

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 27, 2022**

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Chair Uhe asked Julie Lanxon to call the roll:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brad Ashby
Erin Feichtinger
Adam Gotschall
Steve Grabowski, Treasurer
Ron Hug, left at 7:20 p.m.
Phillip Klein
Linda McDermitt, Secretary
Maureen Monahan, Assistant Secretary
Angela Monegain
Zach Reinhardt, Vice Chair
Fred Uhe, Chair
Joe Baker, Ex Officio Faculty
Bre Hounsougbin, Ex Officio Student

Also Present: Randy Schmailzl, College President

Agenda Item 1d — Announcement of Posted Location of Open Meetings Act

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Chair reported that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act had been posted in the rear of the room.

Agenda Item 1e — Recording of Notice of Public Meeting

The Chair reported on the recording of the Notice of Public Meeting and stated the following:

1. *Proof of Publication, pursuant to Policy 10503 of the Board of Governors, in the form of an affidavit of an employee of the Omaha World-Herald, to the effect that notice of this meeting was published in that newspaper on September 16, 2022, and on the Omaha World-Herald website Omaha.com from September 16 - 22, 2022.*
2. *Affidavit of College employee Julie Lanxon, to the effect that a copy of the published Notice of Meeting was transmitted to each member of the Board of Governors in a manner specified by Policy 10503 of the Board of Governors.*

The notice of the meeting stated that an agenda for this meeting, kept continually current, was available for public inspection at the principal office of the Board of Governors, Building No. 30, 30th and Fort Streets, Omaha, Nebraska, by making prior arrangements by calling 531-622-2415.

Without objection, the Chair of the Board ordered that the affidavits be attached to the minutes of the meeting and made a part of the official proceedings of the Board of Governors.

Agenda Item 2 — Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Agenda Item 3 — Report Agenda

Agenda Items 3a — Ex Officio Board Members' Reports

Faculty Ex Officio Representative Report

There was no student ex officio representative report this month.

Faculty ex officio representative, Joe Baker, presented the emergency preparedness and situational awareness training MCC police are currently conducting for faculty and staff. This training is taught across the nation by law enforcement and is based on a flexible set of principles that may be adapted to any violent situation. The goal of this training is to spark a person's mental preparation of recognizing, assessing, and responding to threats against them. The training includes a classroom portion that addresses awareness, communication, and response strategies; a practical portion that is held in the facility where employees work; and a question/answer session. Baker talked about the things he learned about situational awareness and security features that already exist for instructors if there is a threat. He answered questions from Board members.

Agenda 3b — Chair of the Board's Report

Uhe provided an update on the Douglas County Joint Public Hearing he attended September 21, as required by law. MCC was mentioned in a positive light by two speakers. His observation is that Nebraska has an assessment education problem as people do not seem to understand how home valuations and taxes work. He told the Board they should be proud as they have done their best to hold the line on spending, and the perception is that MCC is not part of the problem.

Agenda 3c — Board Members' Reports

Hug mentioned the Hanscom Park gazebo burned down this week due to arson. He added this may be an MCC moment for architecture design and construction students to help with the reconstruction plans and/or rebuilding of the structure. Schmailzl stated MCC is always looking for community projects to do and asked whom he should contact. Hug recommended contacting Omaha Parks and Recreation Department.

Schmailzl said he will check with Nate Barry and report back to the Board with what happens.

McDermitt commended the staff on a wonderful GED ceremony held last week.

Gottschall asked what taxpayers thought the problems were at the Douglas County Joint Public Hearing. Uhe said valuations were the center of the discussion. Uhe noted the Chamber sent out a report today listing Nebraska as the eighth highest taxation state, adding government needs to shift from relying on property taxes for funding.

Grabowski echoed the GED ceremony accolades. He watched the tax hearing and agreed people do not understand the system or the postcards that announced the meeting. The public needs to be educated about the taxing system then they can speak more generally about a problem they may have. Gottschall added that he has spoken with community members about MCC's situation and with Senator Ben Hansen (introducer of the bill that led to the public hearings) about suggested law refinements.

Monahan agreed with the GED accolades. She represents foster care kids and appreciates that GED students have an opportunity to celebrate their hard work. She commended Schmailzl on a great job presenting at the tax hearing. She noted that there was little discussion at the hearing about available homestead tax exemptions and other tax credits, which has given her an opportunity to present the community college rebate program when speaking with community members.

Monegain noted that Douglas County is going through a state of flux and the upcoming election is important.

Agenda 3d — Presidents' Report

Schmailzl commented on the joint public hearing and thanked the Board and the College community for their hard work and the many positive things about MCC. MCC's tax base represents 43% of the state's population; MCC serves 36% of the state's community college students. He stated that MCC is frugal and does not have to overspend to serve everyone. He thanked the Board for being attentive and involved with the discussions.

The 2021-22 audit dates have been set for December, and the auditors should be ready to present at the January 2023 board meeting. We are close to being back on schedule after getting off due to the large amounts of federal funding received in the prior year.

Hank Robinson, Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness, shared that MCC is embarking upon a systems modernization process as the original student information system was installed in the early 1990s. There may be a need to replace the current UniData system, which goes up for contract renewal in July 2023. Modernizing the core infrastructure of MCC's IT system would also include business, finance, and human

resources functions, with the goal to have a single solution that will cover all bases effectively and efficiently, thereby future-proofing the College for the next 10-20 years.

Robinson stated the master plan proposals and interviews have been reviewed, scored, and ranked. The internal committee is currently conducting scope of work discussions with the two responding vendors to finalize a budget estimate. A recommendation will be brought to the board in October.

Schmailzl thanked Tammy Green, Director of Workforce and Career Skills, and her staff for making the GED graduation a great success. Green thanked board members for attending the GED graduation. She provided an update on the \$9 million Career Forward Grant that MCC was recently awarded through Nebraska's allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. A resolution approving participation in and acceptance of the grant funding appears later in the agenda. Green stressed that education is a pathway out of poverty for many students who tend to be among the working poor. The intent of Career Forward is to use education as a resource and tool to bridge people into careers and align their goals. Over the past few years, the Community and Workforce Education (CWE) team has fostered a strong network and system to support students as they complete their educational pathways. Green showed a pictorial of the model used for the Career Forward support systems that move a student from referral through education to training and placement. She provided a brief overview of the eight basic elements of the Career Forward Initiative, which are designed for both credit and non-credit students. Components of the Career Forward grant include workforce support grants that provide a \$16 per hour stipend for students, focused job training in high-wage/high-demand/high-skill fields, plus funding for tuition, fees, and supplies, as needed. This program also provides MCC an opportunity to expand business sponsorships. Navigators and career coaches provide support for credit and non-credit students. The Career Placement Program, which aligns workforce preparation with available jobs, is different from job fairs and yields an impressive 94% retention rate with high six-month post-program employment rates.

Gottschall asked how many students will be served. Green stated this grant is a four-year program that will serve 1000 students per year in credit and non-credit programs. Schmailzl added that this is the legislature's ARPA money which was allocated to community colleges. This project is 100% funded by ARPA funds and not college or taxpayer money. Feichtinger commented that this is a great use of ARPA funds. She added she appreciates Green's intentionality and focus on the mission. Uhe asked if there is a life skills component. Green said soft skills are incorporated through Work Ethic, a national curriculum that addresses the *why* behind behaviors, such as not showing up on time. Uhe said this program may be attractive to future donors and that breaking the cycle of poverty is part of MCC's mission. Feichtinger asked if there is a donation system. Green stated the program connects students with human service systems already established in the community.

Agenda 3e — Regular Reports

No comments. No questions were asked.

Agenda 3f — Report on Corrective Actions for 2020-21 Audit

Brenda Schumacher, College Business Officer, reviewed the four findings from the most recent audit and the action taken or planned for each one.

Agenda 3g — HLC Accreditation Update

Tom McDonnell, Vice President for academic affairs, reviewed the process and timeline for the upcoming Higher Learning Commission (HLC) reaccreditation site visit. The HLC site visit team has requested to meet with students, faculty, administration, community leaders, and board members (no more than five board members). The resulting action letter will be received in early 2023. Reinhardt thanked McDonnell for bringing this to the board. He asked if MCC has representatives serve as HLC reviewers. McDonnell noted that Dr. Cynthia Gooch-Grayson currently serves as a peer reviewer.

Agenda Item 4 – Budget Action Agenda Items

Agenda Item 4a – Consideration of Resolution Approving an Additional 1% Restricted Funds Authority and Carryforward to Future Years, Board Doc. 7896

***BE IT RESOLVED** that, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 13-519(2), the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area hereby authorizes and approves exceeding the limit set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 13-519(1)(a) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, by an additional one percent.*

***FURTHER RESOLVED** that the amount corresponding to said additional one percent shall be carried forward as unused restricted funds authority to be used in future budget years as determined by the Board of Governors in accordance with applicable law.*

***FURTHER RESOLVED** that the budget statement for the College Area for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, as finally adopted, shall incorporate and reflect all matters authorized and approved by this resolution. Prior to filing and certifying the adopted budget statement of the College Area, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board shall be authorized to make such adjustments to the adopted budget statement and take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to carry out the actions approved herein.*

Uhe explained this item is for the board of Governors to consider approving an additional 1% restricted funds authority and carryforward to future years.

Uhe called on Schmailzl to explain further. Schmailzl explained this resolution enables the College to secure additional budget authority, which would permit the College to grow beyond the current lid if future circumstances warrant. MCC's current restricted funds authority is \$22 million. All political subdivisions are allowed a 2.5% annual authority increase and may request an additional 1%; MCC is asking for an additional 1%, if needed. The resolution requires nine votes (supermajority) to pass.

Uhe called for a motion to approve the resolution.

MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve Agenda Item 4a; Gottschall seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call vote on Agenda Item 4a.

Feichtinger, yes
Gottschall, yes
Grabowski, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes

10 yes votes, 0 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4b – Consideration of Resolution Amending the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors’ Budget for 2022-23, Board Doc. 7897

BE IT RESOLVED, that in consideration of information that has become available since the budget was first prepared, the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby amend the proposed MCCA Board of Governors' Budget Statement for 2022-23 as follows:

	Proposed Budget	Amended Proposed Budget	Difference Increase/ (Decrease)
<u>General Fund Revenue</u>			
State Aid Allocation	30,446,484	30,364,671	(81,813)
Property Tax Revenue	65,716,155	65,561,503	(154,652)
Tuition & Fees	25,200,000	25,200,000	0
Other Income	5,400,000	5,400,000	0
Total General Fund	126,762,639	126,526,174	(236,465)
<u>Assessed Valuations</u>	88,497,754,356	88,289,491,497	(208,262,859)
<u>Property Tax</u>			
General Fund			

Property Tax Revenue	65,716,155.00	65,561,503.00	(154,652.00)
County Treasurer's Commission	657,161.55	655,615.03	(1,546.52)
Tax Requirement	66,373,316.55	66,217,118.03	(156,198.52)
Tax Rate (cents per \$100)	7.500	7.500	0.000

Capital Fund

Property Tax Revenue	17,524,307.00	17,483,067.00	(41,240.00)
County Treasurer's Commission	175,243.07	174,830.67	(412.40)
Tax Requirement	17,699,550.07	17,657,897.67	(41,652.40)
Tax Rate (cents per \$100)	2.000	2.000	0.000

Hazardous/Handicap Fund

Property Tax Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
County Treasurer's Commission	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax Requirement	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax Rate (cents per \$100)	0.000	0.000	0.000

Total Tax

Property Tax Revenue	83,240,462.00	83,044,570.00	(195,892.00)
County Treasurer's Commission	832,404.62	830,445.70	(1,958.92)
Tax Requirement	84,072,866.62	83,875,015.70	(197,850.92)
Tax Rate (cents per \$100)	9.500	9.500	0.000

Total Unused Restricted Funds Authority 21,746,694.20 22,026,358.12 279,663.92

Uhe explained that this item is for the Board of Governors to consider amendments to the proposed MCCA Board of Governors Budget Statement for 2022-23.

Schmailzl presented the final budget, which is updated from the proposed July amounts, based on actual state aid allocation and actual property tax revenue.

The difference in state aid between the proposed budget and amended budget is a decrease of \$81,813. The final property tax revenue figure represents a decrease of \$154,652 from the original estimate. The two adjustments equal a net \$236,465 decrease in the general fund budget from the original proposal. After accounting for the county treasurer's commission and having a decrease in property tax revenue, MCC's unused restricted funds authority increased \$279,663 to \$22,026,358. This resolution amending the budget is necessary to update the budget to match the certified numbers. Hohman added that this resolution is the step prior to the approval of the budget statement, which is the next resolution.

Uhe called for a motion to approve the President's proposed amendment.

MOTION: Gottschall moved to approve the President's proposed amendment; McDermitt seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Uhe asked if there were any motions to further amend the resolution amending the proposed budget statement.

There were no further motions.

Roll call vote on Agenda Item 4b.

Gottschall, yes
Grabowski, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes

10 yes votes, 0 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4c – Consideration of Resolution Adopting the MCCA Board of Governors’ Budget Statement, as Amended, Approving the Amount of Property Tax Required to Fund the Budget, and Setting of the Property Tax Levy for 2022-23, Including Levy for the Amount of Property Taxes for Capital Improvements, Board Doc. 7898

***BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby approve the Budget Statement identified as MCCA Board Doc. No. 7878 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, as amended, including restricted funds, and the amount of unused restricted funds authority carried forward to future budget years necessary to preserve total restricted funds authority, as set forth in 2022-23 CC Budget Form (the permissible additional 1% restricted funds authority per Nebraska Statutes Section 13-519(2) was considered and approved by separate resolution with the affirmative vote of at least 75% of the Board of Governors) and that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Metropolitan Community College Area be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to certify a copy of said Budget Statement, attach copies of the Proofs of Publication of the Notices of Hearing thereon, and file same, together with the amount to be received from personal and real property taxation to fund the Budget, with the Boards of Equalization of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington Counties, Nebraska, on or before September 30, 2022, and with the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Nebraska; and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby set at \$83,875,016 the amount of tax required to fund the Budget Statement and the amount to be received from personal and real property taxation, and that of such tax requirement, \$0.00 shall be the amount levied for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued or authorized to be issued by the College Area and \$83,875,016 shall be the amount levied for all other purposes, and further that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Metropolitan Community College Area be and hereby is authorized and directed to file with and certify those tax requirements to the Boards of Equalization of Dodge, Douglas,*

Sarpy, and Washington Counties, Nebraska, on or before September 30, 2022, and file the same with the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Nebraska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby set the tax levy for said Area for its fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, at 9.50 cents per hundred dollars on the taxable valuation of all property subject to the levy within the Area; and, further, that 7.50 cents of said total tax levy shall be for the purpose of supporting operating expenditures of the Metropolitan Community College Area and 2.00 cents of said total tax levy shall be for the purpose of establishing a capital improvement fund and bond sinking fund or for other permissible purposes authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 85-1517; and further that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Metropolitan Community College Area be, and hereby is authorized and directed to certify to and file a copy of these resolutions with the County Clerks and Boards of Equalization of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington Counties, Nebraska, and with the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Nebraska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified taxable values as provided by the County Assessors pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 13-509 shall be used in setting or certifying the tax levy. The Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area hereby authorizes and directs the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board, prior to certifying the levy to the respective Clerks and Boards of Equalization of the four counties within the College Area, to review, or cause to be reviewed, the certified valuations to determine that they do not vary sufficiently from the valuations used by the Board so as to require a levy of a different amount in order to raise the amount stated in the Board's Adopted Budget Statement—2022-23 to be raised by taxation, and if such a variance does exist, to adjust the Board's levy so that the Board's levy is consistent with certified valuations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby authorize and direct a designated member of the Board of Governors, or its representative, to appear and present the approved budget at the hearing of any represented county which requests in writing such an appearance and presentation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized to direct and to take such other actions as necessary or appropriate to carry out budget-related Resolutions approved or unapproved at this meeting of the Board of Governors in accordance with applicable law.

Uhe explained this item is for the Board of Governors to consider adopting the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors Budget Statement for 2022-23 as amended, approving the amount of property tax required to fund the budget, and setting the property tax levy for 2022-23, including the levy for the amount of property taxes for capital improvements.

Uhe called on Schmailzl to further explain the agenda item. He stated this resolution places into action the budget amendments just approved. Hohman stated this is the primary approval for the budget.

Uhe called for a motion to adopt the resolution.

MOTION: Reinhardt moved to adopt Agenda Item 4c; McDermitt seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call vote on Agenda Item 4c.

Grabowski, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes
Gottschall, yes

10 yes votes, 0 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4d – Consideration of Resolution Setting the Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2022-23 at an Amount that Exceeds the Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2021-22 By More Than the Allowable Growth Percentage, Board Doc. 7899

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following information is provided:

- (a) *The name of the political subdivision: Metropolitan Community College Area (MCCA);*
- (b) *The amount of the property tax request for fiscal year 2022-2023: \$83,875,016;*
- (c) *The following statements:*
 - (i) *The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 8.42 percent;*
 - (ii) *The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$.087633 per \$100 of assessed value;*
 - (iii) *The Metropolitan Community College Area proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$.095000 per \$100 of assessed value; and*
 - (iv) *Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Metropolitan Community College Area will exceed last year's by .26 percent.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, after notice and joint public hearing organized by the Douglas County Clerk as required by law, the Board of Governors of the MCCA does hereby set the final property tax request for the MCCA for fiscal year 2022-23 in the amount of \$83,875,016 pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §77-1633 (in lieu of §77-1632) of the Property Tax Request Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§77-1630 through 77-1634). Such request as set herein shall exceed the request for fiscal year 2021-22 by more than the allowable growth percentage and shall override any deemed request, levy decrease, or adjustment pursuant to the Property Tax Request Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors does hereby authorize and direct the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board to certify and forward this resolution to the County Clerks of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington Counties, Nebraska, on or before October 15, 2022.

Uhe explained this item is for the Board of Governors to consider setting the final property tax request for fiscal year 2022-23 at an amount that exceeds the final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22.

Uhe called on Schmailzl to further explain this agenda item. Schmailzl stated this is the final step in the budget setting process. This is the transparency resolution that clarifies how, due to valuation increases, the same levy amount used last year would generate more property tax revenue this year, even though it is the same levy amount. It shows the overall proposed tax request and changes in other revenue categories. Schmailzl stated he is proud that this year's total budget has only gone up a quarter of a percent.

Uhe asked for a motion to accept this resolution.

MOTION: Reinhardt moved to approve Agenda Item 4d; Gottschall seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call vote on Agenda Item 4d.

Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes
Gottschall, yes
Grabowski, yes

10 yes votes, 0 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5 — Consent Agenda Items

Items remaining on the consent agenda are 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g

Agenda Item 6 — Items Removed from Consent Agenda (if any)

No items were removed.

Agenda Item 7 — Action Agenda

Agenda Item 7a – Consideration of Approval of Minutes of August 23, 2022, Special Board of Governors' Meeting, Board Doc. 7890

Agenda Item 7b – Consideration of Resolution of Approval of Minutes of August 23, 2022, Board of Governors' Meeting, Board Doc. 7891

Agenda Item 7c – Consideration of Resolution Approving Personnel Appointments and Separations, Board Doc. 7892

WHEREAS, per Board Policy 60205, the Board of Governors shall have final approval of all full-time contracts for administrative, support and faculty personnel.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments and employment contracts be approved by the Board of Governors:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Contract Period</u>	<u>Contract Salary</u>
Adult Education Transition Coordinator	Robin Beebe	10/01/2022-06/30/2023	\$41,464.80
Continuing Education Coordinator III (STEM)	Kimberly King	10/03/2022-06/30/2023	\$41,464.80
Director of Facilities Management	Christopher Jensen	10/02/2022-06/30/2023	\$68,735.55
Director of Health Careers Partnerships	Laura Leach	10/02/2022-06/30/2023	\$52,299.00
Director or Student Recruitment	Patrick Boyle	10/16/2022-06/30/2023	\$58,580.25
Director of Workforce and Career Advancement	Lyndsie Gibbs	10/01/2022-06/30/2023	\$63,505.65
Hospitality Manager	Oscar Shoemaker	11/07/2022-06/30/2023	\$39,081.30
Pathway Coordinator for Early Childhood	Diana Molina	10/01/2022-06/30/2023	\$41,464.80

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following separations be acknowledged and accepted by the Board of Governors:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Architecture Design Technology Instructor	Richard Hart	11/23/2022
Associate Director of Student Advocacy and Accountability	Michael Hughes	09/02/2022
Career Services Navigator	Marie H�el�ene Andr�e	09/23/2022
Education Specialist, Veterans Upward Bound	Eryleena Datuin	10/12/2022
Network Server Analyst	Angela Ingalise	10/14/2022

Agenda Item 7d – Consideration of Resolution Establishing Board of Governors’ Meeting Dates and Changes for 2023, Board Doc. 7893

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area hereby changes the dates of its regular meeting for the months of November and December 2023 in accordance with provisions of Board Policy 10501 (Time and Place of Regular, Special, and Emergency Board Meetings).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors will hold its regular November and December 2023 meetings as follows:

- 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – to allow for scheduled holiday break
- 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 12, 2023 – to allow for scheduled holiday break

Agenda Item 7e – Consideration of Resolution Establishing Board of Governors’ Policy 50303 (Board of Governors’ Scholarships), Second Reading, Board Doc. 7894

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby

amends Board Policy 50303 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

50303 Board of Governors' Scholarships

The Board establishes a Board of Governors' Scholarship program that provides financial support to Nebraska residents scholarships to public and private high schools in the State of Nebraska. ~~Scholarships will also be available to individuals~~ who have the equivalent of a high school diploma.

Each Board of Governors' Scholarship will have a quarterly value of full-time tuition and mandatory fees. Any course-specific ~~fees~~ educational expenses will be the responsibility of the recipient. ~~Each scholarship shall be for a maximum value of eight academic quarters of enrollment. -The recipient must enroll in a minimum of six (6) credit hours per quarter and remain in good academic standing to retain the scholarship.~~

The President is authorized to establish guidelines for administering the scholarship program.

(Adopted 12/26/78; Amended 5/28/96; 5/26/15; / /)

Agenda Item 7f – Consideration of Resolution Amending Board of Governors' Policy 60601 (Separate Statement of Policy Regarding MTCCEA), Second Reading, Board Doc. 7895

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 60601 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

60601 Separate Statement of Policy Regarding MTCCEA

The Metropolitan ~~Technical~~ Community College Education Association (MTCCEA) is the exclusive collective bargaining agent for matters affecting full-time advisors, counselors and faculty. ~~instructors, vocational evaluators, counselors, special needs counselors, and career awareness leaders.~~

The MTCCEA is the subject of a separate Statement of Policy adopted and from time to time amended by the Board as a result of negotiations with the MTCCEA. To the extent that specific provisions of a separate negotiated Statement of Policy with the MTCCEA shall be in conflict with the general Board policies regarding any employee included in the MTCCEA, the specific provisions of the separate negotiated Statement of Policy shall govern.

(Amended / /)

Agenda Item 7g– Consideration of Resolution Approving Participation In and Acceptance of Grant Funding From Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education for the Career Forward Workforce Training Program, Board Doc. 7896

WHEREAS, Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education provides federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) grants to Nebraska's community colleges to fund eligible projects; and,

WHEREAS, the College successfully submitted a proposal to Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education and was approved to receive grant funds in the amount of \$9 million over the four-and-a-half-year grant period, from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, the College desires to accept the grant award of \$9 million.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that it approves the College's involvement in the Career Forward Program, and accepts the full grant amount of \$9 million, to be realized during the four-and-a-half-year grant period from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2026, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the President to execute said grant Agreement, with such modifications, changes, and amendments as the President, in consultation with College legal counsel, may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the College, to take any and all actions necessary to accept the grant funds, and to ensure implementation in accordance with the approved proposal and guidelines of Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.

MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve the consent agenda; Gottschall seconded the motion.

Linda McDermitt, yes
Maureen Monahan, yes
Angela Monegain, yes
Zach Reinhardt, yes
Fred Uhe, yes
Brad Ashby, yes
Erin Feichtinger, yes
Adam Gottschall, yes
Steve Grabowski, yes
Philip Klein, yes

Agenda Item 8—Adjournment

MOTION: Gottschall moved to adjourn the meeting; Feichtinger seconded the motion.

Maureen Monahan, yes
Angela Monegain, yes
Zach Reinhardt, yes
Fred Uhe, yes
Brad Ashby, yes
Erin Feichtinger, yes
Adam Gottschall, yes
Steve Grabowski, yes
Philip Klein, yes
Linda McDermitt, yes

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Linda McDermitt, Secretary, Board of Governors

Date

These minutes are unofficial and are subject to revision and approval at the next meeting of the Board of Governors

**AFFIDAVIT OF TRANSMISSION OF NOTICE OF
MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA**

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) SS
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

Julie Lanxon, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states as follows:

1. That pursuant to direction received from the Chair of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area, I caused the following Notice to wit:

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Fred Uhe
Chair, Board of Governors

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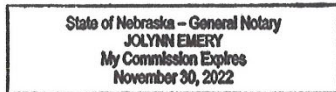
to be published in *Omaha World-Herald* on September 16, 2022; and that the order to said newspaper was made by electronic transmission on September 14, 2022.

1. That on September 15, a copy of such Notice was addressed and sent by e-mail or, if so requested, by personal delivery to each member of the Board of Governors.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Julie Lanxon

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 15th day of September, 2022



Jolynn Emery
Notary Public



Date: September 16, 2022

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I, (the undersigned) an authorized representative of the World Herald, a daily newspaper published in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska; do certify that the annexed notice NOTICE OF MEETING Notice was published in said newspapers on the following dates:

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Billing Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Friday, September 16, 2022

Notary Public

State of Virginia
City of Richmond
My Commission expires _____

Kimberly Kay Harris
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