CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson Pierpont called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the University Transfer Center Fireside Room 102 at Nicolet College in Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

ROLL CALL

Board members absent: None

Also present: President Burmaster, John Bates, Nancy Burns, Teresa Ellis, Paul Gabriel, Dan Groleau, Kelly Haverkampf, Chris Holewinski, Rich Johnson, Dave Karoliussen, Sandy Kinney, Chuck Komp, Chuck Kopp, Brigitte Kumbier, Chad Lashua, Roxanne Lutgen, Greg Miljevich, Russ Moyer, Rose Prunty, Terry Rutlin, Ron Skallerud, Kenneth Urban, John Van De Loo, and Laura Wind-Norton.

Recorder: Anne Bonack
Notice of the meeting was provided to the media and posted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

JACOBS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY EGAN, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS DISTRIBUTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

ROUTINE ITEMS
1. Public Input
   None

CONSENT AGENDA
3. Ratification of Business, Industry, and Government Contracts
4. Status of College Accounts, Operational Cost, Recap of Expenses, and Approval of Bills Payable

JACOBS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY HINTZ, THAT THE NICOLET COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, ITEMS 2, 3, AND 4. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

REGULAR AGENDA
5. Industrial Mechanical (IM) Technician Program Overview. Dean of Trade & Industry Kumbier introduced Industrial Mechanical Technician Instructor Johnson. Johnson provided an outline of the
IM program, which currently has 30 students enrolled in various stages of the program. Six students from the original group have transitioned into the workforce from the program. The program trains students how to install, maintain, troubleshoot and repair machinery and equipment in an industrial environment. Johnson stated that an IM Open House will be held on May 20, and will provide information on the program to potential new students.

IM Student, and retired US Army, Sergeant Major Bruce Zwiers, explained after retiring from the Army in 2009, he was having a hard time finding a job. Zwiers was an electronic technician in the Army and is continuing his education at Nicolet through the GI Bill. Zwiers stated he would like to focus on mechanical maintenance since the Rhinelander area is maintenance heavy. Questions from the Board were addressed by Kumbier and Johnson.

6. **Board of Trustees Outstanding Service Awards Presentation.** Board of Trustees members presented the Board of Trustees Outstanding Service Awards to the following Nicolet staff members: John Bates – Academic Service Professional, Chris Bartelt – Adjunct instructor, Teresa Ellis – Administrative Professional, Sandy Kinney – Administrator, Dave Karoliussen – Facilities, Chuck Kopp – Faculty, and Chris Holewinski – Support Staff.

   JACOBS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY ODEKIRK AT 5:33 PM TO RECESS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS RECEOTION IN THE HALLWAY. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE. NO BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED DURING THE RECEPTION.

   JACOBS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY ODEKIRK TO RECONVENE THE MEETING AT 5:48 PM IN THE UTC FIRESIDE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

7. **Presentation by Wisconsin Technical College District Boards Association President Russ Moyer and Executive Director Paul Gabriel.** District Boards Association President Moyer explained he has been on the Southwest Technical College Board of Trustees since 1981, and has served on the Barneveld School Board for 27 years. Moyer has visited 12 of the 16 Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Colleges since last July and stated he enjoys meeting so many wonderful people. Moyer provided an overview of upcoming District Boards Association meetings and stated technical colleges are special places.

   Executive Director Gabriel stated, “You can learn a lot about a college by being there, and there is great team here.” Gabriel went on to mention that the (WTCS) was established in 1911, and is the oldest technical college system in the nation. Gabriel provided an overview of a proposal that would threaten local control of Wisconsin colleges. Gabriel explained a special legislative committee has been formed to examine the current governance model of the WTCS in the interest of transferring governance responsibilities of local district boards to the state.
STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

PUBLIC INPUT
None

ADJOURNMENT

JACOBS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY HINTZ, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:13 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.