# MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Campus

March 20, 2023

#### A. CALL TO ORDER – Richard Merdan

The meeting was called to order at 5:19 p.m.

#### B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Betty Bruski Mallek, Justin Feltz, Richard Merdan, Gordon Schalow, Charles Spargo (via

Teams), Terry Whitmore and Dr. Shelly Mondeik (via Teams)

EXCUSED: Lynneia Miller and Are Vang

OTHERS: Michael Anderson, Greg Bruckbauer, Dr. Karen Brzezinski, Bob Cummings, Dr. Bobbi

Damrow, Mihai Dumitrescu-Mihaly, Travis Gansch, Kevin Hamm, Logan Hamman, Craig Herzberg, Shelly Higgins, Dr. Mandy Lang, Filip Lelis, Shane Neumann, Brad Russell,

Chris Slaby, Dr. Deb Stencil, Angie Susa, and Ryan Ulbrich

# C. OPEN MEETING CERTIFICATION - Richard Merdan

The meeting notice was verified; stating that this meeting of the Mid-State Technical College District Board was announced to the public in an attempt to keep the citizens of the district aware of the date, time and place of the meeting.

#### **D. OPEN FORUM** – Richard Merdan

The meeting was opened for comments from the audience. No one wished to address the Board.

#### E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Whitmore, seconded by Mr. Spargo, upon a voice vote, approved minutes from the board meeting held February 20, 2023 as presented.

#### F. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ms. Bruski Mallek, seconded by Mr. Schalow, upon a roll call vote (Schalow - Yes, Spargo - Yes, Whitmore - Yes, Bruski Mallek - Yes, Feltz - Yes, Merdan - Yes), approved the following consent agenda items:

- 1. The district's bills for the month of February 2023 were presented in Exhibit B. These bills totaled \$1,178,624.33 of which \$1,084,270.70 represents operational expenditures and \$94,353.63 represents capital expenditures. The district's payroll for the month of February totaled \$1,490,712 plus \$18,643.39 for travel and miscellaneous reimbursements and \$633,504.51 in fringe benefits. The district's bills and payroll totaled \$3,321,484.23.
- 2. Entered into the following contracted service agreements:

Agreement #	Contracted Service:	<u>Amount</u>
146917	4-H Project Discovery Day	\$ 320.00
146918	Career Exploration - Foster Day	\$ 699.00
146919	Heartsaver First Aid/CPR	\$ 640.00
146920	Phlebotomy Confirmatory Draw Initial	\$ 12,500.00
146921	Conflict Management	\$ 545.00
146922	Emergency Services Training	\$5,500.00
146923	BLS-Basic Life Support Provider	\$ 640.00
146924	Confined Space Rescue	\$ 1,200.00
146925	Heartsaver CPR AED	\$ 900.00
146926	Heartsaver First Aid/CPR	\$ 6,150.00

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3. Approved the following procurement(s) for goods and services:

Amount Company College Division/Dept.

No procurements to approve at this time.

## G. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT - Richard Merdan

- 1. Ms. Miller and Ms. Vang asked to be excused. Effective February 21, Kristin Crass announced her resignation from the Mid-State Board. Appreciation was expressed for the many positive contributions and years of service Ms. Crass committed to Mid-State.
- 2. The Spring Boards Association meeting will be held April 20-22 at Gateway Technical College in Kenosha. Ms. Bruski Mallek, Mr. Merdan and Mr. Spargo plan to attend. Anyone interested in attending should contact Ms. Susa to make arrangements.
- 3. ACCT Leadership Congress will be held October 9-12 in Nevada. Theme is "Building a Legacy Uplifting Students and Transforming Communities". Anyone interested in attending should contact Ms. Susa to make arrangements.
- 5. Discussion was held around a Spring Board Advance. The Board will host an Advance later in the year when vacant positions are filled.
- 4. Future meeting dates (times unless otherwise announced:

MONTHLY MEETING Monday, April 17, 2023 Adams Campus Committee-of-the-Whole: 5:00 p.m. Board Meeting: Following Committee-of-the-Whole

MONTHLY MEETING Monday, May 15, 2023 Wisconsin Rapids Campus Committee-of-the-Whole: 5:00 p.m.

Board Meeting: Following Committee-of-the-Whole

## H. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Richard Merdan provided on Dr. Mondeik's behalf

- Campus activities since the February Board meeting were highlighted. Activities included hosting the Regional DWD Winning with Wisconsin event, Spring Program Showcase, and annual Ag Farm Tour.
- Position changes were also highlighted, including transition of Mid-State's Executive Dean Dr. Chris Severson to Vice President of Academics and Micki Dirks-Luebbe acting as Interim Director of Mid-State Foundation.
- 3. The WTCS Board met last week along with the Presidents Association. The WTCS Board approved a 1.9% tuition increase and WTCS grants for next year. The Presidents Association meeting consisted of committee and special assignment updates.

#### I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- FINANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE Gordon Schalow
  - a. TREASURER'S REPORT: Following discussion, no questions or concerns were presented.
  - b. FY24 CAPITAL BUDGET: The Committee met earlier in the day for a special meeting to review and discuss the capital budget. A tentative financing plan was presented. A Special Meeting to review the proposed Operational Budget will be held May 3 at 3:00 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Spargo, seconded by Ms. Bruski Mallek, upon a roll call vote (Spargo - Yes, Whitmore - Yes, Bruski Mallek - Yes, Feltz - Yes, Schalow - Yes, Merdan - Yes), approved the FY24 capital budget as presented.

- c. FINANCE IMPLICATIONS FOR TOPICS IN OTHER COMMITTEES: No topics discussed.
- 2. ACADEMIC & STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE In place of Are Vang, Betty Bruski Mallek
  - a. ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING: Committee reviewed details surrounding requests by administration to make changes to academic programming.

Farm Business & Production management Technical Diploma – no students currently in program; program option has been added to support industry through continuing education; Advisory Committee supports discontinuance.

Motion by Ms. Bruski Mallek, seconded by Mr. Whitmore, upon a roll call vote (Whitmore - Yes, Bruski Mallek - Yes, Feltz - Yes, Schalow - Yes, Spargo - Yes, Merdan - Yes,), approved suspension of the Farm Business & Production management Technical Diploma Program.

Dental Assistant Technical Diploma – need has been demonstrated through employer surveys; a cohort based program will be offered at a business partner facility in Marshfield; eight full-time students will complete the program is six months, with two cohorts planned each year.

Motion by Ms. Bruski Mallek, seconded by Mr. Schalow, upon a roll call vote (Bruski Mallek – Yes, Feltz – Yes, Schalow – Yes, Spargo – Yes, Whitmore – Yes, Merdan – Yes), granted concept approval of the Dental Assistant Technical Diploma program.

b. STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE: Each Technical College District Board sets the percentage of tuition designated as Student Activity Fee. As discussed last month, an increase was recommended by Mid-State's Student Leadership Board as well as Administration.

Motion by Ms. Bruski Mallek, seconded by Mr. Whitmore, upon a roll call vote (Feltz - Yes, Schalow - Yes, Spargo - Yes, Whitmore - Yes, Bruski Mallek - Yes, and Merdan - Yes)approved a 6.5% increase in FY24 (70 cents) and a 7% increase in FY25 (73 cents).

- c. WINTERIM REPORT: A recap of Winterim was provided. Student head count increased over last year and course completion was up. 57 classes were held.
- HUMAN RESOURCES & EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE Richard Merdan
  - a. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Work on Mid-State's five year plan was highlighted. An overview of population statistics was also shared.
  - b. MID-STATE AWARDS: Mid-State will implement "The Gritty's" a new employee recognition award presentation. Award categories were highlighted. Nominations will be solicited in April.
  - c. MARCH 17 LEGISLATIVE EVENT: Mid-State partnered with the Heart of Wisconsin Chamber for the Legislative Event. Senator Patrick Testin, Representative Nancy VanderMeer and Representative Scot Krug met with Mid-State personnel to discuss legislative priorities.

## J. COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE - Richard Merdan

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1. AMETA UPDATE: An update was provided on Mid-State's AMETA project. Summary included project progression, equipment needs, funding and timeline.

# K. DISCUSSION & ACTION

1. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT INTRODUCTIONS: Brad Russell, Vice President of Information Technology, provided introduction of the Information Technology (IT) team and offered an overview of the role and function of each area within IT.

# L. ADJOURNMENT - Richard Merdan

There being no further action or business of the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m. with a motion by Mr. Schalow, seconded by Mr. Feltz, upon a voice vote.

Lynneia Miller, Secretary	Angela R. Susa	
Mid-State Technical College Board	Recording Secretary	