

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
February 24, 1987

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges met at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 24, 1987, in Room 502A, Sillers Building, Jackson. Members present were:

Wes Burkhardt	H. J. Pearson
Tom Childs	Malcolm Phillips
Herdia Cauthen	Susan Purdy
Bertha Daniels	William Terrell
Jean-Marie Hill	

Member Bettye Applewhite was absent. Staff in attendance were Bill Bunch and George Moody.

Chairman Tom Childs presided. The invocation was given by Clyde Muse.

UNIFORM COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM

The Uniform Course Numbering System (for Academic Courses) in Mississippi Public Junior Colleges, 1986-87 Fifth Edition, was presented and discussed by Clarence Roberts. Copies of the manual were distributed.

STAFF-ASSOCIATION RELATIONSHIP

The State Board received a report from the Mississippi Junior College Association presented by Reid Thorne, McKinley Martin, B. B. Thames, Clyde Muse, and William Scaggs about the mutual benefit to the Board staff and the personnel of local junior colleges resulting from the services and interaction of these groups through the organization of the Mississippi Junior College Association. It was noted that the Association is the leadership platform for achieving change and program implementation in the local institutions.

A motion was made by Susan Purdy, seconded by William Terrell, and passed unanimously that a staff member of the Board will no longer serve as secretary of the Mississippi Junior College Association.

A motion, made by Susan Purdy and seconded by Wes Burkhardt, carried unanimously that the Board shall provide assistance for general coordination to the Mississippi Junior College Association to accomplish the missions of the State Board and the institutions comprising the junior college system.

LEGISLATION UPDATE

A report on legislative action was given by Clyde Muse. S. B. 1211 is a proposal to increase income taxes, a portion of which may provide needed increases for junior colleges. Copies of bill status were distributed. McKinley Martin explained that SCR 521, a bill to authorize expenditure of \$50,000 in state funds to study the facility needs at Coahoma Junior College, was the result of and continuing effort to settle the AYERS case. A motion was made by Susan Purdy, seconded by Wes Burkhardt, and carried unanimously for the director to write a letter to the appropriate parties expressing the State Board's strong

support for the provisions of SCR 521.

BUDGET REQUEST PROCEDURE

The process and procedure for making annual budget requests were reviewed and discussed. The consensus of the State Board was that the State Board must be involved in establishing the guidelines and priorities for developing budget requests for state appropriations. The director was asked to present programs and factors in the March and April meeting for consideration in setting the guidelines for preparation of the FY 1989 budget request.

The State Board recessed at 5:35 P.M.

CONFIRMATION HEARING

From 8:30 to 9:45 a.m., Wednesday, February 25, 1987, all members of the members of the State Board, except Bettye Applewhite met with the Universities & Colleges Committee of the Senate in Room 408, Capitol Building, Jackson, for confirmation hearings.

STATE BOARD RECONVENED

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges reconvened at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 25, 1987, in Room 502A, Sillers Building, all members except Bettye Applewhite were present.

MISSISSIPPI HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

Malcolm Lightsey, Executive Director, MHEAC described the organization and services of the corporation. He noted that the State Board has four appointments to membership in the corporation, and that three appointments were to be made at this time. A request was made for financial statements of the corporation.

ALLOCATION FORMULA

The terms, definitions, and rationale for allocation of state appropriations for junior college support were discussed.

Wes Burkhardt observed that the present funding formula has been in existence for some twenty-four years without any substantial change, and looking at the present formula it appears to discourage junior colleges from developing programs that meet the needs of part-time/evening students. It is felt that a study of the formula is in order and the State Board will be doing so during this year and will be prepared to make a recommendation regarding the funding mechanism to the 1988 legislative session.

Wes Burkhardt moved that the above message be put in the form of a letter to be sent to the Universities and Colleges Committee and the Appropriation Committee of the House and Senate. The motion was seconded by H. J. Pearson and carried unanimously.

The State Board recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 28 MEETING

Upon motion by H. J. Pearson and second by Herdia Cauthen, the minutes of the January 28 meeting were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

George Moody reported that the Bureau of Buildings had asked for identification and requests of capital improvement needs from the junior colleges for the period of FY 1989-93.

Copies of the agenda and minutes of meetings of the State Board of Education and of the Board of Institutions of Higher Learning were distributed to the members of the State Board.

The House Appropriation Committee hearings will be conducted within the next several weeks; board members representation was sought.

ARTICULATION

Eddie Smith informed the Board that the Association's committee on articulation would continue to work with the Board's committee to establish and maintain effective articulation relations between junior colleges and universities.

MISSISSIPPI JUNIOR COLLEGE ASSOCIATION REPORT

Reid Thorne distributed minutes of meetings of the Association and of the Economic Development Foundation for February 17, and noted the following items:

- a committee named to study drug testing for athletes.
- Ted Alexander, president of Pearl River Junior College, recognized as a top school administrator in the United States.
- a committee to report to the State Board on Staff to Association relationship.
- Economic Development Conference on April 2.
- Invitation to State Board Chairman to serve as member of the Directors of the Economic Development Foundation.
- Election of a new secretary of Association and of Foundation.
- Concern about use of term "Commissioner of Higher Education."

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL PROGRAMS APPROVED

An application for approval to establish a program in Commercial Art and Advertising Technology, CIP 2.3/48.0203, at the Perkinston Campus of Mississippi Gulf Coast District was discussed by Barry Mellinger, Ed Evans, and Travis Ferguson. Upon motion by Wes Burkhardt and second by Susan Purdy, the State Board gave unanimous approval to Mississippi Gulf Coast District to Commercial Art and Advertising Technology.

FOLLOW-UP POLICY

A motion was made by Wes Burkhardt that a program follow-up policy be developed by the staff for determining effectiveness and performance of programs approved by the State Board. The motion was seconded by Herdia Cauthen and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT TO HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

A motion was made by Malcolm Phillips, seconded by Jean-Marie Hill, and passed unanimously to appoint members by adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following person, who is a member of the administrative staff of a state-supported two (2) year junior college of the State of Mississippi, is hereby named to membership in Mississippi Higher Education Assistance Corporation for a four (4) year term:

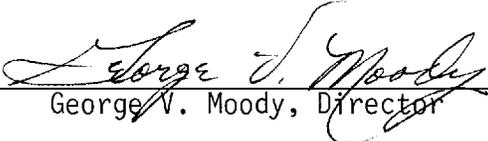
W. O. Benjamin	Itawamba Junior College	Fulton
McKinley C. Martin	Coahoma Junior College	Clarksdale
Billy B. Thames	Copiah-Lincoln Junior College	Wesson

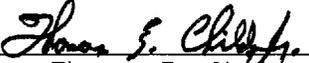
FUTURE MEETING DATES

The State Board voted unanimously to hold regular meetings on the following dates:

- Tuesday and Wednesday, March 25-26, 1987. Motion by H. J. Pearson and second by Malcolm Phillips.
- Thursday, April 16, 1987. Motion by William Terrell and second by Malcolm Phillips.

The State Board adjourned at 3:15 p.m., upon motion by Malcolm Phillips, second by Bertha Daniels and unanimous affirmative vote.

By: 
George V. Moody, Director

Approved: 
Thomas E. Chmids, Jr., Chairman

Date: March 25, 1987