

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 19, 2024

K. Peterson, Chair, called the Board of Western Technical College District meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at Western Technical College, Admin Center, 111 7th St. N., Rm 408, La Crosse, WI. Board members present: A. Bosshard, C. Doering III, M. Greendeer-Rave K. Hennessey, J. Dillin, A. Lawrence, K. Peterson, and R. Stanford, President. Excused: L. Bagstad

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on March 14, 2024, at 12:05 p.m., 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 19.81-19.98.

Others present: J. Pintz, W. Hackbarth, R. Hopkins, J. Heath, T. Dryden, B. Shane, L. Wallace, C. Heit, A. Babatande, T. Quinn, M. Krogman (Western employees); A. Groves, J. Leisgang, D. Gonzalez, T. Thurin, M. Chavez (Western Student Government Executives)

Motion Lawrence, seconded by Dillin to approve the resolution of commendation, Lee Cravens. Votes: 7 Ayes, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstain. Motion carried. **Attachment A.**

Presentations included an update from Student Government executives about annual activities and accomplishments; Achieving the Dream and Strategic Focus area moved to May; B. Shane provided an update on the Title III Grant; Hackbarth provided an update; and there was a brief discussion on the Viroqua Community Space; no action was taken.

Motion Hennessey, second Bosshard, that the Western Technical College District Board approve the following consent items as presented: 1. Minutes - a. February 13, 2024, 2. Financial Reports: a. Vendors over \$2,500-Feb 2024; b. General revenue/expense reports-Jan & Feb 2024; c. Department budget summary - Jan & Feb 2024; d. Enterprise service-Jan & Feb, 2024; e. Capital Projects - Feb 2024. 3. Project Submission: WTCS Oral Health Grant FY 2024; 4. Policies a. D0105 Programming High School Non-Graduates under 18; b. C0109-E0711 Name in Use; c. D0401 Degrees. Votes: 7 Ayes, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstain: from Vendors over \$2,500. Motion carried.

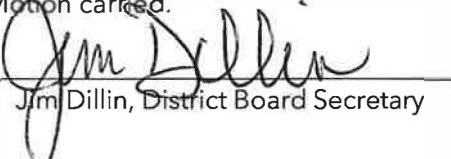
Motion Lawrence, second Greendeer-Rave, Approval for 1. Private Sector Review. Votes: 7 Ayes, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

President Stanford reported on recent events, including summer registration started today, and with the new ERP conversion, things are going well; WTCS president Dr. Foy announced her retirement (June 2024), and she was on campus recently to record a video about what the students are doing, this is a part of the statewide campaign; Roger shared information on his recent travels (state and national conferences and meetings over the past month); French exchange students are on campus for the next three weeks starting today, they will be training w/ our faculty and with local businesses; Hopkins and Hackbarth shared updates on 7-week and ERP transitions.

The District Board Chairperson shared upcoming dates, events, and the DBA meeting on March 22-23 at Nicolet. He invited M. Greendeer-Rave to share her experience at the Achieving the Dream Conference. He provided an update about the board appointment meeting and the newly appointed members and reminded them of Plus Delta feedback.

4:16 Motion Hennessey, second Bosshard, to move into closed session. Roll Call A. Bosshard, yes; J. Dillin, yes; C. Doering III, yes; M. Greendeer-Rave, yes; K. Hennessey, yes; A. Lawrence, yes; K. Peterson, yes. Motion carried. No action was taken.

5:14 p.m. Motion Hennessey, second Doering, that the Western Technical College District Board move back into open session and adjourn. Votes: Ayes, 7 Opposed, 0. Motion carried.


Jim Dillin, District Board Secretary



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Resolution of Commendation to **Lee Cravens**

Whereas, Lee Cravens, Residence Hall custodian in the Finance and Operations Division will retire from Western Technical College on March 22 after completing 40+ years of loyal and dedicated service to the students, staff, and the District Board of the Western Technical College District; and

Whereas, Lee has consistently exhibited an even-tempered and patient demeanor, providing a stable and calming influence within the Residence Hall; and

Whereas, he has demonstrated exceptional honesty and integrity, earning the trust and respect of colleagues, contractors, and students alike; and

Whereas, his unwavering dedication to understanding the needs of the Residence Hall community has positioned him as an individual with an innate ability to keep his finger on the pulse of student life;

Whereas, Lee has showcased remarkable skills in handling work orders and repair requests, displaying a keen ability to prioritize and address critical issues with a thoughtful and resourceful approach, maintaining a calm and controlled environment; and

Whereas, his leadership, friendship, and knowledge 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 Lee Cravens 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 Lee many happy and satisfying years in his retirement.

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Roger Stanford, PhD, President/District Director

Ken Peterson, Chair