

MINUTES
MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
Thursday, February 14, 2013

The committee of the whole of the Mississippi Community College Board (MCCB) met at 6:00 p.m. at Huntington's Grill in Jackson and then reconvened at 7:15 p.m. in the Jacksonian Room of the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, on Thursday, February 14, 2013.

Members present: Mrs. Patricia Dickens, Chair; Mr. Lee Bush; Mrs. Cheryl Thurmond; Mr. John Pigott; and Mr. Bubba Hudspeth.

MCCB Staff in attendance: Dr. Eric Clark, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert, Dr. Debra West, Dr. Shawn Mackey, and Mrs. Cynthia Jiles.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Patricia Dickens called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. She welcomed the Board members and then asked Dr. Clark to provide his report.

Dr. Clark reported that he and Deborah Gilbert met with Howard Brown, MCCB's budget analyst, on Tuesday, February 12. They also met with Representative Herb Frierson, Chairman of the House Appropriations committee, and Representative John Read, Chairman of our Appropriations sub-committee, to discuss the support budget for the community colleges and MCCB's budget.

Dr. Clark reported that Representative Jeff Smith, Chairman of the Ways and Means committee, has introduced a community college bond bill. HB 1617 provides \$25 million for the community colleges and \$3 million for the MCCB headquarters building. Dr. Clark reported that the money expected from the EDNET broadband leases is included in the bond bill which would help pay off the state bonds.

Dr. Clark reported that he and Deborah Gilbert have an appointment on Wednesday, February 20 with Senator Buck Clarke to discuss appropriations on the Senate side.

Dr. Clark reported that HB 117 and SB 2786 have passed both the House and Senate. These are consumer protection bills for proprietary schools and were requested by the MCCB.

Dr. Clark reported that three MCCB board members' terms expire in June of 2013: Mrs. Patricia Dickens, Mr. Bubba Hudspeth, and Mr. Bobby Steinriede.

Dr. Clark reported that he will present two items for approval:

- 1) Holding the April 2013 MCCB board meeting at Northeast CC and
- 2) The job description for Dr. Debra West, Deputy Executive Director for Programs and Accountability

Dr. Clark concluded his report.

Chairman Dickens called on Dr. Shawn Mackey to present the Career and Technical report.

Dr. Mackey will present three program requests for approval.

Dr. Mackey will also present the standard career readiness certificate report, the standard workforce report, and the WET Funds and Grants related activities. These are for informational purposes only and will not require approval.

Dr. Mackey concluded his report.

Chairman Dickens called on Dr. Debra West to provide her report.

Dr. West provided an update on the hiring process for the vacant position of Director of Monitoring and hopes to present a recommendation to the Board next month. This is for informational purposes only.

Dr. West concluded her report.

Chairman Dickens called on Deborah Gilbert to provide her report.

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert reported that she will present the following items at the Friday meeting:

Attachment 1: the approval request for the Education Enhancement Fund Disbursements out of Fund 4080 in the amount of \$3,266,228.00 and Fund 4111 in the amount of \$82,112.00, totaling \$3,348,340.00, effective February 28, 2013.
This will require approval.

Attachment 2: Purchasing Approvals over \$50,000.00:

- A. Venture Technologies – network equipment and software to be used for the Redundancy Project.
 - a. VCE Hardware, Vblock AMP and Vblock System Infrastructure - \$87,209.85
 - b. VCE Software, Software Support, Hardware Support, UIM - \$56,417.41
 - c. VBlock Deployment & Implementation - \$69,363.00
 - d. Factory Assembly & Shipping/Handling - \$26,233.00
 - i. TOTAL = \$249,233.26
- B. Instructure, Inc. – in the total amount of \$4,334,016.00 for five years was approved in January 2013 subject to final approval by the MCCB staff and subject to approval by the AG's office. Both of those approvals have occurred.

These will require approval.

Attachment 3: the Financial Statements from:

General Fund 2291, Fund 4111, and Special Funds as of January 31, 2013.

Report- No Action Required

Attachment 4: Property Audit on February 7, 2013, was conducted by the Office of the State Auditor. There were no missing equipment inventory items. Thanks to Phil Cumberland for a job well done.

Report- No Action Required

Attachment 5: Fidelity Bond Renewal – Coverage from 2/5/2013 to 2/5/2014; Premium - \$1,100.00.

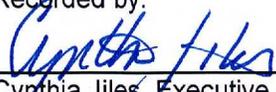
Report- No Action Required

Mrs. Gilbert concluded her report.

There being no other business, Chairman Dickens adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Recorded by:



Cynthia Jiles, Executive Assistant

Approved by:



Mrs. Patricia Dickens, Chairman



Dr. Eric Clark, Executive Director