

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 22, 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
Phillip Klein
Linda McDermitt, Secretary
Maureen Monahan, Assistant Secretary
Zach Reinhardt, Vice Chair
Fred Uhe, Chair
Joe Baker, Ex Officio Faculty
Bre Hounsougbin, Ex Officio Student

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ron Hug
Angela Monegain

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 March 11, 2022, and on the Omaha World-Herald website Omaha.com from March 11-17, 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

Student Ex Officio Representative Report

Student ex officio representative, Bre Hounsoubin, shared highlights from her written report, featuring the Student Advisory Council's activities this past month and the handful of awards the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) chapter received at the regional convention in early March. Uhe congratulated Bre on her success. Feichtinger asked what is entailed to earn the highest accomplishment of "5 stars". Hounsoubin explained that to earn 5 Stars the PTK chapter had to (1) do an honors in action project which involved a research project the chapter did on human trafficking in Nebraska, (2) do a college project which involved the chapter talking to the advisory council regarding programs they want students to know MCC offers, such as ePantry, and (3) keep membership numbers up. Gottschall asked what she learned about human trafficking in Nebraska as part of her research. Hounsoubin stated she learned Nebraska did not have human trafficking laws until 2015, and in 2020, Nebraska had over 100 human trafficking cases pending. Hounsoubin indicated she needed to head to class following her presentation, and she was excused.

Faculty Ex Officio Representative Report

Faculty ex officio representative, Joe Baker, introduced Chris Beaty, Welding Technology Instructor, who shared a brief video that provided an overview of the welding program and some new developments in the program. In his 13 years at MCC, Beaty has seen the program grow to five locations, seven days a week, including three high schools (Fremont, Blair, Westside). The new welding lab at South Omaha Campus has been in use for one year. He noted that he hears from graduates regularly who share how the program has changed their lives. Feichtinger asked what percentage of students are going on to get jobs. Beaty indicated that 100% of graduates go on to get jobs. He noted MCC faculty are also teaching soft skills in the program such as employers depending on employees to show up on time and work hard. Ashby asked

what percentage of students complete an associate degree. Beaty indicated the number is increasing from when he started 13 years ago, and many students are taking welding courses as part of other programs that use welding. Uhe asked if other high schools offer welding courses without working with MCC, as he heard a couple Papillion-La Vista students worked at Lozier over the summer. Beaty stated that the MCC Career Academy works with high schools all around the four-county area, as well as, Plattsmouth and Wahoo. The American Welding Society sets standards for the trade and has done a tremendous job promoting careers. They have also created a website (careersinwelding.com) that has scholarship information, an overview of jobs in the industry, including salaries and skill requirements, and workforce data points. Klein said he has heard that Valmont experiences welders leaving their jobs due to boredom and repetitive work. Beaty thought long hours may be a contributing factor. He noted Lozier pays \$22 per hour and pays for school. McDermitt asked if MCC has a list of area companies that need welders. Beaty confirmed that local companies need welders as they have backlogs of over two years of work. Baker asked how many students are enrolled in welding courses this quarter. Beaty indicated there are over 200 high school students, including career two career academies. Plus 24-36 students in all the labs morning, afternoon, and evening, seven days a week. Uhe thanked Beaty and told him to keep up the good work.

Agenda 3b — Chair of the Board's Report

Uhe shared that he attended the visit with the Irish General Counsel. Senator Fischer recently visited Uhe, and they toured Sarpy County. She inquired about what MCC is planning to do with the land in Sarpy County, and Uhe told her to stay tuned.

Agenda 3c — Board Members' Reports

Monahan reported that the Irish Ambassador to America was in Nebraska and set to visit MCC; however, due to a schedule conflict, the General Counsel from Chicago attended in his absence. Former study abroad students and faculty chaperones spoke about their visits to Ireland. Monahan noted that none of the students who spoke were of Irish decent. She added the event was a wonderful opportunity to showcase how community colleges work to provide international study and work opportunities. Ireland has programs to recruit students to come to visit, as well as, work programs to attract students to study abroad. McDermitt also attended and was impressed by the students' stories, including how the MCC Foundation helped them with the financial aspects to be able to participate.

Agenda 3d — Presidents' Report

President Schmailzl shared a legislative update and noted three points of interest that are left in this session. The federal ARPA bill includes an allocation of \$15M assigned to dual enrollment which will be up for debate in the next couple days. The governor's portion of the bill has allocated \$60M to community colleges (\$10M per college) for workforce development. LB873 was prioritized by Senator Friesen and the purpose of

this bill is to remove the Board's ability to levy general fund property taxes. This bill did not make it out of committee, but instead, Senator Briese took the information and proposed AM2418 to the LB939 tax bill. The amendment would allow the state to credit taxpayers a percentage of the community college property tax bill, using the same process the K-12 school districts now use. Approximately 20-25% of the community college property tax bill would be refunded to the local taxpayer. If passed, nothing would change for the MCC board in terms of levying authority.

Uhe stated that a high number of taxpayers are not claiming the high school property tax credits on their state tax returns. Schmailzl said taxpayers have to claim the credit on their state tax returns and can only do so on their primary residence, not other property.

Melissa Christiansen, Academic Advisor, and Jane Mulder, Assistant Director of Academic Affairs, presented on the work the Path Forward Program Mapping Design Team has been doing since last January. Students and their success are at the center of this project. The team's work centered around the creation of a fill-in template which will serve as a guide for program areas to establish program maps for students. Upon completion, students will have a clear, visual guide that will illustrate program progression for a degree from start to finish. The team's goals included designing the program mapping template, incorporating program-level student learning outcomes, and incorporating career and transfer opportunities. The template will be completed by the program faculty. The sequence of courses will be uploaded into the student's planning web tool for advisors and students to view. The completed mapping templates will be stored in a central location for advisors to access. Program maps will provide a transparent view of degree completion and be customized so students can arrange schedules to meet their individual needs.

Feichtinger thanked the team for their work and expressed excitement about the program and its responsiveness to student needs. She asked if students have been able to interact with this process and provide feedback. Christiansen indicated that students have not yet interacted with the template, but they are using the planning tool and appreciate the plan and visual. Feichtinger asked why students find this process beneficial. Christiansen indicated students find it beneficial because they have a plan they can refer back to and advising staff can access the planning tool when an unexpected issue arises. Reinhardt also expressed his thanks and sees the values of program mapping for first-generation and non-traditional students, as he was. Grabowski concurred that MCC students are non-traditional whose plans are often derailed due to unexpected events, so this will help them to stay on track. Uhe asked if changes to course offerings will be an issue. Mulder stated programs will have "teach-out" plans if courses are not offered. Schmailzl added that the Path Forward initiative has involved people from all job categories which has helped with synergy. Some of the questions Chris Beaty was asked will be answered through this initiative. He is proud of the staff, the administrative effort, and the Board.

Agenda 3e — Regular Reports

No comments. No questions were asked.

Agenda Item 4 — Consent Agenda Items

Items remaining on the consent agenda are 6a, 6b, 6c, 6d, 6e, 6f, 6g, 6i, 6j, 6k, 6l, 6o.

Agenda 5 — Items Removed from Consent Agenda (if any)

Removed from the consent agenda was item 6h.

Agenda Item 6 — Action Agenda

Agenda Item 6a — Consideration of Approval of Minutes of February 22, 2022, Board of Governors Meeting, Board Doc. 7827

Agenda Item 6b — Consideration of Resolution Approving Personnel Appointments and Separations, Board Doc. 7828

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>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract Period</u>	<u>Contract Salary</u>
Saoirse Comstock	Coordinator of Facilities Operations	04/18/2022-06/30/2022	\$13,861.80
Douglas Madsen	Assistant Director of Buildings and Grounds	04/01/2022-06/30/2022	\$20,421.70
Christopher Jensen	Construction Manager	04/01/2022-06/30/2022	\$21,168.55
Ethan Schaffer	Early Career Navigator	03/28/2022-06/30/2022	\$14,011.83

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jeffrey Hall	Success Navigator	03/04/2022
Anna Hartman	Continuing Education Coordinator for CHH	04/01/2022
Candace Otterpohl	Workforce Training Coordinator	05/16/2022

Agenda Item 6c — Consideration of Resolution Approving Credit Program Modifications, Board Doc. 7829

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Community College Board of Governors must approve credit program additions and modifications prior to submission for review of the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education; and,

WHEREAS, all credit programs are reviewed by faculty and administration at least annually to identify necessary and appropriate modifications; and,

WHEREAS, Board of Governors' Policy 40101 provides a guide for program development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Metropolitan Community College Area Board of Governors accepts and approves the credit program modifications as set forth in Board Document No. 7829a.

Agenda 6d. — Consideration of Resolution Awarding the 2022 Don Wagner Award for Leadership and Service to Metropolitan Community College and to Those it Serves, Board Doc. 7830

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2005, the Metropolitan Community College Area Board of Governors created the Don Wagner Award for Leadership and Service to the community in recognition of Mr. Wagner's long history of outstanding contributions to the College and service on the Board of Governors from 1999-2005; and,

WHEREAS, the Don Wagner Award was intended to recognize leadership and assistance to Metropolitan Community College, as well as to individuals, groups, and communities served by the College; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Governors received a nomination to award the 2022 Don Wagner Award to Steve Grabowski in recognition of his leadership to Metropolitan Community College and those the College serves; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Governors concurs that Steve Grabowski be recognized for his embodiment of the spirit, exemplary leadership, and contribution to the College and to the community that was exemplified by Don Wagner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area hereby awards the 2022 Don Wagner Award for Leadership and Service to Steve Grabowski in recognition of his outstanding leadership and service to both the College and to those it serves.

Agenda 6e — Consideration of Resolution Approving Sabbatical Leave Requests for 2022-2023, Board Doc. 7831

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approves a sabbatical leave for Kristina Engler for fall quarter 2022-23 (August 29, 2022, to November 22, 2022).

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approves a sabbatical leave for Kimberly Armstrong for spring quarter 2022-23 (March 7, 2023, to May 26, 2023).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board's approval is contingent upon Kristina Engler and Kimberly Armstrong fulfilling the administrative requirements as prescribed by Board Policy #60309.

Agenda 6f — Consideration of Resolution Approving Faculty Promotion, Board Doc. 7832

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area approves the promotion of the following faculty members to be effective retroactive to the first day of his or her 2021-22 contract:

<u>FACULTY</u>	<u>CURRENT GROUP & LEVEL</u>		<u>PROMOTED TO LEVEL</u>
Seth Woodke	Group 1	Level II-A	Level III-B

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Governors commends this individual for their continued professional development while employed at the College.

Agenda 6g — Consideration of Resolution Amending Board of Governors' Policy 40201 (Associate Degree), Second Reading, Board Doc. 7833

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 40201 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

40201 Associate Degree

The Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS) will be awarded to students completing one of the College's career programs.

The Associate of Arts Degree (AA) or the Associate of Science Degree (AS) will be awarded to students completing one of the College's academic transfer programs.

The Associate of Science in Nursing Degree (ASN) will be awarded to students completing the Associate Degree Nursing program.

To be eligible for graduation with an associate degree a student must fulfill all requirements of the degree curriculum and must have a minimum of 24 25% of credits in residence at the College, or enrollment in an approved statewide initiative program with the College designated as the home institution. Prior learning credits do not apply to the residency requirement.

(Amended 11/20/84; 7/26/95; 1/28/14; XX/XX/22)

Agenda Item 6i — Consideration of Resolution Amending Board Policy 40402 (Academic Annual Calendar and Course Offerings Schedule), Second Reading, Board Doc. 7835

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 40402 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

40402 Academic Annual Calendar and Course Offerings Schedule

The Board of Governors shall approve an annual calendar designating the length of academic terms and the College holidays therein. This calendar shall be published as part of the College Catalog.

The President is responsible for the development of schedules for College activities, including course offerings within the annual calendar.

In any emergency situation, as declared by the College President, the President, with the approval of the Board Chair, may adjust the academic calendar as he or she deems necessary and appropriate under the circumstances to best meet the needs of the College. The President shall report any such departure from the established calendar to the full Board by no later than the next regular meeting of the Board.

(Adopted 11/20/84; Amended 12/16/14; Amended / /)

Agenda Item 6j — Consideration of Resolution Amending Board Policy 10207 (Out-of-State Meetings), First Reading, Board Doc. 7836

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 10207 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

10207 Out-of-State Meetings

A member of the Board of Governors may attend, at the member's option, up to three out-of-state meetings per ~~calendar~~ fiscal year (July 1-June 30) at College expense, provided, the College shall not bear or reimburse expenses regarding an out-of-state meeting unless the meeting is either a pre-sanctioned meeting or a meeting specifically approved in advance by the Board. A Board member may not attend more than three out-of-state meetings at College expense during a ~~calendar~~ fiscal year except as may be specifically approved in advance by the Board.

For purposes of this policy: (1) "meeting" includes meetings, conferences and conventions, (2) a meeting shall be considered "pre-sanctioned" only if it is listed on the list of pre-sanctioned meetings adopted and revised from time to time by a resolution or resolutions of the Board on file with the Board's Recording Secretary, and (3) a meeting shall be considered "out-of-state" if it is held outside the State of Nebraska not less than 100 road miles from 30th and Fort Streets in Omaha, Nebraska by the most direct route.

A Board member's expenditures shall include, but not be limited to, lodging, meals, transportation, and registration fees. Board Policy 10205 governs reimbursement of expenses of members of the Board.

Upon return, one or more delegate members of the Board shall report the results of the meeting, either orally or in writing, to the Board at its next regular meeting.

Members of the Board shall file a proper and complete expense claim within thirty (30) days after returning from an approved trip.

A member of the Board may not travel at College expense to an out-of-state meeting during the last ~~year~~ 12 months of the member's term of office when it is known that the member will not be returning as a Board member the following year. This restriction shall apply during such last ~~year~~ 12 months of a Board member's term of office upon the earliest of his/her: (1) public announcement that he/she will not seek reelection; (2) failure to timely file as a candidate in the primary election; or (3) elimination or withdrawal from the election process. Board members wishing an exemption from this restriction must receive authorization of the Board at a regular or special meeting.

(Adopted 3/28/78; Amended 4/27/82, 2/25/92; 8/22/95, 3/25/08; 2/26/13; 3/21/17; / /)

Agenda Item 6k — Consideration of Resolution Amending Board Policy 10501 (Time and Place of Regular, Special and Emergency Board Meetings), First Reading, Board Doc. 7837

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 10501 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

10501 Time and Place of Regular, Special and Emergency Board Meetings

- (1) Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at 6:30 P.M. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at a location designated by the Chair. The time and/or date and/or place of a regular meeting may be changed by vote of a majority of the full membership of the Board. Regular meetings of the

Board may be held by means of virtual conferencing as provided for under and subject to the requirements of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

- (2) A working meeting preceding any regular meeting may be called in the same manner as special meetings are called, as provided for in this Policy.
- (3) Special meetings of the Board shall be called upon a resolution duly approved by the Board at a Board meeting, or by the Chair of the Board whenever he or she determines that such a meeting is necessary or desirable, or upon petition or consent of a simple majority of the members of the Board to the Chair who shall thereupon call the special meeting. Special meetings shall be held pursuant to advance agenda and advance public notice in the same manner as regular meetings, provided, that notice of a special meeting shall be given to members of the Board (and published in the manner described in Board Policy 10503) not less than two days prior to the special meeting and, provided further, that the agenda for a special meeting may be transmitted to members of the Board by e-mail or other electronic means, or by hand delivery, not less than 24 hours prior to the special meeting. The agenda may be amended thereafter in any manner and at any time permissible under the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. Special meetings of the Board may be held by means of virtual conferencing as provided for under and subject to the requirements of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.
- (4) Emergency meetings of the Board ~~may~~shall be called ~~only~~ when due to the emergency nature of the matter time does not permit reasonable advance public notice of the meeting. (In this connection, an "emergency" is an event or occasional combination of circumstances that calls for immediate action or remedy; a pressing necessity; exigency; a sudden or unexpected happening; an unforeseen occurrence or condition.) An emergency meeting of the Board shall be called by the Chair of the Board whenever he or she determines that such a meeting is necessary, or upon petition or consent of a simple majority of the members of the Board to the Chair who shall thereupon call the emergency meeting. The nature of the emergency shall be stated in the minutes and any formal action taken in an emergency meeting shall pertain only to the emergency. Emergency meetings may be held by means of virtual conferencing, ~~electronic or telecommunication equipment~~. The provisions of Board Policy 10503, pertaining to notification of news media requesting notice of the meetings, shall be complied with in conducting an emergency meeting. ~~If the emergency meeting is to be conducted by electronic or telecommunication equipment, the notification to the news media referred to in Board Policy 10503 shall designate the place the Board shall be participating in the emergency meeting via such electronic or telecommunication equipment. Complete minutes of such emergency meeting specifying the nature of the emergency and any formal action taken at the meeting shall be made available to the public by no later than the end of the next regular business day.~~
- (5) If an emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to the Nebraska Emergency Management Act and the territorial jurisdiction of the College is included in the emergency declaration, in whole or part, the Board may hold a meeting by virtual conferencing during such emergency if reasonable advance publicized notice is given as described in the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. The notice shall include information regarding access for the public and news media. In addition to any formal action taken pertaining to the emergency, the Board may hold such meeting for the purpose of briefing, discussion of public business, formation of tentative policy, or the taking of any action by the Board. The Board shall provide access by providing a dial-in number or a link to the virtual conference. The Board shall also provide links to an electronic copy of the agenda, all documents being considered at the meeting, and the current version of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. Reasonable arrangements shall be made to accommodate the public's right to hear and speak at the meeting and record the meeting. The provisions of Board Policy 10503, pertaining to notification of news media requesting notice of the meetings, shall be complied with in conducting an emergency meeting. The nature of the emergency shall be stated in the minutes. Complete minutes of such meeting specifying the nature of the emergency and any formal action

taken at the meeting shall be made available for inspection as provided for in the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

(Amended 5/23/78; 1/27/81; 12/18/84; 3/24/92; 9/22/92; 6/23/98; 3/27/01; 3/23/10); 5/28/13; / /22)

Agenda Item 6l — Consideration of Resolution Approving 2022-23 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Metropolitan Community College Education Association Academic Advisors, Counselors, and Faculty, Board Doc. 7838

WHEREAS, the most recent Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between the College and the Metropolitan Community College Education Association Academic Advisors, Counselors, and Faculty (ACF) expires at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2022, with the academic year ending August 15, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the College and the Union have agreed to terms and conditions of a renewal of said CBA effective for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, with the associated academic year running from August 29, 2022, through August 15, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the College administration believes that approval of the CBA is in the best interest of the College and recommends that this Board approve renewal of said Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board hereby approves the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement, Board Document No. 7838a, and authorizes the President to execute said 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.

Agenda Item 6m — Consideration of Resolution Approving the Renewals of Microsoft Campus Agreement, Student and Campus Desktop with Enterprise Client Access License, Office 365, and Azure Cloud Services, Board Doc. 7839

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area hereby approves the renewals of Microsoft Campus Agreement, Student and Campus Desktop with Enterprise Client Access License, Office 365, and Azure Cloud services in the amount of \$382,356.09 using consortium contract pricing with such modifications, changes, and amendments, as the President, in consultation with the College legal counsel, may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the College.

Agenda Item 6n — Consideration of Resolution 2021-24 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the College and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #571, AFL-CIO, Covering the College Facilities Maintenance Employees, Board Doc. 7840

WHEREAS, the most recent Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between the College and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #571, AFL-CIO, covering the Facilities Maintenance Workers Bargaining Unit, expired on June 30, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the College and the Union have agreed to terms and conditions of a renewal of said CBA to run from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the College administration believes that approval of the CBA is in the best interest of the College and recommends that this Board approve renewal of said Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board hereby approves the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement between the College and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #571, AFL-CIO, covering the Facilities Maintenance Workers Bargaining Unit, Board Document No. 7840a, and authorizes the President to execute said 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.

Agenda Item 6o — Consideration of Resolution Approving Participation in and Acceptance of Grant Funding for U.S. Department of Commerce – Office of Economic Development Administration’s Stem Talent Challenge, Board Doc. 7841

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Commerce provides grants to accredited post-secondary educational institutions to build STEM talent training systems to strengthen regional innovation economies; and

WHEREAS, the College successfully submitted a proposal to the U.S. Department of Commerce – Economic Development Administration and was approved to receive grant funds in the amount of \$248,873 over the two-year period from February 15, 2022, through February 14, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the College desires to accept the grant award of \$248,873;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that it approves the College’s involvement in Project Open Community Technology Initiative Nebraska (OCTEIN), and accepts the full grant amount of \$248,873, to be realized during the two-year grant period spanning from February 15, 2022, through February 14, 2024, 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 the U.S. Department of Commerce – Office of Economic Development Administration.

MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve the consent agenda without agenda item 6h; Reinhardt seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

Agenda Item 6h — Consideration of Resolution Amending Board of Governors’ Policy 40203 (Certificate of Achievement), Second Reading, Board Doc. 7834

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 40203 as is shown below (deletions stricken through and additions underlined):

40203 Certificates of Achievement

A ~~e~~Certificate of Achievement will be awarded to students completing one of the College's approved ~~e~~Certificate of aAchievement programs. A Certification of Achievement includes general education course requirements.

A Career Certification is a shorter term award with no general education requirements.

To be eligible for graduation with a certificate ~~of achievement~~ students must fulfill all-requirements of the certificate ~~of achievement~~ curriculum specified by the College, and must ~~have~~ completed a minimum of ~~1525%~~ credits in residence at the College. Prior learning credits do not apply towards the residency requirement.

(Amended 11/20/84; 1/28/14; / /)

MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve 6h; Reinhardt seconded the motion.

McDermitt suggested a couple of grammatical edits that are (1) line 33 – remove the “d” from the word “completed” and (2) line 34 – add the word “of” before the word “credits”. Grabowski and Reinhardt accepted the language corrections and motioned to accept the edits.

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

Motion carried.

Agenda Item 7—Adjournment

MOTION: Grabowski moved to adjourn the meeting; Reinhardt seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Linda McDermitt, Secretary, Board of Governors

Date



Date: March 11, 2022

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, commencing at 6:30 o'clock P.M. at the Fort Omaha Campus, 32nd & Sorensen Parkway, in the Institute for the Culinary Arts, Building #22, Room #201, Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska, which meeting will be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continually current, is readily available for public inspection at the principal office of said Board of Governors, 30th & Fort Streets, Building #30, Omaha, Nebraska, during normal business hours.

Fred Uhe
Chair, Board of Governors
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