

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
SEPTEMBER 19, 1991

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, September 19, 1991, in Room 507, Paul B. Johnson Building, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, Mississippi. All Board members were present: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Bob Breeden, Amos Bridges, Jeannet Boston, Lanny Monroe, Dr. Barbara Ricks, Nell Rogers, and Perrin Purvis.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, Bill Bunch, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Carolyn Shorter, and Frankie White.

Guests in attendance: Dr. Marilyn Comer, Joan Mead, Linda Harvey, Dr. Worth Haynes, Dr. Clyde Muse, Donna Meeler, Dr. Ted Alexander, Dr. Eddie Smith, and Cathy Hayden.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Barbara Ricks, chairman.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Paul Breazeale.

The Chairman announced that the Academic Business Division of Northwest Mississippi Community College received on July 1 accreditation by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), a national accrediting organization. Of forty-nine colleges in the nation that applied for accreditation, Northwest is one of twenty-five institutions to achieve accreditation. Fourteen of the twenty-five colleges receiving accreditation were community colleges.

The Executive Director congratulated Northwest for this significant achievement and invited Joan Mead to share with the Board background information about the accrediting organization.

On a motion by Bob Breeden, seconded by Jeannet Boston, the Board unanimously adopted a motion to recognize and congratulate Northwest for achieving national accreditation by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs. The staff was also directed to prepare and distribute an appropriate news release.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Alton Bankston, the Board unanimously adopted the minutes of the August 15, 1991 Board meeting.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Lanny Monroe, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda.

The Chairman expressed appreciation to the Executive Director, the staff, and Nell Rogers and Bob Breeden of the Planning Committee for the well-planned occasion of the Board and Presidents on September 18.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's report included the following matters:

01. Expressed appreciation to the Board for 100% attendance at the Board/Presidents meeting on September 18.
02. Announced that staff member Deborah Gilbert was selected Outstanding Business Officer for Region IX of the National Council of Community College Business Officials. Ms. Gilbert will receive the award at a regional meeting in North Carolina in November.
03. Announced that on October 5-8, the Executive Director, Board Chairman, and Bob Breeden along with Department of Education and Institutions of Higher Learning representatives will visit with educational officials in Portland, Oregon, and look at Oregon's Education Act of the 21st Century. The Director reported that the Public Education Forum of Mississippi, an organization of business leaders to support educational endeavors, is paying for the trip.
04. Presented an update on the Northeast Mississippi Advanced Technology Centers. The award of \$1.25 million dollars which is substantially below the request to the Board of Economic Development has necessitated adjustments in the project. The Director reported that he had met recently with the leadership of northeast Mississippi community colleges and business leaders concerning the project.
05. The Executive Director recommended that the Board proceed with the scheduled visit in November to Pearl River. Dr. Ted Alexander informed the Board of tentative plans for November 20-21.
06. Executive Director's out-of-town schedule:

October 5-8: Portland, Oregon
October 9: Hinds Community College
October 18: ACCT Annual Convention, Biloxi
October 28-29: Junior-Senior College Conference, Olive Branch

POLICY AND PROCEDURES DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

Linda Harvey, Harvey & Associates, presented a status report on the proposed Policy and Procedures Manual.

After a discussion on this matter, it was moved by Paul Breazeale, seconded by Perrin Purvis, and unanimously passed, that the Chairman appoint an ad hoc committee to study the draft and compile recommendations or input from the Board, and bring the final draft back to the Board for consideration at a designated meeting.

Based on the recommendation of the Executive Director, the Board agreed to review the draft and submit in writing to Dr. Larry Day by a specified deadline any concerns or recommendations.

The Chairman set the deadline of October 3 for submitting recommendations, and appointed Paul Breazeale, Amos Bridges, and Nell Rogers, chairman, to serve as the Ad Hoc Committee on Policy and Procedures.

FOLLOW-UP

Attorney General's Opinion

The Executive Director reported that an Attorney General's opinion concerning the role of the Board in EdNet matters was mailed to each member and asked if anyone had any questions relating to the opinion.

Literacy Report

The Executive Director recommended that the Board read the draft of the Literacy Report and make recommendations and responses. Dr. Ray informed the Board that parts of the report would be used in a presentation to the legislature and others concerning the role of community colleges meeting adult literacy needs of the state.

Selection of Board Members to the Mississippi Community College Public Foundation

The Executive Director reported that one nomination had been submitted for the Board and recommended that the Board move forward on this matter.

REPORTS/ACTION

Mississippi Association of Community/Junior Colleges

Dr. Eddie Smith reported on the following actions of the on August 27 meeting:

01. Reported that a presentation on The Importance of The Role of Community Colleges and Its Relationship to MEC was made by Bob Pittman.
02. Authorized a study on statewide guidelines for full compliance to the Students Right to Know Act.
03. Discussed funding of vocational-technical education.
04. Approved the Creative Writing Association budget request of \$4,500 for 1991-92.
05. Appointed Dr. Eddie Smith as a representative to the Mississippi Community College Public Foundation.
06. Discussed the following: SBCJC/MACJC Retreat, state insurance plan, waiver policy for athletes.
07. Employed George Wynne as MACJC lobbyist.
08. Reported that the trustees, faculty, and inter-alumni associations have endorsed the MACJC legislative program.
09. Recessed for lunch at the Governor's mansion.
10. Reported that a presentation on educational programs was made by Ron Scarborough.

Standing Committees: Finance

01. Based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, it was moved by Lanny Monroe, seconded by Bob Breeden, to approve the budget amendments for two H.B. 3 Bond Projects at Copiah-Lincoln Community College (Attachment 1). Motion carried unanimously.
02. Based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, it was moved by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Alton Bankston, to approve the staff salary requested increase by position for FY 1993. (Attachment 2). Motion carried unanimously.
03. A report on the funding formula review by the Joint Committee on Vocational Education was made to the Finance Committee by Dr. William Scaggs.

Standing Committee: Program

01. Based on the recommendation of the Program Committee, it was moved by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board unanimously approved the application from Southwest Community College for a program in Robotics Technology.

EdNet Report

Paul Breazeale reported that the EdNet Board had not met and stated that possibly next month he could bring a contract to the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for any use the Board deems to make of it.

Travel Authorization

Based on the recommendation of the Executive Director, it was moved by Bob Breeden, seconded by Lanny Monroe, the Board unanimously approved travel reimbursement to Paul Breazeale, Bob Breeden, Perrin Purvis, Barbara Ricks, Nell Rogers for the BellSouth Forum on September 10.

Committee Assignments

The Chairman made the following committee assignments to be effective October 1.

Program Committee
Bob Breeden, Chairman
Amos Bridges
Perrin Purvis

Planning Committee
Nell Rogers, Chairman
Alton Bankston
Bob Breeden

Finance Committee
Jeannett Boston, Chairman
Paul Breazeale
Amos Bridges

Legislative Committee
Bob Breeden, Chairman
Paul Breazeale
Perrin Purvis

OTHER BUSINESS

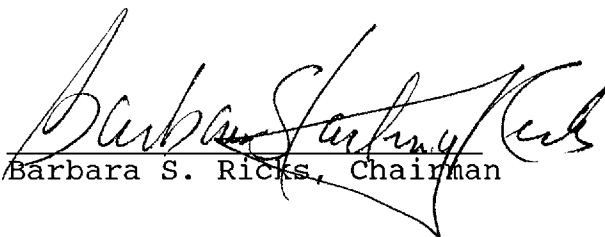
Paul Breazeale expressed appreciation for the fine job that all community college presidents, administrators, and faculty members are doing.

Perrin Purvis shared favorable comments about community colleges that he had recently received.

Alton Bankston expressed thoughts concerning Board/Presidents working relationship.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Jeannett Boston, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 p.m.


Barbara S. Ricks, Chairman

Olon E. Ray
Executive Director