

**BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING**

June 11, 2001  
5:07 p.m.

Building 10, Student Center, Room 112A  
Melbourne Campus

**PRESENT:** Mr. Eugene C. Johnson, Chairman; Mrs. Betts O. Silvernail; Mr. James W. Handley; Dr. Alexandra M. Penn Williams; Mr. Joe D. Matheny, Attorney; Dr. Thomas E. Gamble, Secretary

**ABSENT:** Mrs. Miriam E. Martinez, Vice Chairman

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. Johnson, Chairman called the meeting to order. He reported the purpose of the special Board meeting was to request approval from the Board of the Titusville Campus President recommendation. After an organized selection process, Dr. Gamble reported he is ready to make a recommendation for the new Titusville Campus President. Mr. Gilfilen reported on the selection process and stated there were 47 applicants, who responded to the nationwide advertising. A committee comprised of seven voting members, with support from Ms. Joni Oglesby and her department, selected seven semi-finalists. The semi-finalists were then interviewed through a video interview process. Three finalists were selected from the process: Dr. Cheryl Thompson-Stacy from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College; Dr. Pedro Rocha from Elizabeth Campus of Union City College in Elizabeth, New Jersey; and Dr. Laurence Spraggs, Vice President of Instruction from Red Rocks Community College in Lakewood, Colorado. The committee members included: Rick Story, Data Systems; Gloria Bartley, Titusville Campus; Robin Campbell, Titusville Campus; Dan Henderson, Titusville Campus; Dr. Jim Yount, Titusville Campus; and Dr. Frank Williams, representing the community and a former trustee. In addition to being interviewed by the Search Committee and District Cabinet, the finalists had a community interview and reception. The candidates then met with the Associate Vice President, Human Resources, for discussion of technical issues and for an interview with Dr. Gamble and with Mr. Johnson, Board Chair. Dr. Gamble stated the overwhelming recommendation of the committee, the community, his assessment and the opinion of the Chairman of the Board, was the recommendation of Dr. Laurence Spraggs as Titusville Campus President.

Dr. Gamble reported Dr. Spraggs has a distinguished career in education beginning as a public high school teacher in biology, which is his major. He has a Baccalaureate, Masters, and Doctorate in Biology. Dr. Spraggs' experiences, which cover the period from 1969 to the present, show increased responsibility and authority in the community college sector. Dr. Gamble recommended to the Board of Trustees the appointment of Dr. Laurence Spraggs as the new Titusville Campus President effective July 1, 2001.

Mrs. Betts Silvernail moved approval of Dr. Laurence Spraggs as the Titusville Campus President. Dr. Penn Williams seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion – Handley, Penn Williams, Johnson, Silvernail; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved.

2. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairman, District Board of Trustees**

**ATTESTED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Secretary, District Board of Trustees**