

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 23, 2022**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Chair Uhe asked Julie Lanxon, Recording Secretary to the Board, to call the roll:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Brad Ashby  
Erin Feichtinger  
Phillip Klein  
Linda McDermitt, Secretary  
Maureen Monahan, Assistant Secretary  
Angela Monegain  
Zach Reinhardt, Vice Chair  
Fred Uhe, Chair  
Joe Baker, Ex Officio Faculty  
Bre Housougbin, Ex Officio Student

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Adam Gotschall  
Steve Grabowski  
Ron Hug

**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 was available in the rear of the room.

**Agenda Item 1e—Recording of Notice of Public Meeting**

The Chair then reported on the recording of the Notice of Public Meeting and stated he had 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, a newspaper of general circulation within Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington Counties, Nebraska to the effect that notice of this Special meeting was published in that newspaper on August 10, 2022, and on the Omaha World-Herald website Omaha.com from August 12 – August 18, 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 via email on August 11, 2022, as specified by Board 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, during normal business hours.

Without objection, the Chair of the Board directed that the affidavits, along with the methods and dates of notice be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

## **Agenda Item 2—Budget Overview**

### **Agenda Item 2a—2022-23 Budget Overview**

- **Review of 2022-23 Budget**

Schmailzl explained that Neb.Rev.Stat. § 13-506 requires that a public hearing on the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors Budget Statement be held separately from the regular August Board of Governors meeting. The Board Chair, after consulting with administration and legal counsel, decided to schedule the special meeting immediately before the regular August meeting of the Board of Governors. A written record will be kept of the hearing. The regular August Board of Governors meeting will begin at its regular time of 6:30 p.m., or promptly following the adjournment of this meeting.

Schmailzl provided a brief review of the 2022-23 budget statement. The general fund cash reserve amount has been updated. These funds are used to balance the budget instead of increasing taxes or tuition. The other update to the budget statement was the status of the 2021-2022 budget, which was changed from *requested to approved*.

## **Agenda Item 3—Public Hearing**

### **Agenda Item 3a—Public Hearing for Proposed Metropolitan Community College Area Board of Governors' Budget Statement 2022-23**

Uhe called for a motion and second to open the Public Hearing for the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors' Budget Statement for 2022-23.

**MOTION:** Reinhardt moved to open the Public Hearing; McDermitt seconded the motion.

Erin Feichtinger, yes  
Phillip Klein, yes  
Linda McDermitt, yes

Maureen Monahan, yes  
Angela Monegain, yes  
Zach Reinhardt, yes  
Fred Uhe, yes  
Brad Ashby, yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Uhe declared the Public Hearing open and asked President Schmailzl to confirm that three copies of the Proposed Budget Statement were available to the public at this hearing and explain this item.

Schmailzl confirmed that three copies of the Proposed Budget Statement were available.

Schmailzl reviewed the key provisions in the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors' Budget Statement. He outlined key provisions of the budget, which included a comparison to the prior year's budget. Key details he highlighted included:

- The overall college budget reflects a 0.26% increase from last year.
- The General Fund levy rate is 7.5 cents per \$100 of property valuation and has been since FYE 2011. Each cent is worth approximately \$8 million in property tax revenue and equates to an assessment of \$75 on each \$100,000 in valuation.
- It is estimated the College will see an estimated 8.67% increase in valuations for FYE23.
- The State Biennium budget provides a 2% increase in State Aid for Community Colleges plus additional dual credit enrollment aid.
- MCC's resident tuition rate will increase by \$2 per quarter credit hour to \$68.
- Revenue projections from tuition and fees increased by 9.57% due to increases in the tuition rate, expected dual enrollment increases, federal grants, scholarships, and trades enrollment.
- The General Fund budgeted property tax revenue is up 8.67%, State Appropriations is up 3.66%, tuition and fees is up 9.57% and other revenue is up 6.93%. The total revenue for FYE 2023 is projected to be up 7.52%.

Schmailzl reviewed the FYE 2023 General Fund budgeted expenditures, noting the total expenditures increase of 4.71%. Travel is projected to increase 39.17% due to increased amounts of travel post-COVID. Equipment is projected to decrease 15% since a new building is not being opened this year, compared to last year.

The Capital Fund levy rate is unchanged at 2 cents per \$100 of property valuation, and the facilities fee remains at \$5 per quarter credit hour. The Property tax will generate approximately \$1.4 million more than last year. Other revenue is down. The total Capital Fund revenue is \$23 million with planned expenditures at \$38.5 million.

MCC's overall property tax rate remains at 9.5 cents as local property tax valuations have appreciated by about 8%; MCC will generate approximately \$6.6 million (8.67% increase) using the same levy rate as in previous years. MCC's levy rate has remained steady around 84% of the allowable tax authority since 2010, a total levy of 9.5 cents. LB873 provides property tax owners a credit for a portion of their property tax payment made to support community colleges in the year the property taxes are paid. The property tax credit starts in 2022.

Uhe asked if there were any members of the public who wished to provide input on the proposed MCCA Board of Governors' Budget Statement for 2022-23.

Hearing from no one, Uhe asked for a motion and second to close the Public Hearing.

**MOTION:** Reinhardt moved to close the Public Hearing; Monahan seconded the motion.

Phillip Klein, yes  
Linda McDermitt, yes  
Maureen Monahan, yes  
Angela Monegain, yes  
Zach Reinhardt, yes  
Fred Uhe, yes  
Brad Ashby, yes  
Erin Feichtinger, yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Uhe declared the Public Hearing closed.

#### **Agenda Item 4—Adjournment**

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

Linda McDermitt, yes  
Maureen Monahan, yes  
Angela Monegain, yes  
Zach Reinhardt, yes  
Fred Uhe, yes  
Brad Ashby, yes  
Erin Feichtinger, yes  
Phillip Klein

Motion carried. The Special meeting of the Board was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

  
Linda McDermitt, Secretary, Board of Governors

  
Date

**AFFIDAVIT OF TRANSMISSION OF NOTICE OF  
 BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY FOR THE  
 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 Secretary of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area, I caused the following Notice to wit:

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of Nebraska State Statute Sections 13-501 et seq., that the governing body of Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on the 23rd day of August, 2022, at 6:15 p.m., at Metropolitan Community College, Fort Omaha Campus, Bldg. 21, Mule Barn, Room 112, 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Sorensen Parkway, Omaha, Nebraska, to hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget is available at the office of the secretary during regular business hours.

**PROPOSED BUDGET.** In compliance with Sections 13-501 *et seq.* of the Nebraska Statutes, as amended, a public hearing will be held at a special public meeting on the date and at the time and place stated above to consider the proposed 2022-23 budget statement of the College Area, a summary of which is printed below (and copies of which are available at the office of the secretary during regular business hours and will be available at the public hearing).

Linda McDermitt, Secretary

2020-21 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	<u>\$169,667,238.00</u>
2021-22 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	<u>\$180,663,795.00</u>
2022-23 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	<u>\$235,171,349.00</u>
2022-23 Necessary Cash Reserve	<u>\$ 84,933,326.00</u>
2022-23 Total Resources Available	<u>\$320,104,675.00</u>
Total 2022-23 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	<u>\$ 84,072,866.62</u>
Unused Budget Authority Created for Next Year	<u>\$ 21,746,694.20</u>
<b>Breakdown of Property Tax:</b>	
Personal & Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	<u>\$ _____ 0</u>
Personal & Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	<u>\$ 84,072,866.62</u>

**PUBLISH on Friday, August 12, 2022**

to be published in *Omaha World-Herald* on August 12, 2022; and that the order to said newspaper was made by electronic transmission on August 10, 2022.

1. That on August 11, 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.

Sue Lanxon

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022

State of Nebraska – General Notary  
JOLYNN EMERY  
My Commission Expires  
November 30, 2022

Jolynn Emery

Notary Public



Date: August 12, 2022

**Affidavit of Publication**

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
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**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY**

State of Nebraska  
 Budget Form - Notice

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA IN DOUGLAS, DOUGLAS, SARPY AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES,  
 NEBRASKA

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of Nebraska State Statute Sections 13-501 et seq., that the governing body of Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on the 13rd day of August, 2022, at 8:15 p.m., at Metropolitan Community College, Fort Omaha Campus, Bldg. 21, Main Room, Room 112, 32nd Street and Sorensen Parkway, Omaha, Nebraska, to hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget is available at the office of the secretary during regular business hours.

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2021-22 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	\$180,663,755.00
2022-23 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	\$235,171,249.00
2022-23 Necessary Cash Reserve	\$ 94,833,285.00
2022-23 Total Resources Available	\$220,337,963.00
Total 2022-23 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	\$ 94,077,866.62
Unused Budget Authority Created for Next Year	\$ 21,746,684.20
Breakdown of Property Tax:	
Personal & Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	\$ 0
Personal & Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	\$ 94,077,866.62
<b>TOTAL</b>	

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 OF BUDGET HEARING was published in said newspapers on the following dates:

08/12/2022

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**Billing Representative**

Sworn to and subscribed before me this **Friday, August 12, 2022**

**Notary Public**

State of Virginia  
 City of Richmond  
 My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Kimberly Kay Harris  
 NOTARY PUBLIC  
 Commonwealth of Virginia  
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