

MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE EDUCATION

April 15, 2010

A meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education was held on April 15, 2010, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at Embassy Suites in Charleston, West Virginia. Council members present were: Jerry Berry, Bob Brown, Ralph Kelly, John Panza, Clarence Pennington, Nelson Robinson and Greg Smith. Council members absent were: Kelley Goes, David Hendrickson, Stanley Hopkins, Mary McKinley, and Greg Wooten. Also in attendance were Chancellor James Skidmore, Council staff, community and technical college presidents, faculty and staff.

Call to Order

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and noted that a quorum was present. Before moving forward with Council business, he requested that a moment of silence be observed in honor of those who recently lost their lives in the Upper Big Branch South mine tragedy in Montcoal, West Virginia.

1. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Pennington moved the approval of minutes for the Council's meetings on January 21, 2010, February 18, 2010 and March 31, 2010. Mr. Berry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Academic Affairs

2. Final Approval of Series 19, *Guidelines for the Offering of College Courses for High School Students*

Mr. Robinson moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves Series 19, *Guidelines for the Offering of College Courses for High School Students*, as previously submitted to and reviewed by the Council on January 21, 2010.

Mr. Berry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance and Facilities

3. Approval of Technical Program Development Grant Awards

Mr. Kelly moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Technical Program Development grant awards as proposed.

Mr. Pennington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Institutional Capital Assessments

Mr. Robinson moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Fiscal Year 2011 institutional capital assessments.

Mr. Pennington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was requested that staff prepare a report for the next Council meeting on total debt service obligations and what effect the retirement of the old system bond debt in 2010 will have on the community and technical colleges.

5. Fiscal Year 2011 Higher Education Resource Assessment (HERA)

Mr. Smith moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Fiscal Year 2011 Higher Education Resource Assessment.

Mr. Panza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. Allocation of Fiscal Year 2011 State Appropriations to Institutions

Mr. Berry moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves allocations of Fiscal Year 2011 state appropriations to institutions.

Mr. Pennington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7. Presidential Salary Increase Deferment

Mr. Kelly moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education defers the approval of all presidential salary increase requests until such time as the Governor's Office of Personnel removes the restriction on salary increases.

Mr. Berry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

8. Reduction in Academic Year 2010-11 Tuition and Fees at Bridgemont Community and Technical College

Mr. Kelly moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves a reduction in the Academic Year 2010-11 tuition and fees for Bridgemont Community and Technical College.

Mr. Pennington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General

9. Advanced Technology Center Site for Advantage Valley Region

Mr. Robinson moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the *West Virginia Education, Research and Technology Park* located in South Charleston, West Virginia as the site for the Advanced Technology Center for the Advantage Valley Region.

Mr. Pennington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

10. Series 51, *Bookstores and Textbooks*

Mr. Robinson moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves Series 51, *Bookstores and Textbooks*, for final filing with the Secretary of State.

Mr. Berry seconded the motion.

Mr. Kelly moved to amend the resolution to reflect a change to section 3.1.6. by adding that colleges report any cost to the institution created by the implementation of Series 51.

Mr. Pennington seconded the amendment to the motion.

Mr. Robinson respectfully objected to the proposed amendment. Mr. Panza and Mr. Berry concurred with Mr. Robinson's objection.

Motion to amend the resolution failed.

The original resolution was put to a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Information Items

11. Authorization of National College

Mark Stotler, Assistant Director of Academic Affairs, reported that National College is seeking approval from the Higher Education Policy Commission to establish a campus in Princeton, West Virginia. According to Series 20, *Authorization of Degree Granting Institutions*, an institution offering any degree above the associate degree level must be approved by the Higher Education Policy Commission. National College proposes to offer one baccalaureate degree.

It was discussed that the Council should revisit Series 20 concerning the responsibility between the Council and the Higher Education Policy Commission of authorizing colleges to operate in West Virginia based on both level of and number of degrees offered.

12. 2010 Legislative Session Update

Bruce Walker, General Counsel, provided a summary of bills relating to higher education that were passed during the 2010 legislative session and explained in detail the impact of each bill.

13. WVNET Update

Kevin Walthers, Vice Chancellor for Administration, discussed with the Council recent issues surrounding WVNET's property. Henry Blosser, WVNET Director, explained to the Council the expanded responsibility to provide services to the newly separated community colleges. Dr. Walthers stated that the expertise offered by WVNET staff is a critical component to managing many of the services provided to the community colleges, but of utmost importance is that core, enterprise systems continue to function without interruption, regardless of management structure or location.

14. Update on Capital Improvement Revenue Bond Projects

Richard Donovan, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update on progress to implement various capital improvement revenue bond projects at the community and technical colleges.

15. Update on Presidential Search at Eastern WV Community and Technical College

During the Council's conference call on March 31, 2010, Bob Brown, Butch Pennington and Nelson Robinson were appointed to serve on the presidential search committee at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College.

Chair Brown and Chancellor Skidmore provided information to the Council on the committee's progress toward the selection of the next president.

16. Update on Presidential Search at Pierpont Community and Technical College

During the Council's conference call on March 31, 2010, Bob Brown, Ralph Kelly and John Panza were appointed to serve on the presidential search committee at Pierpont Community and Technical College. Chancellor Skidmore indicated that the Pierpont Board of Governors will meet on the afternoon of Friday, April 16, to approve the selection of a president. Therefore, an emergency conference call meeting of the Council has been scheduled for Monday, April 19, 2010, to approve the Pierpont Board of Governors' selection.

17. Council's Annual Planning Meeting Content and Format

Chancellor Skidmore discussed with the Council its wishes regarding content and format of the next Annual Planning Meeting scheduled for June 16, 2010, in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He requested that Council members email him regarding any subject matter they wish to have addressed. The meeting is coordinated with the Council's regular business meeting scheduled for June 17, 2010, at West Virginia University at Parkersburg.

Additional Board Action and Comments

18. Resolution Honoring President Blair Montgomery, Pierpont Community and Technical College

Mr. Kelly moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. Blair Montgomery has retired after 36 years of service in higher education in the State of West Virginia; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Montgomery served with distinction at Fairmont State College as Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and later as Director of Fairmont State's Clarksburg Center; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Montgomery worked to develop the Gaston Caperton Center in Clarksburg; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Montgomery was appointed as Provost of Fairmont State Community and Technical College in 2001 and provided leadership for the college to achieve independent accreditation; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Montgomery accepted appointment as inaugural president of what is now Pierpont Community and Technical College in April 2004; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Montgomery, despite many challenges, has served the Fairmont community and Pierpont Community and Technical College with dedication and pride;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education extends best wishes to Blair and his wife Sue for health and happiness in the years ahead;

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, That this resolution be inscribed upon the Council minutes of April 15, 2010.

Mr. Panza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

19. Phi Theta Kappa Recognition

Chancellor Skidmore shared with the Council that during the Phi Theta Kappa recognition ceremony held in the Governor's office on April 9, 2010, Rondah Lowe, who attends New River Community and Technical College, was selected as Phi Theta Kappa's New Century Scholar. She is a veteran and a grandmother who will be recognized at the national AACC convention in Seattle, Washington this week.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

Location: West Virginia University at Parkersburg
Parkersburg, WV
Date: June 17, 2010
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Robert Brown

Chairman

Gregory Smith

Secretary