

**Waukesha County Area Technical College
District Board Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2023 – 5:00 PM
Richard T. Anderson Education Center, C051/057**

Present:

Courtney Bauer, Board Chairperson
Joe Garza, Board Vice Chairperson
Brian Baumgartner, Board Member
Thomas Michalski, Board Member (virtual)
Stephanie Reisner, Board Member
Lois Vasquez, Board Member
Jim Zaiser, Board Member

Absent

Ryan Clark, Board Member

Also Present:

Richard Barnhouse

19 Guests

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

A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public/Staff Remarks*

- A. Ms. Rebecca Fredericks thanked the Board for approving the stipend for faculty and staff.
B. Mr. Mike Shiels thanked the Board for approving the stipend for faculty and staff.

III. Delegates to be Heard

A. Student Government Association – Gabby Karaban

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

- Dr. Barnhouse welcomed everyone to the February WCTC District Board meeting.
- He reported on the recent visit to Madison to attend the DBA Winter Meeting and
- Legislative Session along with Board members Courtney Bauer and Stephanie Reisner, along with Andy Palen.
 - DBA looking to increase their membership fees by eight percent
- Dr. Barnhouse shared that the response to the stipend was overwhelmingly positive with an outpouring of cards and emails.
- He recently attended a WCBA Advisory Board meeting tasked with doing an under study on housing; presented at the January Waukesha Sunrise Rotary; attended the Key Industry Event at Generac and participated in a VIP Roundtable event that followed.
 - Automation and intelligence – how do we make our systems intelligent and automated.
 - Received an award for 39 years with the rotary – WCTC is one of the oldest members
- Dr. Barnhouse recently watched a documentary at New Berlin School District and thanked Board member Joe Garza for the invitation.
- Recently had meetings with Representative Dave Maxey, Representative Cindi Duchow and Representative Scott Allen. Lakeland University was on campus to discuss a partnership and met with UW-M to discuss continued partnerships.
- Dr. Barnhouse noted that the College budget process is now underway and reiterated to the Board not to expect tuition relief at this time.
 - Tuition is set by the Board at the WTCS level and the local Colleges do

not set tuition dollars. This point in time, unlikely the tuition would meet the demands of where we are in this inflation environment.

V. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. Minutes dated January 10, 2023 (Regular Board Meetings)
- B. Accounts Payable Summaries for January 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2023
- C. 38.14 Contract Report for January 2023
- D. Approval to Hire Term Report
- E. Board Monitoring Data: 2022/2023 Second Quarter Financial Summary
- J. Garza motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items; receiving a second from B. Baumgartner. Approved; carried unanimously.

VI. Action Items

A. FY23 Budget Amendment for the January Stipend – Kristine Golz

- Ms. Golz reviewed the FY23 budget amendment. She then recommended approval.

B. Baumgartner motioned to approve the Resolution to Modify the 2022/23 Budget; receiving a second from J. Zaiser. Approved; carried unanimously.

B. V-Building Addition – Rich Haen

- Mr. Haen provided an overview of the V-Building addition. He then recommended approval.

B. Baumgartner motioned to approve the Resolution; receiving a second from T. Michalski. Approved; carried unanimously.

C. Nomination and Election of Board Secretary/Treasurer – Courtney Bauer

- Vice Chairperson J. Garza reported that it is necessary to fill the current Board Secretary/Treasurer vacancy. C. Bauer then nominated Mr. Brian Baumgartner and asked if there were other nominations. Hearing none, she recommended that Mr. Brian Baumgartner be elected Board Secretary/Treasurer.

J. Garza motioned to approve Mr. Brian Baumgartner as Board Secretary/Treasurer; receiving a second from L. Vasquez. Roll Call Vote. Approved; carried unanimously.

D. Nomination and Vote for District Board Association (DBA) Board of Directors Vacancy and DBA At Large Officer Position – Courtney Bauer

- Chairperson Bauer shared that with the recent resignation of a Board member, WCTC does not have representation on the DBA Board of Directors. She then nominated Ms. Lois Vasquez to represent WCTC and asked if there were other nominations. Hearing none, she recommended that Ms. Lois Vasquez represent WCTC on the DBA Board of Directors. Chairperson Bauer reported that Ms. Vasquez shared her interest in running for the DBA At Large Officer Position and that she fully supports this.

C. Bauer motioned to approve Ms. Lois Vasquez representing WCTC on the DBA Board of Directors; receiving a second from B. Baumgartner. Roll Call Vote. Approved; carried unanimously.

VII. Presentation/Discussion

B. Graduate Success Ends Monitoring Report – Sydney Tylke and Viktor Brenner

- Ms. Tylke reviewed the Graduate Success Ends Monitoring Report with the Board.

VIII. Adjournment – Courtney Bauer

- J. Garza motioned to adjourn the meeting, receiving a second from B. Baumgartner. Meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Jennifer Thomas
Executive Assistant

Signed: 
Brian Baumgartner, Secretary/Treasurer