A meeting of the Madison Area Technical College District Board was held on September 3, 2025, a hybrid format. Members of the public were given an opportunity to attend in person or virtually through a phone line published as part of the notice.

Board members present: Shiva Bidar-Sielaff (Chair), Donald Dantzler (Vice-Chair), Melanie Lichtfeld (Secretary), Daniel Bullock (Treasurer), Shana Lewis, Ann McNeary, Tonya Olson, and Korbey White.

Also present: Jon Anderson, Legal Counsel; Jennifer Berne, President; Tim Casper, executive Vice-President, Student Affairs; Beth Giles, Provost; Damira Grady, Vice-President, Community Impact and Culture; Sylvia Ramirez, Executive Vice-President, Finance & Administration; and Mark Thomas, Executive Vice-President, Policy and Strategy.

Others present: Tina Ahedo, Vice-President, Student Success Pathway; Jessica Cioci, Dean School, of Human and Protective Services; Luis Godinez, Full-Time Faculty, Education; Laurie Grigg, Chief Financial Officer/Controller; Hasan Hashmi, Board Student Liaison; Jose Luna, Associate Dean, School of Academic Advancement; Anita Mazvimavi, Administrative Assistant to the President; Emily Pink, Program Director, Early Childhood Education; Jose Villarreal, Student Senate President; and Kristin Rolling, Recording Secretary.

#### Call to Order I

The meeting was duly noticed and called to order at 5:38 p.m. by Ms. Bidar Sielaff. Mr. Anderson confirmed that appropriate notices had been given and the meeting was being held in compliance with the open meetings law.

#### Routine Business Matters II

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes** II A

There was a motion by Mr. Dantzler, seconded by Ms. McNeary, to approve the meeting minutes of August 6, 2025, as submitted. Motion carried.

#### Public Comments II B

There were no public comments.

#### New Business III

#### **Communications** III A

#### **Board Chair's Report** III A 1

#### Future Meeting & Event Schedule III A 1 a

Ms. Bidar-Sielaff reminded trustees of upcoming meetings and events.

## Student Liaison Report III A 2

Mr. Hashmi reported that WolfPack Welcome events have provided new students with valuable information as they begin their semester. Students are accessing services through the new Student Services area including counseling, advising and financial aid. There will be a B-Cycle promotion this semester, offering students a discount on the service. He will continue to share success and challenges to the Board as the year continues.

### **Student Senate Report** III A 3

Mr. Villarreal reported that the Student Senate will pursue a robust regional outreach effort this academic year. The Student Senate Executive team is fully staffed.

## College/Campus Announcements III A 4

Dr. Giles welcomed new faculty. The new Construction and Remodeling spaces are now being used by those program students. She invited Trustees to an open house on September 19, for the new Dental Lab. Surgical Technology interns recently participated in a media event and signing ceremony.

Dr. Casper provided an enrollment update, including information about enrollment rates and trends for students of color, male and female students, age groups.

Dr. Ramirez reported that September is Student Parent Month and this is the third year that Madison College has recognized the month. There will be several engagements and outreach to student parents through the month.

Dr. Grady reported that Madison College and the City of Madison Common Council collaborated for an event for From Council to Community event this evening in the Truax Gallery. The event brings elected officials to Truax and gives students an opportunity to engage in conversation with them.

Dr. Thomas reported that the college continues to share information with elected officials about the impact of budget and policy decisions, including immigrant worker training programs, childcare programs for low-income students, adult basic education programs, and Perkins and Pell funding.

#### President's Report III A 5

Dr. Berne thanked Dr. Casper and the student services team for their work in assisting students with term start. She also thanked Dr. Giles and academic affairs for adding last-minute class sections to meet emerging student needs. She recognized Ali and Jen Zarrinnam, who are retiring, for their contributions to Madison College.

Dr. Berne shared that Madison College will bring a focus to student completion, addressing metrics of early momentum, completing college level English and math in the first year, and encouraging engagement in activities that help a student remain active.

# Monitoring Report - Vision 20230 Commitment 3 III A 5 a

Dr. Berne introduced Ms. Ahedo, Ms. Cioci, Ms. Pink, Mr. Godinez, and Mr. Luna to provide a report related Commitment 3. They shared ways the college is meeting the need a a growing Spanish-speaking student population, including a partnership with Centro Hispano to

provide CNA programming, and the implementation of Early Childhood Education classes and credentials offered in Spanish.

## Action Items III B

# Capital Projects Borrowing III B 1

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$5,000,000

General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2025-26D III B 1 a and Resolution Establishing the Parameters For the Sale of Not to Exceed \$5,000,000 General Obligation Promissory

Notes, Series 2025-26D III B 1 b

Ms. Grigg reported that the attached resolution is the authorization to begin the borrowing process and totals \$5,000,000, including \$1,500,000 for building remodel and improvements, and \$3,500,000 for the cost of acquisition of movable equipment and technology. Once the borrowing is authorized, the resolution is published as public notice per Section 67.12(12)(e)5 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Bids are then received. The second resolution is the issuance of the notes is for the public purpose of the acquisition of movable equipment and technology costing \$5,000 or more per unit or set (\$3,500,000), and for the purpose of paying the cost of building remodeling and improvement projects (\$1,500,000). The resolution limits the delegation of authority by stating that the General Obligation Promissory Notes may not be issued unless the True Interest Cost is equal to or less than 5.00%.

There was a motion by Mr. Dantzler, seconded by Ms. McNeary, to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$5,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2025-26D; and to adopt the Resolution Establishing Parameters for the Sale of Not to Exceed \$5,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2025-26D. Motion carried.

## Consent Agenda III B 2

Approval of proposed study abroad portfolio for 2025-2026 III B 2 a

General fund monthly financial report as of July 31, 2025 III B 2 b

Request for proposals/request for bids/sole sources III B 2 c

38.14 contracts for services July 2025 III B 2 d

Supplier payments greater than or equal to \$2,500 and schedule of checks issued for the period July 16, 2025 through August 15, 2025  $^{\rm III~B~2~e}$ 

Employment of personnel III B 2 f

Resignations and separations III B 2 g

Retirements III B 2 h

There was a motion by Ms. Olson, seconded by Mr. Dantzler, to approve Consent Agenda items III.B.2.a. through h. Motion carried.

#### Adjournment V

There was a motion by Mr. White, seconded by Ms. McNeary, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.		
	Melanie Lichtfeld, Secretary	