

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Organizational Meeting
July 12, 2021

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the organizational meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 1:02pm on Monday, July 12, 2021 at the Western Technical College Lunda Center, 319 Seventh Street North, La Crosse, WI. Board members present were: Lance Bagstad, Andrew Bosshard, Carrie Buss, Majel Hein, Kevin Hennessey, Ed Lukasek (via zoom), Angie Lawrence, Ken Peterson, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President.

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 6:48am 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, Amy Thornton and Julie Lemon (Western employees)

Mr. Bosshard administered the oath of office to newly appointed member Lance Bagstad and reappointed member Carrie Buss who were appointed to serve 3-year terms beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024. Ms. Buss, Vice Chairperson, administered the oath of office to reappointed member Andrew Bosshard to serve another 3-year term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024. Signatures were obtained from Board members affirming their understanding and compliance to Policy A0106-Oath of Office and Code of Ethics for the District Board.

Angie Lawrence nominated Carrie Buss for the position of District Board Chairperson. Motion Treu, second Hein to close nominations. Ayes, 9; Opposed 0. Ms. Buss was appointed as District Board Chairperson.

Angie Lawrence nominated Ken Peterson for the position of District Board Vice Chairperson. Motion Hennessey, second Hein to close nominations. Ayes, 9; Opposed. 0. Mr. Peterson was appointed as District Board Vice Chairperson.

Kevin Hennessey nominated Majel Hein to the position of District Board Secretary, seconded by Dennis Treu. Motion to close nominations by Angie Lawrence, seconded by Andrew Bosshard. Motion Bosshard, seconded Hennessey to cast unanimous ballot. Ayes, 9; Opposed 0. Ms. Hein appointed as Secretary.

Andrew Bosshard nominated Ed Lukasek to the position of District Board Treasurer. Motion Lawrence, second Peterson to close nominations. Motion Bagstad, second Hein to cast unanimous ballot. Mr. Lukasek was appointed as District Board Treasurer.

Presentations: Communication Team; annual Higher Learning Commission update; COVID update; and President's annual goals for 2021-22

Motion Bosshard, second Hein, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: A. June 15, 2021 District Board Meeting Minutes; B. Financial Reports – June 2021 – 1. Schedule of Payments; 2. Vendors over \$2500; 3. Capital Projects Reports; 4. Bids/RFPs Awarded; C. Policy Revisions | Second Reading – 1. CO600 | C0600p Board Negotiation Team Policy & Procedure; D. New Program Development | Concept Review - 1. Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Associate Degree; 2. Data Analytics Specialist Associate Degree; 3. Drone Specialist Technical Diploma; 4. Public Safety Leadership Associate of Applied Science; and 5. Wildland Firefighter Associate of Applied Science. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Abstention to Vendors over \$2500 Reports, 1. Motion carried.

Motion Lawrence, second Treu that the Western Technical College District Board designate the District Board's meeting dates, times, and locations for 2021-2022 as follows, subject to change as needed. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Schedule of District Board Meetings 2021-2022

| | Day | Date | Time | Location |
|----------------|---------|--|--------|---|
| Organizational | Monday | July 12, 2021 (2 nd Monday) | 1:00pm | Lunda Center |
| Regular | Tuesday | August 17, 2021 | 1:00pm | TBD |
| Regular | Tuesday | September 21, 2021 | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | October 19, 2021 | 1:00pm | A408 – 4:15pm Tour Apprenticeship |
| Regular | Tuesday | November 2, 2021 (Chair Academy Conference November 16-19, 2022) | 1:00pm | Sparta Public Safety |
| Regular | Tuesday | December 21, 2021 | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | January 11, 2022 (2 nd Tuesday - WTCS PA Meets January 18, 2022) | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | February 8, 2022 (ATD Conference February 14-17, 2022) | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | March 15, 2022 | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | April 19, 2022 | 1:00pm | Independence |
| <i>Special</i> | Tuesday | April 26, 2022 (Budget Meeting) | 9:00am | Sparta |
| Regular | Tuesday | May 10, 2022 (2 nd Tuesday-Non Renewals) | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Regular | Tuesday | June 21, 2022 (Preceded by Public Hearing on Budget) | 1:00pm | A408 |
| Organizational | Monday | July 11, 2022 (2 nd Monday) | 1:00pm | A408 |

Additional Special District Board meetings may be scheduled as needed.

District Board Committee Appointments for 2021-22: Tabled.

Motion Hein, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the administration to use Johns Flaherty and Collins as both general and personnel counsel; Strang, Patteson, Renning, Lewis & Lacy, S. C. as labor relations counsel; Quarles and Brady as bond counsel with Mr. Brian Lanser as principal attorney; and to further designate and consult with specialized counsel as the need may arise in 2021-2022. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Bagstad, second Peterson that the Western Technical College District Board authorize the administration to use the firm of Robert W. Baird & Co as the District's Public Finance Advisor for 2021-2022 with Mr. Brian Brewer as principal consultant. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Motion Hein, second Lawrence, that the Western Technical College District Board designate the La Crosse Tribune as the District's official newspaper for 2021-2022. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

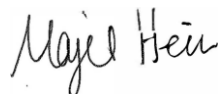
Motion Lawrence, second Treu that the Western Technical College District Board approve the eight selected qualified public depositories throughout the District for all public monies coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Western Technical College District Board. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Peterson, second Hennessey that the Western Technical College District Board approve the annual calendar for 2021-2022 to reflect the August 2021 meeting location as TBD. Votes: Ayes, 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.

Under the President's Report, a thank you note from a recent retiree was shared; announced that Hot Dog Wednesdays will run from Memorial Day through Labor Day; informed of an Ashley meeting scheduled for July 19; flag dedication for a long-term foundation board member is planned. An enrollment update was provided

Under the District Board Chairperson report, Ms. Buss reminded members of the DBA meeting on July 15-17.

4:02pm: Motion Treu, second Bagstad, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.



Majel Hein, District Board Secretary