

MINUTES
MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
Friday, November 21, 2014

The regular meeting of the Mississippi Community College Board was held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 21, 2014, at the Mississippi Community College Board, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Room 507 of the Education and Research Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

Members present: Mr. Bruce Martin, Chairman; Mr. Lee Bush; Mr. Bubba Hudspeth; Mrs. Dolly Marascalco; Mr. Todd Hairston; Mr. John Pigott; and Mrs. Sue Stedman. *Mrs. Cheryl Thurmond and Mr. Chip Crane participated via conference call. Board members not in attendance: Mr. Tom Gresham.*

MCCB Staff in attendance: Dr. Eric Clark, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert, Dr. Debra West, Dr. Shawn Mackey, Dr. Joan Haynes, Mr. Ray Smith, Ms. Audra Kimble, Mr. Kell Smith, Mr. Raul Fletes, Mrs. Cynthia Jiles, and Mrs. Brooke Doggett.

Guests in attendance: Dr. Johnny Allen, President of Northeast CC and Chair of MACJC; Mr. Dee Polk, Center for Economic Policy; Dr. Casey Turnage, Director of P-20 Initiatives and Enrollment Management for IHL; Mr. Chuck Rubisoff, Office of the Attorney General; Ms. Jewell Hillery, reporter for WLBT 3 of Jackson, MS; and Mr. Tracey James, cameraman for WLBT 3 of Jackson, MS.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and read the meeting notice for the December 19, 2014, MCCB board meeting.

MEETING NOTICE

The next monthly Board Meeting will be held on Friday, December 19, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 507 of the Education & Research Building, located at 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson. This meeting may be conducted as a teleconference meeting.

PRELIMINARIES

Chairman Martin welcomed all board members and visitors and then asked Mr. Bubba Hudspeth to provide the invocation.

Approval of October 17, 2014 Meeting Minutes

In a motion made by Mr. John Pigott and seconded by Mr. Lee Bush, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2014 MCCB Board meeting.

Approval of Agenda

In a motion made by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and seconded by Mr. Lee Bush, the MCCB Board **voted by roll call** to approve the November agenda amended to reflect the removal of Executive Director Qualifications from consideration under agenda item: Other Business. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Mr. Lee Bush, Mr. Chip Crane, Mr. Bubba Hudspeth, Mr. John Pigott, Mrs. Sue Stedman, and Mrs. Cheryl Thurmond. Nay: Mr. Todd Hairston, Mrs. Dolly Marascalco, and Mr. Bruce Martin. Motion carried with a vote of Aye: 6 and Nay: 3.

REPORTS/ACTIONS

Executive Director's Report

Dr. Eric Clark began his report by welcoming all board members and guests to the board meeting.

Dr. Clark introduced Mrs. Brooke Doggett, the Director of Training and Professional Development.

Dr. Clark reported that Dr. Shawn Mackey is coordinating the efforts to finalize nominees for the George F. Walker Workforce Training award.

Dr. Clark reported that the Senate Bill No. 2563 report was submitted to the Legislature prior to the November 3 deadline. Dr. Clark also reported that Governor Bryant's Executive Budget Recommendations, released earlier this week, included the \$50,000.00 per college requested in the report, to implement the recommendations of the Senate Bill 2563 Task Force.

Dr. Clark reported that he has met with Mr. Randy Reeves, Executive Director of the State Veterans Board, to address the new federal financial aid requirement. The requirement takes effect July 1, 2015, and prohibits universities and colleges from charging veterans and their dependents more than in-state tuition. Non-compliant institutions will not receive federal financial aid. At this time, our institutions do not have authority to waive out-of-state tuition in this manner. Therefore, MCCB is working with the Veterans Board and the Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) to present a bill to the Legislature that would make it legal to charge no more than in-state tuition to veterans and their dependents.

Dr. Clark reported that MCCB is also working with the Institutions of Higher Learning to address the guidelines of The Violence Against Women Act, that amends the Cleary Act, to create a plan for compliance so that students will be protected and the colleges not face sanctions from the federal government.

Dr. Clark reported that MCCB will purchase a large ad from Site Selection Magazine, a digital and print magazine, published by Conway Data. The ad is to promote the workforce training provided by Mississippi's community colleges. The magazine will produce a 2015 Mississippi Development Guide, in January 2015, to promote the Mississippi business climate in both domestic and international markets. The magazine will be distributed by the Mississippi Development Authority, other economic developers, and showcased on the magazine's website: www.siteselection.com.

Dr. Clark reported that on November 6, he attended Hinds Community College's business luncheon; on November 11, he attended Itawamba Community College's legislative luncheon; on November 13, he attended the legislative dinner hosted by East Central Community College, and on November 17, he spoke to the Starkville Rotary Club.

Dr. Clark reported that MCCB will be closed Thursday, November 20 and Friday, November 21 in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

Dr. Clark concluded his report.

MACJC Report

Dr. Johnny Allen provided a report on the 15 Mississippi Community Colleges. He reported that the colleges are closing out a successful fall 2014 semester, and they appreciate the work of the MCCB Board and staff.

Career and Technical Education and Workforce Training Report

Dr. Shawn Mackey presented: **Exhibit A1**, a New Option request for approval to offer an AAS degree, Technical Certificate, and Career Certificate for Electro-Mechanical Technician at East Mississippi Community College.

In a motion made by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and seconded by Mr. Lee Bush, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve the New Option/New Location requests to offer an AAS degree, Technical Certificate, and Career Certificate for Electro-Mechanical Technician at East Mississippi Community College.

Exhibit A2 is a request for approval to offer an Advance Certificate for Mechatronics Technician at East Mississippi Community College.

In a motion made by Mr. Lee Bush and seconded by Mrs. Sue Stedman, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve the Advance Certificate for Mechatronics Technician at East Mississippi Community College.

Exhibit B is the Career Readiness Certificate report. This is for information only and does not require Board approval.

Exhibit C is the standard Workforce Report. This is for information only and does not require Board approval.

Exhibit D is the standard WET Fund Revenue Report. This is for information only and does not require Board approval.

Dr. Mackey concluded his report.

Academic Affairs Report

Dr. Joan Haynes presented **Exhibit E, Exhibit F, Exhibit G and Exhibit H**, the summary report for the October 2014 meeting of the Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration. This is for information only and does not require board approval.

Dr. Haynes concluded her report.

Technology Report

Mr. Ray Smith reported to the Board that the 2015 Creating Futures Through Technology Conference (CFTTC) is scheduled for March 4-6 at the Beau Rivage in Biloxi, MS. Mr. Smith reported that he expects approximately 500 attendees this year and invited the board members to attend.

Mr. Smith concluded his report.

Research and Planning Report

Mr. Raul Fletes reported that each of the 15 community colleges has updated audit data through summer 2014. Mr. Fletes anticipates finalizing all open audits in the next three weeks.

Mr. Fletes completed his report.

Programs and Accountability Report

Dr. Debra West presented: **Exhibit I**, a request for approval to offer an integrated pathways program entitled: Business Office Technology Pathway program: Office Systems, and also to terminate the Childcare Technology Pathway program, both at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

In a motion made by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and seconded by Mrs. Sue Stedman, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve the new integrated pathways program entitled: Business Office Technology Pathway program: Office Systems, and also to terminate the Childcare Technology Pathway program, both at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Exhibit J is a request for two new off-campus sites at Hinds Community College:

1. Hinds County Penal Farm
2. Empire Truck Sales

In a motion made by Mr. Lee Bush and seconded by Mrs. Dolly Marascalco, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve the two new off-campus sites at Hinds Community College.

Dr. West concluded her report.

Deputy Executive Director Report, Finance and Administration

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert began her report by updating the Board on the Executive Director Search.

Mrs. Gilbert presented the Finance report, as follows:

Attachment 1: General Fund Disbursements – December 2014

Fund 2298 in the amount of \$10,403,415.00 and,

Next, Mrs. Gilbert reported on:

Attachment 2: Education Enhancement Fund – November 30, 2014

Fund 4080 in the amount of \$3,440,114.00
Fund 4110 in the amount of \$ 82,112.00
Total: \$3,522,226.00.

In a motion made by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and seconded by Mr. John Pigott, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve:

Attachment 1: the General Fund Disbursements out of Fund 2298, in the amount of \$10,403,415.00; and

Attachment 2: the Education Enhancement Fund – November 30, 2014, out of Fund 4080 in the amount of \$3,440,114.00; and Fund 4110 in the amount of \$82,112.00 for a total of \$3,522,226.00.

Next, Mrs. Gilbert reported on:

Attachment 3: Financial Statements:

General Fund 2291, Fund 4111 & Special Funds as of October 31, 2014.

This is for informational purposes only and does not require approval.

Next, Mrs. Gilbert reported on:

Attachment 4: Executive Budget Recommendations – FY 2016.

This is for informational purposes only and does not require approval.

Next, Mrs. Gilbert reported on:

Attachment 5: End of the Year (FY 2014) Reports (Revised).

This is for informational purposes only and does not require approval.

Mrs. Gilbert concluded her report.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

Chairman Martin asked if there were requests for travel reimbursements for events other than regularly scheduled Board meetings. In a motion made by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and seconded by Mrs. Dolly Marascalco, the MCCB Board **voted unanimously** to approve Mr. Lee Bush's travel to attend the Education Achievement Council meeting on October 23, 2014.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Bubba Hudspeth requested that a congratulatory letter be sent on behalf of the Board to East Mississippi Community College in recognition of winning the State Championship in football and defending the National Title in December.

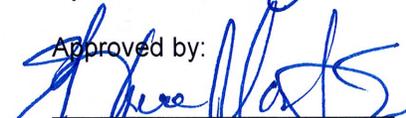
ADJOURNMENT

In a motion by Mr. John Pigott and in the absence of any further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Recorded by:


Cynthia Jiles, Executive Assistant

Approved by:


Mr. Bruce Martin, Chairman


Dr. Eric Clark, Executive Director

November Exhibits:

CTE
Curriculum and Instruction
Career Readiness Certificate
Workforce Report
WET Fund Reports
Academic/Student Affairs - CPSCR
Programs and Accountability
Finance Report
Dr. Clark's Handouts & News Articles

Exhibits A1 and A2
No Exhibit
Exhibit B
Exhibit C
Exhibit D
Exhibits E through H
Exhibits I and J
Separate Agenda