

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAKESHORE COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD**  
**Lakeshore College, 1290 North Ave. Cleveland, WI**  
**March 19, 2025**

**Board Present:** Wyatt, Pohlman, Nichter (virtual), Brauer, Esquinas, Kluss (virtual)

**Board Absent:** Lukas, Trimberger, Rooney

**Staff Present:** Carlsen, Johnson, Soodsma, Riesterer, Sauer, Liphart, Boman, C. Leverenz, Schmidt, Bradley, Samano-Lopez, Kroeplien, Grasse, Andersen

**Students Present:** Meyer, Mireles, Sargent

**Call to Order**

The meeting of the Lakeshore College Board was called to order by Board Chair, John Wyatt, at 3:00pm. It was reported this meeting had been publicized in accordance with requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

**Public Input**

No public input was provided.

**Policy Governance**

**Board Linking: Student Leadership Board and Ambassador**

The Board and was introduced to the Student Leadership Board President and Secretary Treasurer as well as the Student Ambassador.

**Presidents Update**

President Paul Carlsen provided an update on college operations and his activities.

**Board Policy Review**

Board Policies II.A. Delegation to the President and II.B. President's Profile Position were reviewed and interpretations accepted.

**Strategic Discussion**

Heidi Soodsma provided an update on the Operational Plan.

**Monitoring Reports**

The College Financial Position and Student Retention and Completion Activity Reports were accepted by the Board.

**Administration**

Brenda Riesterer presented a budget update for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the financing plan for capital expenditures.

**Consent Agenda**

IT WAS MOVED BY CURT BRAUER AND SECONDED BY BELINDA ESQUINAS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. Roll call vote: Wyatt, aye; Pohlman, aye; Brauer, aye; Esquinas, aye; Nichter, aye; Kluss, aye; Lukas, absent; Rooney, absent; Trimberger absent.

**Board members and President had an opportunity to identify items for future Board agendas.**

**Closed Session**

IT WAS MOVED BY DON POHLMAN AND SECONDED BY CURT BRAUER TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 19.85(1)(c) OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES FOR PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION OF TWO FACULTY CONTRACT NON-RENEWALS. Roll call vote: Wyatt, aye; Pohlman, aye; Brauer, aye; Esquinas, aye; Nichter, aye; Kluss, aye; Lukas, absent; Rooney, absent; Trimberger absent. The Board convened into closed session at 3:43pm.

**Open Session**

IT WAS MOVED BY CURT BRAUER AND SECONDED BY BELINDA ESQUINAS TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION. Roll call vote: Wyatt, aye; Pohlman, aye; Brauer, aye; Esquinas, aye; Nichter, aye; Kluss, aye; Lukas, absent; Rooney, absent; Trimberger absent. The Board reconvened into open session at 4:00pm.

**Adjourn**

IT WAS MOVED BY CURT BRAUER AND SECONDED BY BELINDA ESQUINAS TO ADJOURN. The meeting was adjourned at 4:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Monica Nichter  
Board Secretary/Treasurer