

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
November 21, 1991

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, November 21, 1991, at Pearl River Community College, Poplarville, Mississippi. Members present were: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Bob Breeden, Amos Bridges, Jeannet Boston, Lanny Monroe, Dr. Barbara Ricks and Perrin Purvis. Member absent: Nell Rogers.

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

Guests in attendance: Dr. Ted Alexander, Randy Read, Dr. James Sones, Ms. Jerry Burge, Dr. Willis Lott, and Dr. Worth Haynes.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Paul Breazeale.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Bob Breeden, seconded by Alton Bankston, the Board approved the minutes of October 17, 1991. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Lanny Monroe, seconded by Jeannet Boston, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda with the following amendments: 1) Uniform Course Numbering System Report to follow Item A; 2) Dr. Worth Haynes' Report to follow Item J; 3) Randy Read's report to follow Executive Director's Report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray acknowledged and introduced Randy Read, Human Resource Manager of General Electric Plastics of Bay St. Louis. Mr. Read reported on a recent study on postsecondary needs in Hancock County and on how well Pearl River Community College has served industries and businesses in the county. Some of the highlights of the report included the following:

01. Hancock County is the fastest growing county in enrollment in the state. From 1985 to 1991, a 35% increase in enrollment was reported in the Bay, Waveland, and Hancock County school systems. A projection of another 30% growth between 1991 to 2010 was made.

02. The Task Force for the study was comprised of representatives from manufacturing, superintendents from local school systems, community colleges. Dr. Bill Lee and Dr. Joe Holloway conducted the study and provided information to the Task Force.
03. Three different groups were surveyed with a needs assessment questionnaire and a personal interview. The three groups included a list of industries from the Chamber of Commerce, a select group of companies and businesses at random, and industries and business that Pearl River had served. The study revealed that 44% did training within the company, 40% a combination of self and outside training, and 3% relied on outside training. The projected number of employees who will need training by the surveyed companies was 1,885 from 1992 through 1995 and about that same number from 1996 to 2000. Some of the areas that industries indicated that they needed retraining for employees included: environmental control, auto body repair, and systems operation technology.
04. The study revealed that Pearl River Community College was highly regarded in offering training for industry and businesses in the county. In the past ten years, some 3,500 people received industrial/customized training by Pearl River Community College.
05. A copy of the study was distributed to the Board.

Dr. Olon Ray expressed appreciation to Mr. Read and Dr. Alexander for sharing the study with the Board.

The Executive Director's report included the following matters:

01. The Executive Director distributed copies of a planning grant proposal to Phil Hardin Foundation in the amount of \$6,400 for the purpose of developing a plan for establishing a leadership academy. Dr. Ray informed the Board that the request would probably receive favorable consideration.
02. Dr. Ray reminded the Board of the next Board meeting on December 11 and 12 in Hancock County and urged all members to attend.
03. Dr. Ray informed the Board that Dr. Larry Day's father passed away on November 10, and expressed sympathy to Dr. Day and his family.

REPORTS/ACTION

At this time, Chairman Ricks called on Dr. Willis Lott for the Uniform Course Numbering System Report.

Uniform Course Numbering System Report

Dr. Willis Lott, academic dean of Pearl River Community College provided the following information about the Uniform Course Numbering System. (Copies were distributed to the Board).

01. The system started in 1971 is updated every five years. It is currently in the fifth edition.
02. Dr. Lott commented that the uniform course numbering system is the greatest contribution to articulation that community colleges have made.
03. Dr. Lott pointed out that all community colleges have the same course numbering and course restrictions.
04. Any amendments or additions to the system are considered by a subcommittee of the Academic Deans' Association and next by the entire association for approval. Addendums to the system are made throughout the five-year period and provided to community colleges and universities of the state.

College/University Articulation Agreement

Bill Bunch distributed copies of The College/University Articulation Agreement and reinforced Dr. Howell Garner's report given in the October Board meeting.

Lower-Level Course Approval for Universities

Bill Bunch reported and recommended approval of requests for lower-level courses.

01. On a motion by Bob Breeden, seconded by Jeannet Boston, the Board unanimously approved the following lower-level courses:

PLG 203 (300) Torts
Mississippi University for Women - Universities Center

LA 202 Legal Bibliography I
LA 206 Commercial Law I
LA 210 Public Records and Abstracting
University of Mississippi - Universities Center

LA 206 Commercial Law I
PHIL 203 Logic
SW/SOC 233 Juvenile Corrections
University of Mississippi - Tupelo Campus

Mississippi Association of Community/Junior Colleges

Dr. Ted Alexander reported on the following actions of the Presidents' Association meeting on October 29.

01. Reviewed information pertaining to a legislative program that has already been approved by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges, the trustees of the fifteen public community/junior colleges, Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges, and the Mississippi Community and Junior College Inter-Alumni Association.
02. Discussed the possibility of a two-day retreat for the Association to discuss some serious funding problems.
03. Discussed some matters pertaining appeals to outcome of athletic matters.

Standing Committee: Finance

01. Jeannet Boston, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee deferred a report on Coahoma Community College until the December meeting.
02. Deborah Gilbert presented the Joint Legislative Budget Committee's FY 93 Administrative and Support Budget Recommendations for Mississippi Public Community/Junior Colleges and also presented was a projected FY 93 allocation to community/junior colleges based on LBO recommendation. No action was required on these matters. (Attachment 1 & 2).

Standing Committee: Planning

01. Bob Breeden, chairman of the Planning Committee, reported that the Planning Committee discussed the matter of meetings. Based on the recommendation of the Planning Committee, Mr. Breeden offered a motion that effective January 1992 the Board meet on Wednesday nights before the regular Board meetings at a time to be determined by Chairman Ricks and the Board cover committee meetings on Wednesday nights except the Finance Committee, and the monthly Board meeting be held at 10:00 o'clock on Thursdays mornings preceded by a Finance Committee at 8:30 or 9:00 a.m. depending upon contents. Motion, seconded by Perrin Purvis, carried unanimously.

EdNet Board Report

01. Paul Breazeale reported that the EdNet Board had a very productive meeting with Federal Communications Commission in Washington on October 31, and FCC officials stated that the Commission would act on the SBCJC application within ten days after receiving it.

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02. Mr. Breazeale explained some of the contents of the contract and recommended that the Board meet and look at the contract, evaluate it, and approve it.
03. Board members expressed total confidence in Mr. Breazeale as the Board's representative to EdNet.

Ad Hoc Committee Report

In the absence (due to a business conflict) of Nell Rogers, chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee, the Executive Director pointed out to the Board a written report from which revealed the following actions of the committee:

01. The committee met on November 8 and reviewed the work on the Policy/Procedure Manual on a page-by-page basis.
02. The committee agreed that the following steps be taken:
 - 1) Legal counsel review identified sections.
 - 2) Sections relating to inner-office procedures should be revised.
 - 3) Staff make suggested changes recommended by the committee.
 - 4) Committee meet again to hear comments from legal counsel and review other matters.
 - 5) All changes are to be resubmitted to consultant for revisions to the draft in accordance with the committee's format.
 - 6) The Ad Hoc Committee along with staff will review the consultant's final draft and then prepare the manual for presentation to the full Board.
 - 7) The manual will be prepared in such a manner that all changes which differ from existing policy or which present new policy for consideration are clearly indicated.

Special Joint Planning Committee

The Executive Director announced that Chairman Ricks had appointed a Special Joint Planning Committee, charged with developing further the concepts envisioned at the joint meeting of the Board and presidents. The Special Joint Planning Committee is comprised of three Board members, three presidents, the president of the Trustees' Association, and the Executive Director.

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Dr. Ray informed the Board that Dr. David Powe, president of Mississippi Delta Community College announced his resignation effective December 1991, and Delta's Board had named Harmon Boggs as acting president.

Travel Authorization

Based on the recommendation of the Executive Director, and on a motion by Bob Breeden, seconded by Alton Bankston, the Board approved the following travel reimbursement:

Paul Breazeale, EdNet meeting, October 31 and November 7; Jeannet Boston, Alton Bankston, regional legislative meeting, November 18; Amos Bridges, Barbara Ricks, Nell Rogers, Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, November 8.

At this time copies of the 1990-91 Statistical Data was distributed.

Also distributed were copies of Economic Impact Through Industrial Training - 1990-1991 Annual Report. Dr. Worth Haynes provided information about the contents of this publication.


Other Business

At this time, questions raised by Amos Bridges concerning associate degree nursing programs were answered and discussed.

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Lanny Monroe, the Board expressed appreciation for the superior hospitality and accommodation of Pearl River Community College and staff. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Lanny Monroe, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.


Barbara S. Ricks, Chairman


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Executive Director