

Board of Directors Meeting
Manhattan Area Technical College
Tuesday, April 19, 2005 - 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order - Norris Wika, Chair

1. The Board of Directors of the Manhattan Area Technical College met in Regular Session at Manhattan Area Technical College on Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 7:10 p.m.

Members present: Craft, David
Davin, Beverly
Fowles, Brad
Kice, John
Kohlmeier, Stacy
Mayo, Jerry
Shipps, Dale
Wika, Norris

Members absent: Thornberg, Willie

Also present were Dr. Linda Hertzell, Vice President of Instructional Services; Kim Kickhaefer, Vice President of Student Services; Jane Bloodgood, Director of Business Services.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Shipps moved to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Kohlmeier seconded. Motion carried 8/0.

3. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Linda Hertzell reported on behalf of Dr. Rob Edleston.

Open House Report

MATC had 300-400 visitors attend Open House on April 1, 2005. Dr. Wika and Mr. Kice also attended. The Open House was very successful.

HLC Conference

Dr. Edleston, Ms. Kickhaefer and Dr. Hertzell attended the Higher Learning Commission's 110th Annual Meeting in Chicago, April 8-12, 2005. The sessions were informative and good contacts were made. MATC was the only technical

college that was invited to participate in the Research Room. Conference participants who stopped by the MATC booth expressed a lot of interest in getting accreditation.

Clay Center Progress

Renovation is currently taking place in the building (MATC's proposed satellite campus) at Clay Center. MATC plans to offer Continuing Education or Workforce courses at the MATC satellite campus this summer. MATC is also looking at offering training courses in Electrical Power and Distribution in the future. There are concerns regarding the placement of graduates from Electrical Power and Distribution if a second class was offered at the satellite campus. The matter will go before the Assessment Committee.

Coordinator of Institutional Advancement Position

Linda Morey, currently the Coordinator of Institutional Advancement, has resigned due to personal reasons. MATC plans to do a local and national search. A state-wide advertisement will go out in May. The position may be expanded to cover research.

Collective Bargaining Status

The next Interest-based Bargaining (IBB) sessions are scheduled for April 25-26, 2005. Contract length and salary will be covered in the sessions. The group is making good progress.

Mr. Shipps asked if the Board of Directors should be involved in the IBB sessions. Dr. Hertzell will follow up with clarification on the process.

Kansas Board of Regents Visit

MATC was pleased to host a visit from the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) on Monday, April 18th, 3-5 p.m. Six KBOR members came for the visit. Dr. Edleston gave the Regents the history of the college and a tour of the campus. Faculty and students visited with the Regents about their programs during the tour. It was felt that the Regents showed a genuine interest in the college.

Dr. Wika complimented faculty, staff, and students on their program presentations and the overall presentation of the college.

4. BUSINESS:

Mr. Kice asked about the recruiting efforts of adjunct faculty for night courses. Dr. Hertzell replied that currently the focus is on hiring apprenticeship instructors and if an instructor was not found for a particular class than the class would be canceled.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

No comments at this time.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Mayo moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters on non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that they return to Open Session in this room at 7:55 p.m. Ms. Davin seconded. Motion carried 8/0.

Ms. Kohlmeier moved to return to Open Session. Ms. Davin seconded. Motion carried 8/0. Board returned to regular session at 7:55 p.m.

7. BOARD CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Dr. Wika once again expressed his gratitude to the faculty and staff on behalf of the Board in the efforts that were made to accommodate the Regents in their visit to MATC.

Dr. Wika inquired about graduation. Ms. Kickhaefer added that MATC graduation is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th at 7:00 p.m. in McCain Auditorium. Invitations will go out to the Board next week. Dr. Wika and Mr. Mayo have agreed to assist with handing out degrees at graduation.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Shipps asked that the MATC Administration report back to the Board of Directors regarding the Board's involvement in the Interest-based Bargaining negotiations with the Faculty Association. The question is: should the Board be directly involved in negotiations with the Faculty Association.

9. ADJOURN

Dr. Wika, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roberta Robinson, Clerk
Manhattan Area Technical College
Board of Directors

