

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING
Monday, June 15, 2009**

MINUTES

Chair Coleman Peterson called the Board of Trustees of NorthWest Arkansas Community College meeting to order on Monday, June 15, 2009, at 4:33 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Student Center.

Members Present: Coleman Peterson (Chair), Alex Vasquez, Robert Teague, Mark Lundy, Joan Clifford, Linda Bisbee, Johnny Haney, Mike Shupe, Joe Spivey

Also in Attendance: Dr. Steve Gates

MINUTES

Mrs. Bisbee moved and Mr. Spivey seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting on May 26, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS (EL-200 Global Executive Restraints)

Dr. Susan Holmes explained to the Board that the Global Executive Restraints are in place to ensure that the President will not cause or allow any practice, activity, decisions, or organizational circumstance which is either unlawful, imprudent or in violation of commonly accepted business or professional ethics or Board of Trustee policy.

Dr. Holmes noted that NWACC had elected to be audited by the Legislative Audit Division and was in full compliance with all requirements.

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS (EL-105 Emergency Presidential Succession)

Mr. Peterson pointed out to the Board that the Emergency Presidential Succession Limitation is the same as the one that was presented last year. He said that in the instance that the President is unable to administer college activities, Dr. Steven Gates would be the first in line for succession and Dr. John Tuthill second. Mr. Peterson asked that the new trustees look over the information.

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Mr. Spivey said that the Topping out Ceremony for the new Global Business Development Center was planned for July 7th. He told the Board that representatives from Mercy Hospital have come to NWACC regarding the purchase of the Mercy Health Center at 3101 S.E. 14th Street in Bentonville. Mr. Spivey noted that Board approval was needed to begin negotiations with Mercy Hospital.

Dr. Gates said that the possible purchase had been discussed for several weeks. He said that the purchase of the building would help extend the Master Plan. Mr. Haney asked that a timeframe be put

onto the negotiations. Mr. Spivey said that Mr. Haney had made a good point and they did not want to be boxed into doing this too soon. Mr. Peterson asked for note to be taken that there should be some closure on this issue by October.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO PROPERTY PURCHASE NEGOTIATIONS

Mrs. Clifford moved and Mr. Teague seconded the motion to approve the authorization to enter into property purchase negotiations. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gates said that he has been working with Mr. Victor Veith regarding the Child Protection Training Center, and was in the process of completing paperwork to move the project forward. He noted that Senator's Lincoln and Pryor as well as Representative Boozman had released a press release regarding the \$500,000 that NWACC received for the Child Protection Training Center.

Dr. Gates told the Board that NWACC has been working with the Arkansas Department of Energy to try and make the college a designated Center of Excellence for Green Job Training in weatherization and energy efficiency with the National Department of Energy. Dr. Gates also reiterated that the Topping out Ceremony for the Global Business Development Center will be on July 7th 2009.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Peterson said that Dr. Holmes took Board members Mrs. Bisbee and Mr. Shupe to Washington, D.C. for the ACCT New Trustee Conference. Mrs. Bisbee thanked the Board for allowing them to go to the conference. She also thanked Dr. Holmes for her assistance. Mr. Shupe discussed the manual that he brought back from the conference and offered copies to any Board member who would like a copy. He said that conduct and areas of concern or understanding were discussed as well as budgeting. He also thanked the Board and Dr. Holmes.

Mr. Peterson said that he spoke at the Economic Business Development Summit sponsored by the University of Tennessee Martin and held at Dyersburg Community College. He said that he was pleased to talk about our college. He thanked Dr. Gates and Dr. Kater for their assistance in gathering information for this presentation.

OTHER BOARD ACTION

Addendum to NWACC-NWACC Foundation MOU

Mrs. Jill Wagar said that the Foundation has been reviewing its governing documents in light of the new IRS regulations that affect non-profits. She said that during that process it was determined that a modification needed to be made to the Memorandum of Understanding between NWACC and NWACC Foundation. She said that when the MOU was originally executed in January of 2004, the NWACC Foundation had one employee whose salary was paid by the NWACC Foundation. Since then, the foundation has transitioned to a model where the College employs Institutional Development staff who

carry out the functions of the Foundation. She asked that the Board approve making this addendum to the MOU between the College and the NWACC Foundation.

APPROVAL OF NWACC-NWACC FOUNDATION MOU

Mrs. Clifford moved and Mr. Spivey seconded the motion to approve the NWACC-NWACC Foundation MOU. The motion passed unanimously.

Promotional and Recruitment Items

Dr. Showalter said that what he is asking to be approved was actually approved last month in the budget. He said that the state requires that promotional items be pulled and approved separately. He asked that the Board approve the promotional and recruitment items.

APPROVAL OF PROMOTIONAL AND RECRUITMENT ITEMS

Mrs. Clifford moved and Mr. Vasquez seconded the motion to approve the promotional and recruitment items. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Spivey moved and Mrs. Clifford seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Mr. Coleman Peterson, Chairperson

Mr. Alex Vasquez, Secretary