

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
JULY 22, 1994

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at 9:00 a.m., on Friday, July 22, 1994, in the Esquire Room of the Broadwater Beach Resort Hotel in Biloxi, Mississippi.

Members present: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Amos Bridges, Patricia Puckett, Perrin Purvis, Barbara Ricks, William Seal, Hazel Terry, and George Walker.

Member absent: Nell Rogers.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, William Box, William Bunch, Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Sandra Lucas, Robert L. McClellan, and Frankie Walton White.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Breazeale at 9:00 a.m.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Reverend Amos Bridges.

Acknowledgments/Introductions

Paul Breazeale recognized and welcomed the following visitors: Dr. Tommy Davis, East Mississippi Community College, Dr. Bobby Garvin and Jack Harper, Mississippi Delta Community College, Dr. Barry Mellinger, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Christine Skinner, Pete Ball, Jackie Ball, Eola Ball, and Al Ball.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Alton Bankston, the Board approved the minutes of the June 16, 1994, meeting as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by George Walker, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda with the following changes: Dr. Barry Mellinger would give the MACJC report and Don Griffith would give a report on the Stevenson-Wydler Act.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray recommended that the SBCJC recognize Dr. Eddie Smith for the outstanding leadership he provided to the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges during his term as Chairman. On a motion by George Walker, seconded by Alton Bankston, the

Board voted unanimously to present Dr. Eddie Smith with a plaque in recognition of his service to the MACJC at the 1994 MACJC Trustees' Association meeting.

Dr. Ray reported that a considerable amount of progress has been made in resolving issues involving planning and program approval as a result of the Board's request to the State Department of Education's Bureau of Vocational and Technical Education.

Dr. Ray informed Board members that photographs taken at the last meeting are ready for selection.

Executive Director's Travel Schedule:

- July 26 - McComb and Tylertown, Phi Theta Kappa Meetings
- July 28 - Mississippi Community College Leadership Program, Lake Tiak-O-Khata
- August 4 - Meeting with business leaders in Pascagoula, MS
- August 5 - Business Managers Meeting, Vicksburg, MS
- August 12 - Coahoma Community College, Clarksdale, MS
- August 16 - MS Gulf Coast Community College

George Walker reported on the Work Force Education Committee meeting held prior to the Board meeting. The Work Force and Education Act became effective July 1, 1994, and staff additions have been made for implementation of the Act.

REPORTS/ACTION

MACJC REPORT

Dr. Barry Mellinger welcomed Board members to the Mississippi Gulf Coast and reported on the following items discussed at the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges' meeting on June 28, 1994:

Dr. Ray gave the Association a report on telecommunications for community colleges. A discussion followed on how the Community College Network would operate.

Dr. Ray reported to the Association on the Board's action of adopting the community college legislative program, and shared plans for the five-year strategic plan for community colleges.

Dr. Ray talked with the Association about the Work Force and Education Act and reviewed implementation of that plan. Computer hardware and software needs to implement this program were discussed.

Dr. Eddie Smith presented a resolution to Horace Holmes, President of Southwest Mississippi Community College, for being awarded an honorary doctoral degree from Mississippi College for the Association's approval.

A committee assigned to work with IHL for securing assistance with employment of qualified nursing instructors for ADN nursing programs, reported on results of their efforts.

Dr. Bobby Garvin reported on plans for the community colleges' legislative capital improvements program requests.

A report was received from a committee established to develop selection criteria for a technology consultant.

A discussion was held on SACS requirements dealing with distance learning.

Dr. Clyde Muse presented the MACJC Legislative Committee report.

Problems related to requirements for certified security officers and contracted campus security officers were discussed.

Following announcements and lunch, the presidents discussed athletic agenda items.

Mr. Breazeale asked Dr. Mellinger to give the Board a brief overview of the recent Community College Network implementation. Dr. Mellinger reported that an interactive video classroom is located at each of the fifteen community and junior colleges, one at Mississippi State University and one at the University Medical Center. Private industry has already voiced an interest in utilizing the network for training. Dr. Tommy Davis reported that the work force specialists' have already utilized the statewide interactive network for a meeting to share information on software used in their programs.

Finance Committee

Patricia Puckett asked Deborah Gilbert to cover items on the Finance Committee agenda.

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by Amos Bridges, and a second by George Walker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the August 1994, disbursements from fund 2298, in the amount of \$4,422,058. (Exhibit A)

Mrs. Gilbert presented the Bimonthly Capital Bond Project Report prepared by Dr. Larry Day on Senate Bills 3057 and 3192 for the Board's information. No action was required. (Exhibit B)

Mrs. Gilbert presented a report on the final disbursement for FY 1994 of Education Enhancement Funds, in the amount of \$1,574,637, for the Board's information. No action was required. (Exhibit C)

Financial Statements on funds 2291 and 3291 were presented for the Board's information. No action was required. (Exhibit D)

In other business, upon staff recommendation, a motion by George Walker, and a second by Amos Bridges, the board voted unanimously to draft a letter of commendation to Northwest Mississippi Community on receiving an unqualified audit opinion.

Also, Mrs. Gilbert reported that the SBCJC has received approval of the negotiated indirect cost proposal rate. The negotiated rate increased from 15.9% for FY 1994 to 18.8% for FY 1995.

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by Alton Bankston, the Board voted unanimously to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

Program Committee

Amos Bridges asked Bill Bunch to cover the items listed on the Program Committee agenda.

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by Amos Bridges, and a second by George Walker, the Board voted unanimously to approve program applications from Southwest Mississippi Community College, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Perkinston Campus, and Jefferson Davis Campus for Child Development Technology 2.3/20/0201.

Mr. Bunch distributed a Program Committee Activity Report for the year 1993-94. No action was required. (Exhibit E)

In other business, upon staff recommendation, a motion by George Walker, and a second by Amos Bridges, the Board voted unanimously to give final approval to Itawamba Community College's request for changes of certificate level programs in Automotive Mechanics Technology, Electrician Technology, Heating and Air Conditioning Technology, and Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology. Tentative approval for these changes was given at the June Board meeting.

GED High Score Award

Bill Box, Director of the GED program, introduced Mr. Alvin Ball, the recipient of a national award won by receiving the highest grade on the GED examination in Mississippi in 1993. Mr. Box also introduced Ms. Christine Skinner, Adult Education Director and GED testing examiner for Harrison County Schools, where Mr. Ball attended classes and took the GED examination. Mr. Breazeale presented Mr. Ball a plaque for his outstanding achievement and offered congratulations on behalf of the SBCJC.

Mr. Ball introduced members of his family attending the meeting and addressed the Board, expressing his appreciation to each and every person responsible for helping him to receive his GED certificate. He commended the Board for their efforts to further adult literacy and strongly urged that efforts be strengthened.

Lobbying Law Reform Act of 1994

Mr. Breazeale asked Assistant Attorney General Frankie Walton White to give the Board an overview of the Lobbying Law Reform Act of 1994 as it applies to SBCJC members.

Ms. White distributed copies of the law and reviewed key points for Board members' information. The Act will take effect on January 1, 1995. As of this date the Act has not been submitted to the United States Department of Justice, nor has a committee working with the Secretary of State's office been established to work out questionable areas. Ms. White asked for the Board's statements or questions. She will keep the Board advised of any action taken on the Bill that would be applicable to the SBCJC.

Stevenson-Wydler Act

Mr. Don Griffith, Supply & Equipment Management Officer for NASA, distributed a packet of information on the implementation of the Stevenson-Wydler Act's school donation program. This program offers educational institutions an opportunity to apply for and receive at no cost excess surplus property. He covered procedures for reviewing surplus property at NASA Space Center, and the application process to follow for claiming and receiving of this equipment at no cost with the exception of transportation cost that might be involved.

Five-Year Strategic Plan

Mr. Bill Bunch covered the requirement in Senate Bill 2995, passed during the Legislative Session of 1994, mandating the development of a five-year strategic plan for state agencies. The bill does not cover community and junior colleges, however, the interpretation of the Legislative Budget Office and the Department of Finance and Administration is that community and junior colleges are covered under the mandate. The dates included for the strategic five-year plan cover fiscal year 1996 through the year 2000. A composite plan for the fifteen community colleges is being processed including components for academic instruction, vocational-technical instruction, other instruction, instructional support, student services, institutional support, physical plant operation, student financial aid, and program enhancements. Staff will prepare a five-year plan for the SBCJC including four program areas: administration, work force education, proprietary school and college registration, and special development.

Dr. Ray recommended that a special committee be appointed, by the Chairman, to assemble and review the Board's historical mission and name objectives for the five-year plan.

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by George Walker, the Board voted unanimously to appoint a special committee to develop a five-year strategic plan for the SBCJC.

Mr. Breazeale asked for volunteers to serve on this committee. George Walker, Perrin Purvis, Alton Bankston, William Seal, Amos Bridges and Barbara Ricks volunteered.

EdNet Report

Paul Breazeale reported on the EdNet Board meeting held on June 21, 1994.

Travel Authorization

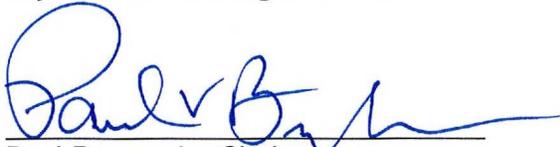
Paul Breazeale asked for requests for travel reimbursements other than regular Board meetings. On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by George Walker, the Board unanimously approved a request for reimbursement from Paul Breazeale for an EdNet Board meeting on June 21, 1994.

Other Business

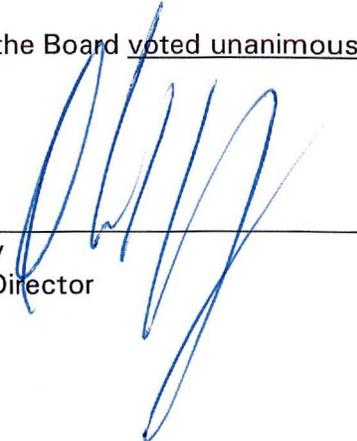
Mac McClellan informed SBCJC members of the schedule for the MACJC Trustee's meeting that will begin at 3:00 p. m. today. All Board members were urged to attend.

Adjournment

On a motion by George Walker, seconded by Paul Breazeale, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.



Paul Breazeale, Chairman



Olon E. Ray
Executive Director