

GATEWAY TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD
Regular Meeting, September 21, 2023

The Gateway Technical College District Board met virtually and in person at the Kenosha Campus, Madrigano Board Room, 3520 30th Ave, Kenosha, WI on Thursday, September 21, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Rebecca Matoska-Mentink, Chairperson.

Open Meeting Compliance

K. Bartlett confirmed the meeting was duly noticed in accordance with state statutes for open meeting compliance.

Roll Call

Present: Ram Bhatia, Benjamin DeSmidt, William Duncan (virtual), Nicole Oberlin – Student Trustee, Scott Pierce, Jason Tadlock, Pamela Zenner-Richards and Rebecca Matoska-Mentink

Excused: Jesse Adams and Zaida Lange-Irison

Also in attendance were President Ritu Raju, Recorder Kelly Bartlett, Administrative Assistant Liz Allen and 41 virtual and 15 in person citizens/reporters.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by R. Bhatia and carried to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2023 Regular Meeting, August 4, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting, August 7, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting, August 10, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting, August 21, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting and August 30, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Chairperson's Report - Board Evaluation Summary: 6 of 8 Attending Trustees Responded to the Survey including the Student Trustee. Comments included: Meeting was efficient and well run. In reference to the Dashboard report enrollment data, great presentations on registration drive, fast track, and the registration triage. Good meeting.

Chairperson's Report – Ad Hoc Committee Update – W. Duncan gave an update on the committee. W. Duncan motioned, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards to move Action Agenda Item 1 to follow the closed session.

Chairperson's Report - Review Wording of Policy 1.12 Board Planning and Agenda: The Trustees reviewed the wording of the policy. Following the discussion, it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by R. Bhatia and carried to approve the wording of 1.12 Board Committees.

Board Member Community Reports

R. Bhatia attended the WTCS Board meeting at iMET Center this month.

President's Report - Announcements

WTCS Board Meeting was a success and received great feedback. At the dinner, the Futuremaker Award was presented to Precision Plus.

President's Report – Dashboard

The dashboard report included updates on the start of the fall semester and the WTCS Board meeting.

President's Report – Campus Welcome

Teresa LaMacchia welcomed the Trustees to the Kenosha Campus and introduced Ali Schultz from Horticulture for a brief update.

Student Trustee Report

Nicole Oberlin gave an update on student activities that have been taking place over the past month.

Operational Agenda - Action Agenda

Approve the President's Evaluation Tool

The Trustees agreed to move the approval of the President's Evaluation Tool following the Closed Session.

Operational Agenda - Action Agenda

Resolution No. F-2023-2024B.2 – Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2023-2024B

The administration is recommending approval of a resolution awarding the sale of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series F-2023-2024B; in the principal amount of \$1,500,000 for the public purpose of financing building remodeling and improvement projects. The actual sale will take place at the Board meeting. This debt issue is included in the Board approved 2023-24 budget. Upon approval, appropriate legal notices will be published in the official district newspapers.

Following discussion, it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried by roll call vote to approve Resolution No. F-2023-2024B.2 – Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2023-2024B of Gateway Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Aye: 7

No: 0

Abstaining: 0

Absent: 2

Operational Agenda - Action Agenda

Resolution No. F-2023-2024C.1 - Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2023-2024C

The administration is recommending approval to issue General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series F-2023-2024C; in the principal amount of \$1,500,000 for the public purpose of financing building remodeling and improvement projects. This borrowing is included in the 2023-24 budget. Upon approval, appropriate legal notices will be published in the official district newspapers.

Following discussion, it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried to approve Resolution Numbers F-2023-2024C.1 - Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2023-2024C of Gateway Technical College District, Wisconsin.

Operational Agenda - Action Agenda

Resolution Numbers B-2023 G.1 & G.2 – Approval of Project for the Health Careers and Science Lab Remodel Project, North Building, Elkhorn Campus.

The administration is recommending approval by the Gateway Technical College District Board of Resolution Numbers B-2023 G.1 and G.2 for the Health Careers and Science Lab Remodel Project, North Building, Elkhorn

Campus. The administration also recommends approval from the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board for the Health Careers and Science Lab Remodel Project, North Building, Elkhorn Campus.

Following discussion, it was moved by R. Bhatia, seconded by S. Pierce and carried to Resolution Numbers B-2023 G.1 & G.2 – Approval of Project for the Health Careers and Science Lab Remodel Project, North Building, Elkhorn Campus.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried that the following items in the consent agenda be approved:

Finance:

Summary of Revenue and Expenditures: Approved the summary of revenue and expenditures as of August 31, 2023.

Cash and Investment Schedules: Approved the monthly cash reconciliation, investment schedule and investment report.

Personnel Report for August: Approved the personnel report of five (5) new hires, (1) promotion, two (2) transfers, two (2) retirements, nine (9) separations and no employment approvals-adjunct faculty.

Grant Awards: Approved the grant awards for September 2023.

BWS Contracts for Instructional Delivery: Approved the contracts for instructional delivery report for September 2023.

Protective Services Contracts for Instructional Delivery: Approved the contracts for instructional delivery report for September 2023.

High School Contracts for Instructional Delivery: Approved the contracts for instructional delivery report for September 2023.

Advisory Committee Activity Report: Approved the advisory committee meeting schedule and new members as of September 1, 2023.

Policy Governance Monitoring Reports - Ends Policy Monitoring

College Ends Policy - The tri-county community benefits from affordable higher education that allows residents to develop knowledge and skills for family-supporting careers that contribute to the growth and sustainability of the local economy at a cost commensurate with the value of services provided.

Statement #5 Educational partners, locally, nationally, and internationally, connect their students to Gateway's well-developed career pathways courses, facilities, and educational resources.

Katie Graf, Samantha Dyczak and Alex DeBaker led a presentation on ends policy, statement #5.

Following discussion, it was moved by R. Bhatia, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried that this report is evidence that the college is making progress on Ends Policy, Statement #5.

Policy Governance Monitoring Reports – Ends Policy 4.1 Statement 5

Following discussion, it was moved by B. DeSmidt, seconded by S. Pierce and carried to approve the wording of Ends Policy, Statement #5.

Policy Governance Monitoring Reports – Executive Limitations, 3.5 Financial Condition

Sharon Johnson led a presentation on 3.5 Financial Condition. Following discussion, it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by P. Zenner-Richards and carried that this report is evidence that the college is making progress on 3.5 Financial Condition.

Next Meeting Date and Adjourn

Regular Meeting - Thursday, October 19, 2023, 8:00 am, Virtual and In-Person, Elkhorn Campus, Room 112/114. At approximately 10:32 am it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by R. Bhatia and carried by roll call vote that the meeting was adjourned and the Gateway Technical College District Board moved to executive closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss the President's evaluation. The Board reserves the right to reconvene in open session to take action on items discussed in executive session.

Aye: 7

Nay: 0

Abstaining: 0

Absent: 2

Executive Closed Session

At approximately 11:20 am, the Board reconvened in Open Session. It was moved by B. Duncan, seconded by S. Pierce to approve Action Item #1 Approve the President's Evaluation Tool, Part 1. At 11:24 am it was moved by S. Pierce, seconded by B. DeSmidt and carried by roll call vote that the meeting was adjourned.

Aye: 7

Nay: 0

Abstaining: 0

Absent: 2

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. DeSmidt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Benjamin DeSmidt, Secretary
Gateway Technical College Board of Trustees