A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Chair Monahan asked Rita Eyerly, Recording Secretary to the Board, to call the roll:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Brad Ashby  
Erin Feichtinger  
Adam Gotschall, *arrived at 6:32 p.m.*  
Steve Grabowski, Treasurer  
Ron Hug  
Phillip Klein  
Linda McDermitt, Secretary  
Maureen Monahan, Chair  
Angela Monegain  
Zach Reinhardt, Assistant Secretary  
Fred Uhe, Vice Chair  
Joe Baker, Ex Officio Faculty  
Brianna Ouedraogo, 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 was posted in the rear of the room.

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

The Chair then reported on the Notice of Public Meeting and presented the following:

*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 meeting was published in that newspaper on September 3, 2021 and on the Omaha World-Herald website Omaha.com from September 3-9, 2021. Affidavit of College employee Rita Eyerly, 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 September 2, 2021 as 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, during normal business hours.

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

Agenda Item 2—Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Agenda Item 3—Public Hearing and Budget Action Agenda Items

Agenda Item 3a—Consideration of Resolution Approving an Additional 1% Restricted Funds Authority and Carryforward to Future Years, Board Doc. 7777

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, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, 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, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, 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.

Monahan explained that this item is for the Board of Governors approving an additional 1% restricted funds authority and carryforward to future years. She called on Schmailzl to explain further.

Schmailzl explained the purpose of the resolution, in light of the budget formula forms in the Board material, would enable the College to reserve an additional 1% of restricted budget authority should the Board need it in future years. This action is not connected to the actual budget, but protects the College budget from hitting the lid in the future, if a situation dictates. The lid was set up by the Nebraska Legislature to keep political subdivisions from overspending their taxing authority. The resolution requires nine votes (supermajority) to pass.

MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve the Agenda Item 3a; Reinhardt seconded the motion.

There were no further questions or comments.
Roll call vote on Agenda Item 3a.

Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, no
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, no

9 yes votes, 2 no votes. Motion carried.
Agenda Item 3b—Consideration of Resolution Amending the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors’ Budget for 2021-22, Board Doc. 7778

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 2021-22 as follows:

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Monahan explained that this item is for the Board of Governors to consider amendments to the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors Budget Statement for 2021-22.
Schmailzl presented the updated budget, which is updated from the July numbers, based on actual property tax and state aid allocation.

The state aid difference between the proposed budget and amended budget is an increase of $144,328. Property tax revenue is a decrease of $208,621. This equals a net effect of $64,293 decrease in the general fund budget. This resolution amending the budget is necessary to update the budget to match the certified numbers.

**MOTION:** Grabowski moved to approve the Agenda Item 3b; McDermitt seconded the motion.

There were no further questions or comments.

Gotschall, no
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, no
Feichtinger, yes

9 yes votes, 2 no votes. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 3c—Special Public Hearing to Set Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2021-22 at an Amount the Exceeds the Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2020-21**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING**

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

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with Nebraska Statutes Section 77-1601.02, as amended, that the governing body of Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on the 14th day of September, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., at Metropolitan Community College, Fort Omaha Campus, Bldg. 22, Institute for Culinary Arts, Room 201, 32nd Street and Sorensen Parkway, Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska, to hold a special public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting a final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22 to be considered by the governing board of the Metropolitan Community College Area at an amount that exceeds the final property tax request for fiscal year 2020-21.

The following information is provided pursuant to Nebraska statutes:
1) **Certified Taxable Valuation under Nebraska Statutes Section 13-509 for Prior Year (2020):**
   \[ \$77,114,765,002 \]

2) **Certified Taxable Valuation under Nebraska Statutes Section 13-509 for the Current Year (2021):**
   \[ \$81,434,277,028 \]

3) **Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in Certified Taxable Valuations from the Prior Year to the Current Year:**
   \[ 5.6\% \]

4) **Amount of Prior Year’s (2020-21) Tax Request:**
   \[ \$73,259,027 \]

5) **2020-21 Property Tax Rate Necessary to Fund 2020-21 Tax Request:**
   \[ 0.095000 \]

6) **Property Tax Rate that would be Necessary to Fund Last Year’s (2020-21) Property Tax Request if Applied to Current Year’s (2021) Valuation:**
   \[ 0.089961 \]

7) **Proposed Property Tax Request for Current Year (2021-22):**
   \[ \$77,629,459^* \]

8) **Property Tax Rate Necessary to Fund 2021-22 Proposed Property Tax Request if Applied to 2021 Valuation:**
   \[ 0.095328^* \]

9) **Proposed 2021-22 Property Tax Rate:**
   \[ 0.095000^* \]

10) **Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in the Property Tax Rate from the Prior Year (2020-21) to the Current Year (2021-22):**
    \[ 0.0\%^* \]

11) **Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in the Total Operating Budget from the Prior Year (2020-21) to the Current Year (2021-22):**
    \[ 7.3\% \]

\*Since the final valuation of taxable property reported in August by Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy and Washington counties was different than the estimated valuation used in calculating the current proposed 2021-22 property tax request and rate, line 8 shows a different calculated tax rate than the current proposed 2021-22 property tax rate of 9.5 cents. Before the governing board of the Metropolitan Community College Area adopts a budget at this September meeting, it is anticipated the proposed 2021-22 property tax request will be amended to $77,362,563 and the tax rate will remain 9.5 cents.

**Linda McDermitt, Secretary**

**Board of Governors**

Monahan explained this item is a special hearing to set the final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22 at an amount that exceeds the final property tax request for fiscal year 2020-21.
She stated she had before her a Notice of Special Public Hearing and the Affidavit of publication of the Notice. Without objection, she directed that they be made a part to the minutes of this meeting.

Monahan called for a motion and second to open the public hearing.

**MOTION**: Reinhardt moved to open the public hearing; McDermitt seconded the motion.

Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, no
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, no

9 yes votes, 2 no votes. Motion carried

Monahan declared the public hearing open.

Monahan asked if there were any members of the public who wish to be heard on the proposal. Hearing no one, she called for a motion and second to close the public hearing.

**MOTION**: Grabowski moved to closed the public hearing; McDermitt seconded the motion.

Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, yes
Grabowski, yes

Motion carried.
Monahan declared the Public Hearing closed.

Agenda Item 3d—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 2021-22, including Levy for the Amount of Property Taxes for Capital Improvements, Board Doc. 7779

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. 7762a for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, 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 2021-22 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 20, 2021, 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 $77,362,563 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 by the College Area and $77,362,563 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 20, 2021, 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, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, 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—2021-22 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.

Monahan explained that this item is for the Board of Governors to consider adopting the Proposed MCCA Board of Governors Budget Statement for 2021-22 as amended, approving the amount of property tax required to fund the budget, and setting the property tax levy for 2021-22 including the levy for the amount of property taxes for capital improvements.

Monahan called on Schmailzl to further explain the agenda item. Schmailzl stated this resolution combines the resolutions just passed, including the 1% restricted funds authority and carryforward and the amended proposed budget for 2021-22.

Monahan called for a motion to approve the resolution.

**MOTION:** Grabowski moved approve Agenda Item 3d; Reinhardt seconded the motion.

Monahan asked if there were any further discussion on this item.

Ashby expressed his concern with the budget as it is laid out. He noted that revenue from state aid, tuition and property tax should be roughly equal. He suggested a tuition increase and lowering of the tax levy to bring the budget back into balance.

Grabowski suggested state aid is a third part of that and state aid should also be increased in the future.

Ashby stated state aid cannot change this year, but MCC needs to raise tuition and lower property tax.

Grabowski stated he believes we should talk to elected officials regarding the state aid formula.

Monahan asked administration when tuition was last increased. Schmailzl noted the Board voted to raise tuition in the last budget cycle for 2022-23.
Discussion ensued regarding tuition comparisons with other Nebraska Community Colleges and Iowa Western Community College, noting MCC’s quarter system related to semester hours.

Schmailzl provided a historical note, stating the goal for the budget was 40% property tax, 40% state aid and 20% tuition.

Gordon Jensen, Coordinator of Budgets, explained how MCC compares to the other Nebraska Community Colleges, after converting MCC’s quarter hours to semester hours. MCC is the lowest in tuition and fees.

Ashby stated if MCC offers “Cadillac” education, why does MCC have the lowest tuition, and suggested MCC should have higher tuition. He suggested a $3-4/credit hour increase in tuition and a lowering of property tax to levy 6 – 7 cents.

Monahan asked for a point of order to determine if a motion was needed. Dave Hohman, Legal Counsel to the Board, stated a motion is in order so discussion on the fine points can continue.

Ashby asked for a five-minute recess.

At 6:59 p.m., the Chair called for a five-minute recess.

At 7:04 p.m. the Chair called for the Board meeting to resume.

**MOTION to AMEND:** Ashby moved to amend the resolution to increase tuition from $99 to $103 per credit hour, double the fees from $7.50 to $15.00 and lowering the property tax levy by a half cent; Gotschall seconded the motion.

Grabowski suggested there are three issues in the amendment and asked if they should be addressed separately: 1) raise tuition, 2) raise fees, and 3) lowering of property tax.

Hug suggested a friendly amendment be requested. Ashby agreed. Hohman clarified the Board may return to the original amendment if the friendly amendments do not pass.

**Friendly Amendment Number One to the original amendment:** Ashby moved to amend the resolution to increase tuition from $99 to $103 per credit hour; Gotschall seconded.

Discussion ensued on Friendly Amendment Number One to raise tuition.

Reinhardt questioned raising tuition from $99 to $103 as that equates to semester hours, not the current MCC $66 per quarter hour.
Uhe asked how raising tuition would work, since the quarter has already begun. He noted that per a Resolution approved by the Board early in 2021, tuition will increase for the next academic year. He wondered how a raise in tuition would impact student billing and financial aid. Schmailzl stated that tuition is set prior to the budget work so tuition can be advertised.

Monahan asked if a public hearing would be required to raise tuition. Hohman stated, in his opinion, a public hearing would be required.

Grabowski asked for clarification if the vote on the friendly amendment would be a simple majority of the quorum. Hohman stated six yes votes are needed to pass the friendly amendments.

McDermitt called the question.

**Roll call vote on the Friendly Amendment Number One to raise tuition.**

- Monegain, no
- Reinhardt, no
- Uhe, no
- Ashby, yes
- Feichtinger, no
- Gotschall, yes
- Grabowski, no
- Hug, no
- Klein, no
- McDermitt, no
- Monahan, no

2 yes votes. 9 no votes. Motion failed.

Ashby withdrew the original amendment and friendly amendment number one to the Resolution in Agenda Item 3d.

**Roll Call vote on original resolution in Agenda Item 3d., 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 2020-21, including Levy for the Amount of Property Taxes for Capital Improvements**

- Klein, yes
- McDermitt, yes
- Monahan, yes
- Monegain, yes
- Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, no
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, no
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes

9 yes votes. 2 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3e—Consideration of Resolution Setting the Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2021-22 at an Amount that Exceeds the Final Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2020-21, Board Doc. 7780

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following information is provided:

(a) The name of the political subdivision: Metropolitan Community College Area;
(b) The amount of the property tax request for fiscal year 2021-2022: $77,362,563;
(c) The following statements:
   (i) The total assessed value of property differs from last year’s total assessed value by 5.6 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 $.089961 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 increase last year’s budget by 7.3 percent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, after notice and special public hearing as required by law, the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area does hereby set the final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22 in the amount of $77,362,563. Such request as set herein shall exceed the request for fiscal year 2020-21 and shall override any deemed request, levy decrease, or adjustment pursuant to Nebraska Statutes Section 77-1601.02, as amended.

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 a copy of this resolution to the County Clerks of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy and Washington Counties, Nebraska, on or before October 13, 2021.

Record Vote: Motion by Grabowski, seconded by McDermitt to adopt Resolution Document Number 7780 SETTING THE FINAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 AT AN AMOUNT THAT EXCEEDS THE FINAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21.
Voting yes were Feichtinger, Grabowski, Hug, Klein, McDermitt, Monahan, Monegain, Reinhardt, and Uhe.
Voting no were Ashby and Gottschall.

Monahan explained that this item is for the Board of Governors to consider setting the final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22 at an amount that exceeds the final property tax request for fiscal year 2020-21.

Schmailzl stated this is the final step in the budget process. It sets the tax levy at 9.5 cents total and lists the dollar amount collected this year compared to last year.
MOTION: Grabowski moved to approve Agenda Item 3e; McDermitt seconded the motion.

Monahan asked if there were any further discussion on this item. Hearing none, she called for the roll call vote on Agenda Item 3e.

Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes
Ashby, no
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, no
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes

9 yes votes. 2 no votes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4—Report Agenda

Agenda Item 4a—Ex Officio Board Members’ Reports

- Student Ex Officio Report

Monahan called on Ouedraogo to report. Ouedraogo reviewed the report in the Board material, highlighting a tour of the South Omaha Campus with the Student Advisory Committee members. She shared details about student welcome bags prepared by SAC members for new students, including a pamphlet listing upcoming events.

- Faculty Ex Officio Report

Baker introduced faculty who reported on their sabbaticals.

Sheryl Mason, English as a Second Language instructor, reviewed the work she did in interdisciplinary faculty mentoring through scholarship of learning (SoTL). Learning communities design studies, collect data, analyze, and publish action research to share findings and implications with other practitioners. MCC faculty were chosen to participate through an application process. Mason stressed that SoTL encourages sharing research with colleagues. Students benefit from the attention instructors place on their own practice of teaching. She noted that SoTL
reinforces the Path Forward fourth pillar, insure learning. The first SoTL cohort at MCC will start this fall.

Feichtinger asked what Mason learned about her own teaching. Mason stated the facts and data support the adjustments she makes for students in her classroom.

Reinhardt asked about formal mentoring programs at MCC. Mason stated the New Faculty Institute is one example at MCC.

In response to a question from Reinhardt, Mason shared the following MCC disciplines are included in the initial cohort: English, Health Science, Health Information Management System, Business and Hospitality Management. She noted a mix of full-time and adjunct faculty are participating.

Steve Lovett, English Instructor, presented his sabbatical project, related to the creative writing program. His goal was to create course objectives around the elements of his craft including characterization, point of view, imagery. He spent time writing every day of his sabbatical, across a variety of genres. His own writing changed when focusing on the elements. He stated, he noticed a difference in his approach in the classroom, putting the specific elements into a context that makes more sense for students.

Feichtinger asked why students are drawn to creative writing classes at MCC. Lovett noted that students have stories they’ve been thinking about and want to do something with them. One student, for instance, wanted to write about the experiences of daughters of drug dealers. Lovett stated that the process of writing, reflecting and sharing the experiences on paper, with others, can allow people to take control of experiences. Feichtinger agreed that MCC students have important stories to share.

Grabowski concurred, noting that expressing thoughts and feelings on paper can be therapeutic. He thanked Lovett for guiding students through the process.

Monahan also thanked Lovett for what he is doing.

Agenda Item 4b— Board Members’ Reports

Uhe reported on three events: 1) On Saturday, September 11, he was at the Werner Park memorial walk. He visited with MCC faculty and students who also attended. He suggested sharing about virtual firefighting training could be a future report to the Board; 2) the ribbon cutting for the Sarpy Center Dog Park happened on September 13 with a great turn-out; 3) he thanked Ashby for the discussion regarding the budget and suggested a future Board retreat on the budget data could be meaningful and stressed the need for state aid to honor their commitment to the Nebraska community colleges.
Agenda Item 4c—Chair of the Board’s Report

Monahan said she started Leadership Omaha this week and noted the overwhelming positive responses about MCC from the class participants.

Agenda Item 4d—President’s Report

Schmailzl called the Meta-Major team to present and noted they would be followed by Dr. Stacy Ocander, Dean of Health Careers.

- Path Forward, Meta-Majors / Academic Focus Areas Design Team, Kyran Connor, Executive Director of South Omaha Campus Student Services & Gary Girard, Executive Director of Continuing Education

Connor started by thanking Ouedraogo for the welcome bags provided by SAC, noting they were appreciated by new students.

Girard shared Path Forward recommendations as shared with MCC administration. The Path Forward initiative is designed to simplify educational pathways by guiding students to a meaningful path and staying on their path. The Meta-Majors team serves as a foundation for the next steps in the initiative.

Connor provided an overview of the design team recommendation review process and shared the cross-section of MCC employees who make up the team. They reviewed their goals for their design team, their process, and their outcomes, noting there is a need to direct more women and people of color into STEM fields. One goal is to ensure these populations know there is a place for them at MCC.

Girard stated the team did research among hundreds of colleges and universities who have implemented a guided pathways process, reviewing their models and successes. Decisions will be driven by internal data and program alignment, including working with state organizations and K-12 school districts. A review of local transfer partners revealed that many of these partners were already using academic focus areas.

The discoveries by this team are not organizational changes, but some changes in current clustering. The recommendation is that MCC’s general studies program should not be used as a placeholder; but should be put into a program of interest. While general studies has a place, research revealed that students who develop a sense of belonging and a career identify through the Academic Focus Area, will be more successful on their pathway. Academic Deans have been involved to assist in ensured alignment.
Finally, the continuum of education will bridge between continuing education, workforce, non-credit and early career awareness experiences. They shared how re-organizing existing academic programs into a meta major, could look.

Feichtinger thanked Girard and Conner for the time and effort to make a stronger educational experience for MCC students.

- **Mahoney Building Instructional Space Update**

  Ocander presented on the instructional space damaged by the roof collapse on August 7, 2021 at the Mahoney Building non the South Omaha Campus.

  She stated this is seen as an opportunity to redesign the 56,000 square foot multi-space use built in 2009. The one exception to the multi-use space was the dental assisting lab. Out of the 56,000 square feet space, there was 4700 square feet specific to dental, meaning it was not convertible to any other space such as nursing or respiratory. Two years ago, the College administration began the process of sunsetting the dental assisting program. Enrollments were declining as private dental practices preferred to train their own assistants and hygienists. There have two applicants to the program, in the past three years.

  With equipment destroyed, there is an opportunity to retrofit the space to a multi-use space. The medical assisting enrollment is up 42% and can use a lab space. The 4700 square feet can become classroom and joint lab space for the medical assisting program, and be multi-use for overflow as needed.

  This also presents the opportunity to better train students to work in teams, in an interdisciplinary setting, much like they will experience in hospitals.

  Gottschall asked about enrollment for dental assisting. Ocander stated enrollment ranged from six student to the best year of 17 students, with only eight students competing the program that year. Ocander clarified that sunsetting the program required “being dark” and working with the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). The one full-time faculty member is dual credentialed and has been moved to another program.

  Hug asked about a dental hygienist program. Ocander noted the market is saturated with hygiene educators and MCC would be in direct competition with the local dental school.

  McDermitt complimented Ocander and her team for finding an opportunity in this situation.

  Schmailzl noted that Agenda Item 7h, on the agenda, is approval of the preliminary drawings for the space Ocander described. The next step will be architectural drawings for review by the Board.
Agenda Item 4e—Regular Reports—Randy Schmailzl

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item 4f—Redistricting Report—Dave Hohman, Legal Counsel to the Board

Hohman reviewed the two maps included in the Board material, provided by the Metropolitan Area Planning agency (MAPA), the College’s redistricting consultant. Hohman reported on the redistricting process and preliminary district population totals, changes per district over the last ten years, along with a timeline for completion of the redistricting process.

District 1 is over the average, District 4 is under the average, so the goal will be to bring these two districts with plus/minus 5% of the average.

The state’s redistricting process has begun and will be followed by the counties. MAPA will used the county data to bring scenarios to the Board. The goal is to discuss scenarios at the November 16 Board meeting to decide on the best scenario, with December 14 Board meeting as a back-up plan.

Hug shared a historical perspective of MCC, noting that Washington and Dodge Counties were part of the same district.

Monahan asked how many options MAPA would provide. Hohman replied at least two, possibly three options would be presented for review by the Board. The final filing date with the Secretary of State is December 30, barring any unforeseen delays earlier in the statewide process.

Feichtinger thanked Hohman for his work on the redistricting.

Agenda Item 5—Consent Agenda Items

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

Agenda Item 6—There were no Items Removed from Consent Agenda

Agenda Item 7—Action Agenda

Agenda Item 7a—Consideration of Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2021 Special Board of Governors’ Meeting, Board Doc. 7781

Agenda Item 7b—Consideration of Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2021 Board of Governors’ Meeting, Board Doc. 7782
Agenda Item 7c—Consideration of Resolution Approving a Personnel Appointments and Separations, Board Doc. 7783

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:

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<th>Name</th>
<th>Position</th>
<th>Contract Period</th>
<th>Contract Salary</th>
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<td>Richard Mortellaro</td>
<td>Senior Application Systems Analyst</td>
<td>09/20/2021-06/30/2022</td>
<td>$ 70,345.32</td>
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<td>Maria Williams Avila</td>
<td>Early Career Navigator</td>
<td>10/01/2021-06/30/2022</td>
<td>$ 42,438.69</td>
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following separations be acknowledged and accepted by the Board of Governors:

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<tr>
<td>Julia LaMont</td>
<td>Academic Advisor</td>
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<td>Jerome Patten</td>
<td>Assistant Director of Campus Planning &amp; Sustainability</td>
<td>09/07/2021</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hugh Schuett</td>
<td>Information Technology Instructor</td>
<td>08/20/2021</td>
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Agenda Item 7d—Consideration of Resolution Establishing the College’s Academic Calendar for 2022-23, Board Doc. 7784

WHEREAS, per board policy 40402 (Academic Annual Calendar and Course Offerings Schedule) the Board of Governors shall approve an annual calendar designating the length of academic terms;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area approve the 2022-23 College’s Academic Calendar; same being identified as Board Document No. 7784a.

Agenda Item 7e—Consideration of Resolution Establishing Board of Governors’ Meeting Dates and Changes for 2022, Board Doc. 7785

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 September, October, November, and December 2022 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 September, October, November, and December 2022 meetings as follows:

6:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2022 – to meet College budget filing requirements
6:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 18, 2022 – to allow Board members to attend the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Leadership Congress
6:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 15, 2022 – to allow for scheduled holiday break
6:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 13, 2022 – to allow for scheduled holiday break
Agenda Item 7f—Consideration of Resolution Amending Board Policy 10103 Procedure for Filling Vacancies on the Board of Governors, Second Reading, Board Doc. 7786

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area that it hereby amends Board Policy 10103 as is shown below:

10103 Procedure for Filling Vacancies on the Board of Governors

(1) Pursuant to Neb.Rev.Stat. § 32-560 (R.R.S. 2016), a vacancy on the Board shall exist in the event of:

(A) Resignation of the incumbent;
(B) Death of the incumbent;
(C) Removal of the incumbent from office;
(D) Decision of a competent tribunal declaring the office of the incumbent vacant;
(E) Incumbent ceasing to be a resident of the Area or, for an incumbent representing a district, a resident of his or her district;
(F) Failure to elect at an election when there is no incumbent to continue in office until his or her successor is elected and qualified;
(G) The candidate who received the highest number of votes is ineligible, disqualified, deceased, or for any other reason is unable to assume the office for which he or she was a candidate;
(H) Forfeiture of office as provided by law;
(I) Conviction of a felony or of any public offense involving the violation of the oath of office of the incumbent; or
(J) Incumbent assumes a high elective office.

(2) In the event of a vacancy from any of such causes or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by the remaining Board members for the balance of the unexpired term. The person appointed to a vacancy must possess all qualifications required by law for the appointment, including the residency requirements for appointment. When filling a vacancy, the remaining Board members shall consider the diversity of the area the College serves. Such appointment shall be made in writing and certified to the Office of the Secretary of State. If, after a primary election, there shall be through any cause whatsoever a vacancy upon the ballot, such vacancy shall be filled by a petition candidate pursuant to Nebraska statute section 32-625 or other applicable state statute or as otherwise required by law. An incumbent shall not be permitted to hold over the term, but such office shall automatically become vacant and an appointment shall be made within one calendar month to fill such vacancy for the ensuing term. If there are vacancies in the offices of a majority of the members of the Board, there shall be a special election conducted by the Secretary of State to fill such vacancies.
(3) As required by Nebraska statute section 32-574, the Board will fill a vacancy within forty-five (45) days after the vacancy occurs unless otherwise provided by law or unless good cause is shown that the forty-five day requirement imposes an undue burden.

(4) As used in this policy, "Former Member" means the former member of the Board whose position on the Board has become vacant, and "Appointee" means the person appointed to the Board to succeed the Former Member.

(5) Whenever the Board declares a vacancy on the Board to exist as a matter of law or a vacancy otherwise is known to exist, the Board shall meet as soon as may be practicable and establish a calendar schedule for the filling of the vacancy. The calendar schedule shall fix:

(A) The date(s) or approximate date(s) for advertising the vacancy and solicitation of applications to fill the vacancy.

(B) The date and time by which applications for the vacancy must be submitted to the Office of the Board. Applications not received on or before the date and time so fixed will not be further considered.

(C) A date, time and place at which the Board shall meet to select applicant finalists to be interviewed by the Board for consideration of appointment to fill the vacancy. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act (the "Act") requires open roll call voting and does not permit a closed meeting for discussion of the appointment or election of a new member to the Board. Except as otherwise allowed by the Act, the meeting of the Board to select applicant finalists to be interviewed for consideration of appointment to fill the vacancy shall be conducted in open public session. The votes of the members of the Board for inclusion of applicants in the group of applicant finalists to be interviewed shall be by open roll call vote. The selection of applicant finalists to be interviewed will be based upon submitted application materials and applicants will not be allowed to address the Board at this stage of the process.

(D) A date, time and place at which the Board shall meet to interview the selected applicant finalists and select an applicant finalist to fill the vacancy. Except to the extent otherwise allowed by the Act, such meeting and selection shall be conducted in open public session. The votes of the members of the Board on the selection of an applicant finalist to fill the vacancy shall be by open roll call vote.

(6) Whenever the Board declares a vacancy on the Board to exist as a matter of law or a vacancy otherwise is known to exist, the College legal counsel, in consultation with the Board Chair, shall prepare a summary of the required legal qualifications for appointment to the vacancy (including applicable residency requirements) and an application form upon which applicants may apply to fill the vacancy. Once the calendar schedule for filling the vacancy has been established as above provided, the Board recording secretary shall make the qualifications summary and application form reasonably available to persons requesting them. The Board recording secretary shall arrange for the advertising of the vacancy in the Omaha World-Herald and any other newspaper of general circulation as determined by the Board, and for the receipt at the Board Office of applications to fill the vacancy. A notice of the vacancy, the qualifications summary and the application form shall also be published on the College's web site.

(7) When an application to fill the vacancy is received in the Board Office, the College legal counsel shall confirm that the applicant meets the required legal qualifications for the appointment sought (including any residency requirements) and may cause a criminal background check to be performed on each candidate by a qualified law enforcement agency if requested by the Board.
(8) Upon expiration of the time established for submission of applications, the Board recording secretary shall provide a complete copy of each submitted application (and all material submitted with the application) to each member of the Board. Any application received at the Board Office after the deadline established for submission of applications to the Board Office shall also be provided to each member of the Board, with a clear indication that the application was not received by the established deadline and therefore ought not be considered by the Board. The Board recording secretary shall also inform the members of the Board of any disqualifying circumstance concerning any applicant and any criminal conviction history of any applicant that becomes known to the College legal counsel.

(9) At the meeting at which the Board meets to select the applicant finalists to be interviewed by the Board for consideration for appointment to fill the vacancy, the following process shall be followed:

(A) The Board Chair shall publicly declare that prior to the meeting each Board member received complete copies of the applications submitted by applicants whose qualifications were confirmed by College legal counsel to meet the required legal qualifications for the appointment sought;

(B) The Board Chair will publicly state those applicants’ names and residence addresses in order to acknowledge for the record those applications that the Board is further considering;

(C) If any of those applicants are present at the meeting, they may be invited to stand and state their names, but applicants will not be allowed to address the Board at this stage in the process;

(D) Each Board member will be provided with an interview preference form which will list the applicants in alphabetical order and which will include blanks for the Board member to write his or her own name and to nominate four (4), and not more or less than four (4), applicants to be interviewed by the Board for the vacancy; provided, however, if there are fewer than four (4) applicants for the vacancy, the Board Chair may propose an alternate number of applicants to be listed by each Board member on the interview preference form;

(E) Each Board member will then complete his or her interview preference form and submit the completed form to the College legal counsel present at the meeting;

(F) Upon receiving the completed interview preference forms, the College legal counsel will publicly read each form stating the name of the Board member and the names of the applicants the Board member has nominated to be interviewed. If video screen(s) are available in the meeting room, the nomination results may be tallied on the video screen(s) as the nominations are read so that the vote totals for each applicant are visible. The process shall continue until all of the interview preference forms completed by Board members have been publicly read;

(G) After the preference vote tally has been completed, the Board shall determine the number of applicants to be selected for interviews by open roll call vote;

(H) After the Board has determined the number of applicants to be selected for interviews, the Board, by a separate open roll call vote or votes, shall determine by resolution the applicants to be interviewed by the Board for the vacancy; and

(I) Within three business days following the meeting, the College legal counsel shall transmit written notice to the applicants advising them whether they were selected as a finalist to interview for the vacancy.
(10) If a vacancy on the Board is to be filled at a meeting at which officers of the Board are to be elected for the year pursuant to Board Policy 10301, or at which memberships on or officers of one or more committees of the Board are to be appointed or elected, the vacancy on the Board shall be filled at such meeting before those items of business are considered.

(11) A majority vote of a quorum of the members of the Board present and voting is sufficient to fill a vacancy.

(12) The statutory oath of office will be administered to the Appointee and subscribed by the Appointee immediately following his or her selection to fill the vacancy, and the Appointee shall then be seated with the Board. As soon as practicable thereafter, the Secretary of the Board or his or her delegate shall file the written and subscribed oath of office with the Secretary of State of Nebraska.

(13) The occurrence of a vacancy on the Board shall automatically also create a vacancy in each committee membership, Board office, Board committee office and Board-appointed position (hereafter, "Board Organizational Assignments") that had been held by the Former Member. The Appointee shall not succeed automatically to any vacancies in the Board Organizational Assignments of the Former Member. Following selection of the Appointee, the Board may fill any vacancies in the Board Organizational Assignments of the Former Member in the same manner and by the same processes by which the Board customarily makes or approves such Board Organizational Assignments in the usual course under Board policies 10301, 10302, and 10603. Any vacancies in any Board Organizational Assignments of the Former Member not covered by those listed Board Policies (including any assignments to the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA), the Metropolitan Community College Foundation Board of Directors, and any other external boards, agencies or associations on which the Board is represented) may be filled by action of the Board.

(14) This policy is for the use and guidance of the Board and the College Administration only. It does not confer any rights on any applicant for a vacancy or any other person. Any noncompliance with any of the provisions of this Policy or informality in its application shall not invalidate any appointment of any person to the Board that is otherwise in compliance with the provisions of law.

(Amended 9/22/92; 12/17/96; 4/25/06; 11/27/11; 2/25/14; 9/17/19; 9/14/21)

**Agenda Item 7g—Consideration of Resolution Amending Board Policy 80502 Bids and Quotations: When Required, Second Reading, Board Doc. 7787**

**80502 Bids and Quotations; When Required**

Where purchase of an item or service (other than a consulting service) has been conceptually approved by the Board, either expressly or by inclusion in the budget the Board has adopted for the College, the President is authorized to approve such purchases and/or to solicit quotations and/or bids in accordance with the requirements of state and federal laws and applicable Board policies. The President may exercise such authority only in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) If the cost of purchase is $40,000.00 or less, the purchase shall be made by unrestricted, open market purchase, except for sole source items. The President shall be authorized to approve such purchase orders up to, but not in excess of, $40,000.00.

(2) If the estimated cost of purchase exceeds $40,000.00, but is less than $75,000.00, the purchase shall be made by a competitive, informal, bidding process in which quotations and/or bids are solicited from at least three independent vendors, or as many independent vendors as
are reasonably and practically available if less than three. Absent compliance with this
requirement, no such purchase shall be made and no contract binding the College respecting
such a purchase shall be entered into until it has been approved by the Board of Governors,
unless otherwise allowed by subparagraphs (6) or (9) below.

(3) If the estimated cost of the purchase is $75,000.00 or more, excluding single or sole source
items, the purchase shall be made by a competitive formal sealed bid process in which bids are
to be solicited from at least three independent vendors, or as many independent vendors as are
reasonably and practically available if less than three. An invitation to bid shall also be
published at least once in a legal newspaper circulated in the College’s four-county area.
Absent compliance with this paragraph, no such purchase shall be made and no contract
binding the College respecting such a purchase shall be entered into until it has been approved
by the Board of Governors, unless otherwise allowed by subparagraphs (6) or (9) below.

(4) The President is not authorized to approve any purchase, purchase order or contract involving
expenditure by the College in an amount in excess of $250,000.00, except as may be allowed
by subparagraph 9 below. In all other cases, no purchase order shall be issued or purchase
made, and no contract binding the College respecting a purchase shall be entered into, for an
amount in excess of $250,000.00, unless the purchase, purchase order or contract has first
been expressly approved by the Board of Governors.

(5) The President shall submit a report monthly to the Board of all approved purchases costing
from $100,000.00 to $250,000.00, and of all single and sole source items costing more than
$250,000.00. The purchase of fixed services, such as utilities and maintenance services, shall
be exempt from this report.

(6) The President may authorize purchases at the unit prices stated in the current state purchasing
department contracts, consortium contracts or GSA contracts, without first soliciting competitive
bids or quotes. If the amount of such purchase exceeds $250,000.00, however, the President
shall obtain prior express approval of the Board for the purchase. The President may also
authorize, without complying with the quotation and bidding requirements specified in this
Board Policy 80502, payment to a vendor for an item or service if the item or service is routinely
utilized and paid for by the College on an on-going, recurring basis. (Examples of such items
and services include but are not limited to payments for utilities, telephone services, rents,
maintenance services, payroll and payroll taxes, and costs of employee benefits approved by
the Board).

(7) In soliciting quotations and bids, the College will encourage quoting and bidding by potential
vendors known to be owned and operated by females or members of minorities.

(8) When quality and price are comparable, preference for purchase contracts should be given to
corporations, firms, or individuals with offices or production facilities in the College’s four-county
service area.

(9) In any emergency situation, the President may, with the approval of the Chair of the Board,
depart from the otherwise applicable requirements of this Board Policy 80502. If the Chair of
the Board is not reasonably available, the Vice-Chair of the Board may give such approval. The
President shall report any such departure to the full Board by not later than the next regular
meeting of the Board.

(Amended 8/11/87; 1/25/94; 12/17/96, 4/24/01; 6/27/06; 2/25/14; 11/18/14; 9/14/21)

**Agenda Item 7h—Consideration of Resolution Approving Preliminary Drawings for Repair of Interior Instructional Space at the South Omaha Campus Mahoney Building, Board Doc. 7788**

**WHEREAS**, BVH Architects has completed the preliminary drawings for repair of the internal
instructional space at the Mahoney building on the South Omaha Campus that was necessitated by
the storm, and resulting roof collapse, on August 7, 2021; and,
WHEREAS, the preliminary drawings for the instructional space reflect a “White Box” design that will provide the College with the flexibility to utilize the space as its current and future needs indicate to best serve students; and,

WHEREAS, administration hereby presents said preliminary drawings to this Board for its review and approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Governors approves the preliminary drawings for repair of the internal educational space at the Mahoney building on the South Omaha Campus, and directs BVH Architects to proceed with production of detailed drawings for the project.

MOTION: Hug moved to approve the Consent Agenda; McDermitt seconded the motion.

Uhe, yes
Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, yes
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item 8—Adjournment

MOTION: Hug moved to adjourn the meeting; Feichtinger second the motion.

Ashby, yes
Feichtinger, yes
Gotschall, yes
Grabowski, yes
Hug, yes
Klein, yes
McDermitt, yes
Monahan, yes
Monegain, yes
Reinhardt, yes
Uhe, yes

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.
Linda McDermitt, Secretary, Board of Governors

Date
NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING

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

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with Nebraska Statutes Section 77-1062.02, that the governing body of Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on the 24th day of September, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., at Metropolitan Community College, Fort Omaha Campus, 84th St. andODO, for the purposes of holding a special public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, objections, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting a final property tax request for fiscal year 2022-23 to be considered by the governing board of the Metropolitan Community College Area on an amount that exceeds the final property tax request for fiscal year 2021-22.

The following information is provided pursuant to Nebraska statutes:

1) Certified Taxable Valuation under Nebraska Statutes Section 49-909 for Prior Year (2020): $77,114,970.00

2) Certified Taxable Valuation under Nebraska Statutes Section 49-909 for the Current Year (2021): $80,447,771.81

3) Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in Certified Taxable Valuation from the Prior Year to the Current Year: 5.4%

4) Amount of Prior Year's (2020-21) Tax Request: $ 73,295,927

5) 2021-22 Property Tax Rate Necessary to Fund 2021-22 Tax Request: .99906

6) Property Tax Rate that would be Necessary to fund Last Year's (2020-21) 73.4 Property Tax Request if Applied to Current Year's (2021) Valuation: .99960

7) Proposed Property Tax Rate for Current Year (2021-22): $77,829,493.06

8) Property Tax Rate Necessary to Fund 2022-23 Proposed Property Tax Request: .99906

9) Proposed 2022-23 Property Tax Rate: .99906

10) Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in the Property Tax Rate from the Prior Year (2021-22) to the Current Year (2022-23): 0.0%

11) Percentage Increase or (Decrease) in the Total Operating Budget from the Prior Year (2021-22) to the Current Year (2022-23): 7.3%

*Since the final valuation of taxable property reported in August by Douglas, Sarpy and Washington counties was different than the estimated valuation used in calculating the current proposed 2021-22 property tax request and rate, one it shows a different calculated tax rate than the current proposed 2021-22 property tax rate of 0.95. Before the granting board of the Metropolitan Community College Area sets a final property tax request for the fiscal year 2022-23, this proposed 2021-22 property tax request will be amended to $77,829,493 and the tax rate will remain 0.95.

Linda McDermitt, Secretary Board of Governors

Publisher of the World Herald

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 SPECIAL PUBLIC was published in said newspapers on the following dates:

09/02/2021

The First Insertion being given ...

09/02/2021

Newspaper reference: 0000255716

 Billing Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Thursday, September 2, 2021

Kimberly Kay Harris
Notary Public

State of Virginia
City of Richmond
My Commission expires______

Commission Exp. Jan. 31, 2025

E-mail prlaughlin1@mccneb.edu

THIS IS NOT A BILL. PLEASE PAY FROM INVOICE. THANK YOU
AFFIDAVIT OF TRANSMISSION OF NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA

STATE OF NEBRASKA )
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS )

Rita Eyerly, 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:

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Community College Area will meet on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 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.

Maureen Monahan
Chair, Board of Governors

PUBLISH on Friday, September 3, 2021

to be published in Omaha World-Herald on September 3, 2021; and that the order to said newspaper was made by electronic transmission on September 1, 2021.

1. That on September 1, 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.

Rita Eyerly

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 8th day of September, 2021

Pauline R. Laughlin
State of Nebraska-General Notary
My Commission Expires
October 22, 2022

Notary Public
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Maureen Monahan
Chair, Board of Governors
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Pubisher of the
World Herald

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:

09/03/2021

The First insertion being given ...  09/03/2021

Newspaper reference: 0000255765

Billing Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  Friday, September 3, 2021

State of Virginia
City of Richmond
My Commission expires

E-mail: reyerly@mcneeb.edu

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