

MINUTES OF MEETING
WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM BOARD
JULY 12-13, 2016
WISCONSIN INDIANHEAD TECHNICAL COLLEGE
1900 COLLEGE DRIVE, RICE LAKE CONFERENCE CENTER, RM. 241
RICE LAKE, WISCONSIN 54868

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

Members Present: Phil Baranowski, Lisa Erickson, Becky Lezvow, W. Kent Lorenz, John Schwantes, Kelly Tourdot, S. Mark Tyler, Sharon Wendt for Tony Evers, Stephen Willett, Mary Williams.

Members Absent: Ray Allen, Terrance McGowan, Susan Schaumburg.

System Office Staff Present: Dan Arneson, Morna Foy, Emily Gleason, Jim Mackey, Carrie Morgan, Dan Scanlon, Karen Showers, Conor Smyth, Jim Zylstra.

District/Others Present: Layla Merrifield, District Boards Association; Bruce Barker, Mona Mathews, Chippewa Valley Technical College; Susan May, Fox Valley Technical College; Sue Budjac, Mid-State Technical College; Bonnie Baerwald, Moraine Park Technical College; Richard Nelson, Nicolet Area Technical College; Bob Mathews, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College; Bonny Copenhaver, Shane Evenson, David Hildebrand, Lori Laberee, Susan Lockwood, Kim Olson, Andrea Schullo, John Will, Eileen Yeakley, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College; Kaylen Betzig, Waukesha County Technical College; Chris Morse, Wisconsin Student Government.

Board President Schwantes called the meeting to order at 4:28 p.m. Emily Gleason read the open meeting statement and roll call indicated that a quorum was present.

ITEM A: Approval of the May 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Board Member Baranowski, seconded by Board Member Willett that the May 10, 2016, meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM B: Report of the Board President

Board President Schwantes introduced new WTCS Board Member Lisa Erickson, who succeeds José Vásquez as the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents' representative, and recognized Wisconsin Student Government (WSG) President, Chris Morse.

President Schwantes provided a meeting preview, offering that during today's session, the Board will hear from a panel of WTCS experts on Credit for Prior Learning, while tomorrow's

session will include Board action on several facility items, the student financial aid biennial budget request, and an update on the Board's 2016-2020 Strategic Directions.

ITEM C: Election of Officers

Board President Schwantes called for nominations for Board officers.

Board Member Lezow nominated the current officers of the Board, John Schwantes for President, Mark Tyler for Vice President and Phil Baranowski for Secretary and moved that a unanimous ballot be cast to reelect these individuals as officers of the Board for 2016-17. Board Member Willett seconded the motion.

Board President Schwantes called for nominations two additional times and hearing no other nominations, asked for a vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM D: Report of the System President

System President Foy welcomed Board Member Erickson and shared a video montage of news headlines.

President Foy participated in several technical college graduation ceremonies in May, including those at Gateway, Northcentral and Milwaukee Area Technical Colleges, as well as the Forest County Potawatomi Community graduation, a partnership with Nicolet Area Technical College.

President Foy noted that the 2015 Graduate Outcomes Report continues to gain attention.

The Wisconsin Leadership Development Institute (WLDI) recently graduated another group in the Foundation course for new leaders, including WTCS Education Director Sarah Kavanaugh. The program began over 20 years ago and has graduated more than 600 leaders.

President Foy participated in a University of Wisconsin – Stout CTE Summit in June, engaging community and stakeholder groups in reenergizing their program for CTE instructors. Board members Tyler and Wendt participated in the Summit.

The Board will hear an update at Wednesday's session on the System's efforts to advance the Board's 2016-2020 Strategic Directions while upcoming spotlights include Apprenticeship in September, Manufacturing Month in October and Allied Health Programs in November.

President Foy showed a video produced by WTCS Communications Specialist Dan Arneson, portraying Waukesha County Technical College student and WTCS State Ambassador Richard Faith's personal technical college experience.

President Foy noted a story by Community College Daily, *Setting a Course for Change Includes Risks*, featuring an interview of the incoming chair of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), Daniel Phelan.

ITEM E: Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association

Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association President Mona Mathews and Executive Director Layla Merrifield updated the board on recent Association activities. The summer meeting will be held in July at Northcentral Technical College and feature an in-service on K-12 partnerships and tours of Greenheck Fan Corporation and J & D Tube Benders.

Ms. Mathews thanked the Board for including the Association in the System's Biennial Budget Development Workgroup.

ITEM F: WTCS Presidents' Association

Association President and President of Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College John Will shared that the Association held its annual organizational meeting in June. The Association will maintain the 2015-16 subcommittees and continue to focus on the Board's Strategic Directions. The colleges continue to share best practices and collaborate.

ITEM G: Teaching and Learning – Credit for Prior Learning

A panel of WTCS experts updated the Board on the System's efforts to advance a robust, clear and consistent framework for awarding students credit for prior learning, including military veterans. Panelists included:

- Karen Showers, WTCS Education Director, Counseling and Student Support;
- Jim Mackey, WTCS Education Director, Manufacturing;
- Andrea Schullo, Curriculum and Assessment Manager, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College; and,
- Shane Evenson, Registrar, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College.

Board members engaged panelists in a discussion of the colleges' work. Board President Schwantes noted that credit for prior learning will encourage adults to return to college to earn a credential, and is an area of specific interest in his work.

It was moved by Board Member Wendt, seconded by Board Member Baranowski, to recess the meeting until Wednesday, July 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting recessed at 6:11 p.m.

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

Members Present: Phil Baranowski, Lisa Erickson, Becky Lezvow, W. Kent Lorenz, John Schwantes, Kelly Tourdot, S. Mark Tyler, Sharon Wendt for Tony Evers, Stephen Willett, Mary Williams.

Members Absent: Ray Allen, Terrance McGowan, Susan Schaumburg.

System Office Staff Present: Dan Arneson, Morna Foy, Emily Gleason, Lisa Hebgen, Jim Mackey, Carrie Morgan, Dan Scanlon, Karen Showers, Conor Smyth, Jim Zylstra.

District/Others Present: Layla Merrifield, District Boards Association; Bruce Barker, Mona Mathews, Chippewa Valley Technical College; Susan May, Fox Valley Technical College; Bryan Albrecht, Gateway Technical College; Jack Daniels, Mark Thomas, Madison Area Technical College; Sue Budjac, Mid-State Technical College; Bonnie Baerwald, Moraine Park Technical College; Richard Nelson, Nicolet Area Technical College; Angie Servi, Lori Weyers, Northcentral Technical College; Chris Dahlke, Chet Lamers, Bob Mathews, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College; James Beistle, Bonny Copenhaver, Kim Olson, John Will, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College; Kaylen Betzig, Waukesha County Technical College; Chris Morse, Wisconsin Student Government.

Board President Schwantes called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Emily Gleason read the open meeting statement and roll call indicated that a quorum was present.

ITEM H: Consent Agenda

Board President Schwantes offered the consent agenda for Board discussion and hearing no questions, called for a motion.

It was moved by Board Member Baranowski, seconded by Board Member Tyler that the Board approve the program development, facilities requests and interim district board appointments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM I: Madison Area Technical College – Project Concept Review

WTCS Facilities Director Dan Scanlon provided the Board with an overview of the project to construct an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course and additional facilities at Madison Area Technical College in Columbia County.

It was moved by Board Member Lorenz, seconded by Board Member Wendt, that the Board finds the concept for Madison Area Technical College's proposed construction of an Emergency Vehicle Operator Course, classroom Building and Storage Structure is reasonable. The final scope and design of this project is subject to review and approval by the Board as required by s. 38.04(10) Stats. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM J: Northeast Wisconsin Technical College – Project Concept Review

Mr. Scanlon was joined by Northeast Wisconsin Technical College staff to provide an overview of the request to acquire land for and make improvements to the Green Bay Campus. The property is contiguous to the campus and houses an industrial building and heavy equipment, including a crane. Funding for the acquisition will be by district borrowing authorized as approved in the college's successful \$66.5 million referendum in April 2015.

It was moved by Board Member Willett, seconded by Board Member Tyler, that the Board finds the concept for Northeast Wisconsin Technical College's proposed acquisition of land and improvements at the Green Bay Campus is reasonable. The final scope and design of the projects are subject to review and approval by the Board as required by s. 38.04(10) Stats. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM K: Northeast Wisconsin Technical College – Project Review

Mr. Scanlon provided an overview of the projects. Northeast Wisconsin Technical College proposes to construct an addition to its Universal Driving Facility in Green Bay and modernize the Sturgeon Bay Campus through remodeling. Funding for the projects will be by district borrowing authorized as approved in the college's successful \$66.5 million referendum in April 2015.

It was moved by Board Member Tyler, seconded by Board Member Willett, that the Board approve the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College request to Construct Additional Facilities in Green Bay and Remodel existing facilities in Sturgeon Bay. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM L: 2017-19 Student Financial Aid Request to HEAB

WTCS Executive Vice President Jim Zylstra reported that the Biennial Budget Development Workgroup discussed the student financial aid request focusing on student need. Historically, a large number of WTCS students who are eligible to receive a need-based, GPR-funded Wisconsin Grant are unfunded. In 2015-16, 23,000 students eligible to receive the Wisconsin Grant were unfunded, even after the State invested an additional \$500,000 for the 2015-16 academic year. A request to increase the appropriation by \$23 million would eliminate the annual waiting list and bring the WTCS allocation of state funds closer to the other sectors.

Board Member Tyler highlighted the disparity of the allocation of funds between higher education sectors. Board Member Willett supported submitting the request to the Higher Educational Aids Board (HEAB). Board members discussed the unmet needs of Wisconsin's technical college students and the return on investment for the state's economic development.

It was moved by Baranowski, seconded by Tyler, that the Board approve the submission of the WTCS request for financial aid to the Higher Educational Aids Board. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM M: 2016-2020 Strategic Directions Update

WTCS Director of Strategic Advancement Conor Smyth moderated a panel of experts updating the Board on the System's efforts to advance the Board's Vision and 2016-2020 Strategic Directions. Discussion focused on examples of outcomes that directly align with the Directions: Transform, Innovate, Inspire and Collaborate, including career pathways and hands-on career exploration, the student success score card, Academic and Career Planning (ACP) and affordability and access. Panelists included:

- Carrie Morgan, WTCS Associate Vice President, Occupational & Academic Excellence;
- Angie Servi, Director of Institutional Research, Northcentral Technical College;
- Lisa Hebgren, WTCS Education Director, Disability & Diversity Services; and,
- Sharon Wendt, Director, Career & Technical Education, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

Board President Schwantes thanked the panelists for the informative discussion.

ITEM N: Legislative Update

WTCS Executive Vice President Jim Zylstra and District Boards Association Executive Director Layla Merrifield updated the Board on legislative activities affecting the System including an update on the Legislative Council Study Committees focusing on recidivism and Emergency Medical Technician and Firefighter shortages. The Biennial Budget Development Workgroup continues to meet. The Board will take action on the 2017-19 Biennial Budget Request at the September meeting.

ITEM O: Announcements/Adjourn

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is September 13-14, 2016, at Mid-State Technical College in Stevens Point.

It was moved by Board Member Baranowski, seconded by Board Member Willett, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Gleason
Recording Secretary