

MORAINE PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

September 15, 2021

ATTENDANCE

A meeting of the Moraine Park Technical College District Board was called to order at 5:05 p.m., September 15, 2021, in Room 1100 of Moraine Park Technical College's Ripon Regional Center, 850 Tiger Drive, Ripon, Wisconsin, Chairperson Mike Schwab presiding. Board members present at the meeting were Renee Almeida, Bur Zeratsky, Steve Hill, Vernon Jung, Tom Hopp, Candy Fields, and Kathy Schlieve. Board member Rob Johnson was excused.

MEETING NOTICE

Notice of the meeting was sent to the District's official newspapers (the Beaver Dam Daily Citizen, the West Bend Daily News, and the Fond du Lac Reporter) as well as to other media in compliance with Wis. Stat. sec. 19.81 through 19.98.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public was provided with an opportunity to comment to the Board. No comments from the public were received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION Fields, second Schlieve, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board approve the August 18, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. Motion CARRIED.

CONSENT ITEMS – MONTHLY BUSINESS

MOTION Jung, second Schlieve, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board approve the following presidential parameter consent items as presented:

1. Talent Management – Employment;
2. Financial Management – Accounting/Investments;
3. Economic Development Contracting;

and that the bills for the month of August be approved and payments are authorized, ordered, and confirmed. August receipts total \$11,328,648.04. August disbursements total -\$5,116,337.19. Roll call vote: Zeratsky, yes; Schlieve, yes; Hopp, yes; Almeida, yes; Johnson, excused; Jung, yes; Hill, yes; Fields, yes; and Schwab, yes. Motion CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF LEASE – AGNESIAN HEALTHCARE, INC. (TREFFERT CENTER)

MOTION Zeratsky, second Hopp, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board enter into a lease agreement with Agnesian Healthcare, Inc., substantially as described above, for a five-year period beginning from the date of execution. Vote: Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. Motion CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF CONCEPT REVIEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL – ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

MOTION Hopp, second Schlieve, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board approve the Concept Review Program Proposal for Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degree programs, and authorize staff to submit the proposal to the Wisconsin Technical College System Board for approval and to continue with the Program Implementation phase of the Program Development Process, effective for the 2022-2023 academic year. Roll call vote: Zeratsky, yes; Schlieve, yes; Hopp, yes; Almeida, yes; Johnson, excused; Jung, yes; Hill, yes; Fields, yes; and Schwab, yes. Motion CARRIED.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT – SMALL BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Associate Dean of Business and IT, the Business Management Instructor, and a recent MPTC Graduate provided a highlighted summary of the Small Business Entrepreneurship program. Information only; no Board action required.

RIPON COMMUNITY UPDATE

The Economic and Workforce Development Community Coordinator provided an update on the MPTC Ripon Regional Center and community highlighting recent area news, program opportunities, regional enrollments, and accomplishments over the past year. Information only; no Board action required.

FALL ENROLLMENT REPORT

The Vice President of Student Services provided an update on fall enrollments, citing projected estimates, current trends and areas of concern. Information only; no Board action required.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Baerwald provided highlights of meetings recently attended, including meetings with Dr. Fleig from Fond du Lac High School focusing on potential partnerships, recent meeting with Mercury Marine leadership regarding proposed AIR Center and feasibility study results, continuing Kriekamp Trucking partnership meetings, and shared progress on the Capital Expansion Visioning project and related subcommittees. Legislative update included noting President Biden's vaccine and testing mandate for businesses, and interest from Senator Baldwin's office to discuss financial earmark requests. WTCS Update included recent state board meeting which approved Moraine Park's Truck Driving program concept and Diagnostic Medical Stenography program, and it was noted that Moraine Park will be hosting the state board in September of 2023. College activities update included the official start of the fall semester, loss of healthcare enrollments due to vaccine mandates from partnered clinical sites, continuing progress on updated policies and procedures, and recommendation from HLC for Department of Corrections locations for formal site approval. Information only; no Board action required.

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DISTRICT BOARDS ASSOCIATION REPORT/UPCOMING EVENTS

It was noted that the upcoming fall District Boards Association meeting planned for October 27-30 is being converted to a virtual format with more information forthcoming within the next week. A summary of other upcoming meetings and events was shared. Anyone wishing to register for upcoming events should contact the President's Office. Information only; no Board action required.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION Zeratsky, second Fields, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the College who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation in which the College is or is likely to become involved (during the closed session, the Board will discuss pending complaints filed with and against the College). Roll call vote: Zeratsky, yes; Schlieve, yes; Hopp, yes; Almeida, yes; Johnson, excused; Jung, yes; Hill, yes; Fields, yes; and Schwab, yes. Motion CARRIED.

The Board reconvened into open session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Zeratsky, second Hopp, that the Moraine Park Technical College District Board meeting be adjourned. Vote: Ayes: 8; Opposed: 0. Motion CARRIED.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.