

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
OCTOBER 19, 1995

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held on Thursday, October 19, 1995, at 9:55 a.m., at Coahoma Community College in Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Members present: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, John Junkin, II, Patricia Puckett, Perrin Purvis, Nell Rogers, William Seal, Hazel Terry, and George Walker.

Members absent: Yvonne Brown and Hazel Terry.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, Becky Cade, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Sandra Lucas, R. L. McClellan, Ed Schneider and Frankie White.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Breazeale at 9:55 a.m.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Perrin Purvis.

Acknowledgment/Introductions

Chairman Breazeale thanked Dr. Vivian Presley, President of Coahoma Community College, for hosting the October Board meeting.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by George Walker, the Board approved the minutes of the September 21, 1995, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda as presented.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray reported on the downsizing of Phillips College including the closing of their Jackson location. Approximately 275 - 300 students are involved in the closing. Phillips has contacted Hinds Community College to arrange for some students to complete their plan of study.

Dr. Ray and George Walker attended a meeting with George Autry of MDC, in North Carolina, to discuss the outcome of block grants.

Pursuant to the Boards' request, Dr. Ray reported on his correspondence with the Ethics Commission regarding Mr. Edward Moore's purchase of Southern Drivers Academy. Mr. Moore is a member of the Commission on Proprietary Schools and College Registration. The Ethics Commission stated that anyone who benefits by a knowledge of and access to information would be in violation of ethics laws; however, just being a member of the Commission does not create such a situation. The letter further stated that Mr. Moore should not be present when Southern Drivers Academy was being discussed by the Commission and that he could not vote on any matter concerning that school.

Dr. Ray reminded Board members of the changes in Board meeting dates as follows:

November 17, 1995, SBCJC Board Room.

December 13, and 14, 1995, - University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi.

May or June, Natchez, Mississippi, in connection with the Natchez Literary Festival on
May 30 - June 1, 1995

Dr. Ray read a resolution prepared to commemorate the 40th anniversary of Jones County Junior College's and Comptom Community College's participation in the Junior Rose Bowl in 1955. On a motion by George Walker, and a second by Nell Rogers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution that will be presented to both schools during the 1995 Homecoming ceremonies at Jones County Junior College on October 22, 1995.

Executive Director's Travel Schedule:

October 23 and 24 - Mississippi Association of Colleges meeting, Mississippi State University

October 26 - Coastal Legislative Delegation Meeting, Biloxi, Mississippi

November 13 - Veteran's Day Holiday - SBCJC office will be closed.

Dr. Ray reported on a meeting with community college presidents that explored the best ways to utilize support funds for the operation of the telecommunications initiative. A copy of recommendations adopted by the MACJC was distributed to each Board member.
(Exhibit A)

REPORTS/ACTION

MACJC Report

In Dr. David Haraway's absence, Dr. Vivian Presley, President of Coahoma Community College, presented the following items discussed during the September 26, 1995, meeting of the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges:

A report was received by Lieutenant Governor Eddie Briggs. He reported that State Bond Projects are progressing slowly due to a lack of state approved engineers and architects. Steps are being taken to alleviate this problem. Lieutenant Governor Briggs also stated that accountability would be the emphasis for education funding in FY 1996. He confirmed his commitment for Mid-Point salary funding, and stated that he had received good reports on the college tuition bills.

A report was received on the One-Stop Career Centers. Tom Lloyd and Greg Duncan of the Mississippi Employment Security Commission presented revised agreements between community colleges and the MESCC.

Two representatives from the FBI presented each community college a copy of a book, *Hoover's FBI*, to be placed in each college's library.

Dr. Eddie Smith reported on a letter written to the Vocational/Technical Division of the State Department of Education stating concerns regarding the viability of the curriculum of vocational programs at the community colleges. Dr. Smith had received no response to his letter as of the MACJC meeting.

The MACJC voted to defer action on a request from the Legislative Telecommunications Committee request until further information could be received.

Dr. Olon Ray reported that the next SBCJC meeting would be held at Coahoma Community College on October 19, 1995. Dr. Ray also presented to the presidents an opinion from the Attorney General's office stating that carryover funds could not be carried forth more than fourteen months past the date of origin.

Deborah Gilbert presented a report on the Mid-Point Salary Plan.

William Bunch, Jr., reported on a request from the Mississippi Legislature to remove SBCJC assessments from the community colleges, and that one year certificate programs be included in the Mississippi Tuition Grant program.

Dr. David Haraway gave the Chairman's report. Letters of thanks were received from Ronnie Musgrove and Dick Molpus for their meetings with the MACJC.

Dr. Clyde Muse gave the Legislative Committee Report.

The Association voted to renew an advertisement placed in the Rural Electric Bulletin, and to print a brochure listing the new capital improvement projects program for community colleges.

Finance Committee

John Junkin and Deborah Gilbert covered items listed on the Finance Committee agenda.

On a motion by John Junkin and a second by Alton Bankston the Board voted unanimously to approve the Aid to Colleges November disbursement in the amount of \$5,053,657. (Exhibit B)

On a motion by John Junkin and a second by Nell Rogers the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 31, 1995, Education Enhancement Disbursements from Fund 4080, Fund 4110, and Fund 4301 in the total amount of \$8,221,336.41. (Exhibit C)

On a motion by George Walker and a second by Patricia Puckett the Board voted unanimously to approve a formal purchasing policy that authorizes Dr. Olon Ray, SBCJC Executive Director, to accept the lowest and best competitive, written bid for purchases ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. Purchases of more than \$5,000, will be presented to the full Board for approval. (Exhibit D)

Deborah Gilbert reported on Guidelines for Disbursement of Recurring Technology Funds for FY 1996. On a motion by John Junkin and a second by George Walker the Board voted unanimously to approve the Guidelines for Disbursement of Recurring Technology Funds and the October Disbursement of these funds in the amount of \$748,000 for the fifteen community colleges, SBCJC office, and the Mississippi Library Commission. (Exhibit E)

John Junkin presented for the Board's review Financial Statements on Funds 2291, 3291, 3292, and 4300. (Exhibit F) No action was required.

John Junkin presented for the Board's review Compiled Financial Data from the Community Colleges as follows: Education and General Expenditures - FY 1995 (Exhibit G), County Tax Data - FY 95 (Exhibit H), Salary Review - including Midpoint update (Exhibit I), and Salary Schedule - FY 1996 (Exhibit J). No action was required.

Deborah Gilbert stated that business cards would be ordered for new Board members.

In other business, Dr. Larry Day presented the Bi-Monthly Capital Improvements Report on SB 3057 and SB 3304 for the Board's review. (Exhibit K) No action was required.

On a motion by Alton Bankston and a second by William Seal the Board voted unanimously to approve a Form Z-1 revision to move \$4,500,000 of FY 1995 carryover second period allotment funds to the first allotment period.

*The meeting recessed at 11:15

**The meeting reconvened at 11:25

Workforce Education Report

George Walker reported on items discussed during a Workforce Education Committee meeting held on Wednesday evening. (See minutes of Wednesday, October 18, 1995, meeting)

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

Quality Award Program

Ed Schneider reported to Board members on the success of the Quality Awards Program. There were 32 recipients of this award. The responses received from the program and publicity surrounding these awards has sparked significant interest for next year's program.

LBO Budget Hearing

Chairman Breazeale reported on the successful presentation of the budget hearing. Mr. Breazeale complimented staff for the organization of materials used in the presentation. Perrin Purvis also complimented staff members for the rapport that has been established with the Legislative body.

Regional Legislative Meetings

Dr. Ray reminded Board members of the upcoming 1995 regional legislative meetings. He urged all Board members to attend the meeting to be held in their area. The November Board meeting was moved in hopes that Board members could attend a Regional Legislative Meeting on November 16, at East Central Community College in Decatur, Mississippi, at 6:30 p.m.

Final Approval of Standards

After completion of the Administrative Procedures Act, a final copy of Community College Standards was presented to the Board for final approval. On a motion by William Seal, and a second by Alton Bankston, the Board voted unanimously to approve these standards.

Telecommunications Report/Recommendations

Becky Cade distributed to Board members a Telecommunications Report from the Council for Educational Technology. (Exhibit L) Mrs. Cade reported that the Council has completed the Master Technology Plan for K-12 through higher education. As a result of work efforts, Mississippi Library Commission, Mississippi State Department of Education, SBCJC, IHL, ETV, and ITS, have been asked to pass a resolution committing themselves to the current policies and protocols adopted in the Telecommunications Concept Committee Report and to future Council endeavors. On a motion by George Walker, and a second by Patricia Puckett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution as presented.
(Exhibit M)

EdNet Report

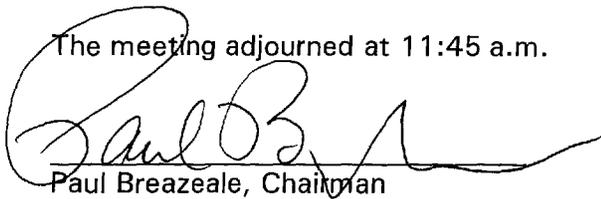
Chairman Breazeale reported that EdNet met on October 3, 1995. He also reported that \$100,000 has been expended for equipment and tower renovations to put the Gulf Coast cell on line.

Travel Authorizations

Chairman Breazeale asked for requests for travel authorization reimbursements other than regularly stated Board meetings. On a motion by John Junkin, seconded by George Walker, the Board voted unanimously to approve requests for reimbursement for travel incurred by Paul Breazeale in attending the LBO Budget Hearing on October 5, and an EdNet Board meeting on October 3, 1995.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.



Paul Breazeale, Chairman



Olof E. Ray
Executive Director