

**Waukesha County Area Technical College
District Board Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2022 - 5:00 PM
Richard T. Anderson Education Center, C051/057**

Present:

Courtney Bauer, Chairperson
Joe Garza, Board Vice Chairperson
Michael Wiebe, Secretary/Treasurer
Brian Baumgartner, Board Member
Stephanie Borowski, Board Member
Ryan Clark, Board Member
Thomas Michalski, Board Member
Lois Vasquez, Board Member

Absent

Also Present:

Richard Barnhouse

23 Guests

I. Call to Order – Courtney Bauer 5:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public/Staff Remarks*

- None

III. President’s Report – Dr. Richard G. Barnhouse

- Dr. Barnhouse welcomed everyone to the meeting. Faculty are back on campus today and classes start Monday, August 15.
- eSports will be discussed at today’s meeting. This is where higher education is going and we see this as another way to keep more students on campus.
- Administrators met with a large delegation from La Casa to discuss student opportunities. We expect this will be a very strong relationship moving forward.
- A meeting was held with Rogers Behavioral Health to discuss partnerships on multiple levels including nursing, CNA, internships and post grad full time employment.
- We were invited to tour the Three Pillars Senior Living Community. Three Pillars is looking for partners to bring in educational/academic opportunities for residents and an avenue for future employees.
- Served as part of a panel put together by Mark Hansen, Elmbrook Schools Superintendent, called Partners for Health Care, to discuss how we might solve the problem of not enough people in health care for the workforce.
- Served as a panelist for the Mayors Annual Celebrate Waukesha Breakfast. The discussion was around what is higher education doing to support the workforce needs.
- Met Jim Leef, CEO of Absorb-tech, for breakfast to discuss what Gen Z is going to look like, how they like to work and what skill sets they will bring to the workforce. We should be excited about this generation.
- Last Friday, we surprised two new students at their homes and welcomed them to WCTC.
- Tomorrow is our All College Kick-Off & Celebration where we will be discussing the Modern College.
- The Workforce Solutions Council is meeting on campus next Monday, where we will be discussing immigration and options that employers have.

IV. WCTC Foundation Board Report – Brian Baumgartner

- A meeting of the WCTC Foundation Board was held on Tuesday, July 19, 2022. The Foundation's operating plan for FY22-23 was approved. FY21-22 outcomes include total donations of \$1,139,845 with 21 new funds established, doubling of the Community Appeal giving and a 9.4% increase in scholarships awarded. The next WCTC Foundation Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2022.

V. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. Minutes dated July 11, 2022 (Annual Organizational and Regular Board Meetings)
 - B. Accounts Payable Summaries for July 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2022
 - C. 38.14 Contract Report for July 2022
 - D. Approval of Hire Term Report
 - E. International Travel Reports – Tri-Country Seminar and Interior Design and Architecture
- Mr. Michael Wiebe motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items; receiving a second from Ms. Stephanie Borowski. **Approved; carried unanimously.**

VI. Action Items

A. Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$3,800,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022B – Jane Kittel

- Dr. Kittel stated the note went out for sale this morning with a total of 5 bids received. Dr. Kittel then introduced Ms. Lisa Voisin, Managing Director, Robert W. Baird & Co. Ms. Voisin reported that the low rate of 1.9629%, by Fidelity Capital Markets for a 5-year note was accepted. She noted that the low rates can be attributed to the Colleges Aaa Moody rating.

Mr. Joe Garza motioned to approve the Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$3,800,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022B; receiving a second from Mr. Brian Baumgartner. **Approved; carried unanimously.**

VII. Presentation/Discussion

A. eSports – Jon Koch

- Mr. Koch provided the Board with an overview of what eSports (electronic sports) is and the importance of having this program on the WCTC campus.

B. eSports Lab in SEC – Rich Haen

- Mr. Haen presented on the proposed construction of an eSports Lab in the Student Enrichment Center (SEC), located in the B Building. Estimated construction cost is \$280,000.

C. Fire Training Phase 1 Site Development & Foundation – Rich Haen

- Mr. Haen discussed the proposed Fire Training Phase 1 Site Development & Foundation at an estimated construction cost of \$516,560.

D. Student Life, Renovate C-123 – Rich Haen

- Mr. Haen presented on the proposed Student Life, C-123 renovations at an estimated cost of \$217,000.

VIII. Mr. Wiebe motioned to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Section §19.85(f) and (g) Wisconsin State Statutes at 6:02 pm:

- Mr. Ryan Clark seconded the motion

A. Unanimous roll call vote

B. Discussion was held regarding Board Complaint and Investigation Demand and Related Appeal Update.

C. Mr. Wiebe motioned to reconvene in open session; receiving a second from Ms. Borowski.

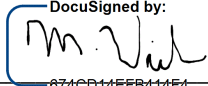
D. Unanimous roll call vote

E. The open meeting was reconvened at 6:16 pm.

IX. Adjournment – Courtney Bauer

- Mr. Garza motioned to adjourn the meeting, receiving a second from Mr. Baumgartner. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Kristan Gochenauer
Assistant to the Board

Signed:  _____
Michael Wiebe, Board Secretary/Treasurer