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March 19, 2025



5-7 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

District Board Members Present: Eric Thornton, Chairperson; Barbara Barrington-Tillman, Vice-Chairperson; Rich Deprez, Secretary; Kathy Sukus, Treasurer; Rachel Andres; Suzann Holland; Mark Holzman; and Dave Marshick.

District Board Members Absent: Rob Hendrickson.

Staff: Julie Barreau, Kathy Broske, Cassie Hartje, Tony Landowski, Jim Nemeth, Liz Paulsen, Dr. Tracy Pierner, Dr. Karen Schmitt, Dr. Jon Tysse.

Student Representative: Rebecca Barnett.

Guests: None.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Thornton called the Blackhawk Technical College District Board meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and called for Public Comments. There were none.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Chairperson Thornton called for Special Reports.

- a. Rebecca Barnett shared the student activity report with the District Board members.
- b. Dr. Karen Schmitt reviewed the Program Review Executive Summary with the District Board members.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson Thornton called for the Consent Agenda. Mr. Holzman moved, and Ms. Andres seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items a-c. **Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. The motion carried.**

- a. Draft February 19, 2025, District Board Meeting Minutes.
- b. Current Bills for February 28, 2025, include starting check #00303862 and ending check #00304736, totaling \$3,688,868.06 for the month.
- c. Training Contracts: The number served is 39 for an actual contract amount of \$54,391.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Chairperson Thornton called for Committee Reports. There were none.

ACTION ITEMS

Chairperson Thornton called for Action Items.

a. It was moved by Ms. Barrington-Tillman and seconded by Ms. Sukus to approve the naming of the Dental Lab in honor of the Dickinson Family. **Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0.**The motion carried.



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b. It was moved by Ms. Sukus and seconded by Mr. Marshick to approve the Lower-Level Classroom Remodel contingent upon Wisconsin Technical College System Board (WTCSB) approval and to request WTCSB approval of the remodel.

The roll was called. The following members voted: Ms. Andres, yes; Ms. Barrington-Tillman, yes; Mr. Deprez, yes; Ms. Holland, yes; Mr. Holzman, yes; Mr. Marshick, yes; Ms. Sukus, yes; and Mr. Thornton, yes. **Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. Motion Carried.**

c. It was moved by Ms. Andres and seconded by Ms. Holland to approve the Audit Services Equipment to WIPFLI, Eau Claire. **Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. The motion carried.**

POLICY REVIEW

Chairperson Thornton called for Policy Review.

a. It was moved by Ms. Andres and seconded by Ms. Sukus to approve policy E-210 –
Public Records Law (Public's Right to Know). Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. The motion
carried.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Chairperson Thornton called for Information/Discussion Items.

- a. Jim Nemeth reviewed the February Financial Statement with the District Board members.
- b. Dr. Tracy Pierner presented his monthly report to the District Board members.
- c. Kathy Broske reviewed the compensation update with the District Board members.
- d. Staff Changes, consisting of new hires, new positions, resignations, and retirements, were reviewed.

WTCS CONSORTIUM UPDATES

Chairperson Thornton called for WTCS Consortium updates.

Dr. Tracy Pierner updated the District Board members on the Marketing consortium.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chairperson Thornton called for Future Agenda items. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Andres moved and was seconded by Ms. Sukus to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. **Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0**. **The motion was carried.**

Rich Deprez,

Secretary