

**SBCJC
DINNER MEETING
BOARD WORK SESSION
JANUARY 18, 1996**

MINUTES

The Board met at 6:00 p.m. at Ralph and Kacoos The Seafood Restaurant in Jackson, Mississippi on January 18, 1996. Members present included: Paul Breazeale, Yvonne Brown, Alton Bankston, John Junkin, Patricia Puckett, Nell Rogers, William Seal, Hazel Terry and George Walker. The only member absent was Perrin Purvis. Others present were Olon Ray, Deborah Gilbert, Robert McClellan, Ed Schneider, Ray Smith, Frankie White, and Becky Cade.

Becky Cade, Deborah Gilbert, and Ray Smith presented an overview of the planning efforts and accompanying documents that were developed to satisfy the requirements of Senate Bill 2945. Senate Bill 2945 provides authority for the sale of approximately \$29 in bond funds to establish a telecommunications networks for the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges, the Mississippi Library Commission, and the state's fifteen public community and junior colleges. The purpose of the networks is to provide educational services among the colleges, businesses, community, and other educational entities. Documents reviewed included funds management procedures, a schedule of estimated bond issues by year, an amortization schedule, contracting procedures, and a resolution stating that the SBCJC has complied with all necessary legislative requirements.

George Walker and Olon Ray provided a brief report on concerns raised by a couple of the business members participating on the State Workforce Development Council. The Co-Chairs of the State Workforce Council requested that Dr. Ray and the business members of the Council meet on January 31, 1996 to further discuss these issues and develop solutions.

Dr. Ray also provided board members with copies of the PEER Committee Report on the Mississippi Community College Foundation. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.