enthusiastic advocate for technical college education in the Independence, Whitehall, and Arcadia areas; and

**Whereas**, community members know her as a welcoming presence on campus who is passionate about student success; and

**Whereas**, Doris has worked hard to build Project Circuit and grow Western's partnerships with her regional location's consortium of high schools; and

**Whereas**, she is a compassionate and trustworthy co-worker who goes out of her way to help faculty and staff; and

**Whereas**, Doris is the leader of the Campus Coordinators, having earned their respect through her creativity and mentorship; and

**Whereas**, her community knowledge, dedication, and ability to document processes like no other 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 Doris Mish 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 Doris many happy and satisfying years in her retirement.

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