

**BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING**

February 23, 2004  
4:30 p.m.

Lecture Auditorium, Bldg. 1  
Palm Bay Campus

**PRESENT:** Mr. James W. Handley, Chair; Dr. Alexandra M. Penn Williams, Vice Chair;  
Mr. C. R. "Rick" McCotter III; Mrs. Miriam E. Martinez; Mrs. Alberta K. Wilson;  
Mr. Joe D. Matheny, Attorney; Dr. Thomas E. Gamble, Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. James Handley, Chair, called the meeting to order.

a. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

Dr. Gamble requested that Item 8.a., Personnel Actions, be added to the consent agenda.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mr. Handley recommended approval of the consent agenda items:

- 3.a. Approval of Minutes – Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting – January 26, 2004
- 3.b. Approval of Minutes – Board of Trustees Meeting – January 26, 2004
- 6.a. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Cocoa Bldg. #20 Re-Roofing
- 8.a. Personnel Actions
- 8.b. Approval of Out-of-Country Travel for Ms. Pulido
- 8.c. Approval of NASFAA Institutional Membership
- 8.d. Approval of Revisions to Fee Schedule
- 9.a. Approval of Monthly Budget Status Report, January 2004

Mr. McCotter moved approval of the consent agenda items. Mrs. Martinez seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion – McCotter, Martinez, Handley, Penn Williams, and Wilson; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved.

**3. APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

a. Minutes – Board of Trustees Workshop – January 26, 2004

Approved – consent agenda.

- b. Minutes – Board of Trustees Meeting – January 26, 2004

Approved – consent agenda.

**4. COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Report on the University Center at the Palm Bay Campus – Dr. Purga/  
Mr. Caldwell and Ms. Yannotti

Dr. Bert Purga, Campus President, Palm Bay, reported that the Palm Bay Campus was opened in January 1990 as the Florida Advanced Technology Center. The planned purpose at that time was to provide technical education to students rather than pre-transfer higher education. Additional property was added in the early 1990's allowing designation as a comprehensive campus. At that time, freshman and sophomore curricula was brought to South Brevard County and a commitment was made to the community to assist them in furthering higher education opportunities. Throughout the years, BCC has worked closely with Florida Institute of Technology (FIT) and have partnered in more recent years with the University of Central Florida (UCF), Webster University and Barry University. He stated that Dr. Drake (UCF) and Ms. Yannotti (Webster) will provide a report on partnership accomplishments thus far between BCC and their respective institutions.

University of Central Florida

Dr. Purga introduced Dr. James Drake, Regional Director, UCF, Cocoa, who introduced his colleagues and principals in the partnership efforts: Dr. John Detrick, Associate Director, Southern Region, UCF, Cocoa; Dr. Harold (Sonny) Utt, Professor, Communicative Disorders; and Mr. Robert Caldwell, Coordinator, UCF, Palm Bay. Dr. Drake reported that this is UCF's 25<sup>th</sup> year in a cooperative 2+2 model between UCF and BCC. Dr. Drake also reported that Palm Bay is experiencing tremendous growth and is typical of other high-growth areas that require local educational alternatives in teacher education, health services education, as well as liberal studies business programs and UCF strives to mesh its offerings with other institutions in order to serve the public's needs. UCF currently employs 270 full-time staff in Brevard County, including 70 full-time resident faculty. Dr. Drake indicated that BCC and UCF currently share one faculty member. He stated that, to his knowledge, this is the only such sharing arrangement in the state and further explorations into the possibility of further faculty/staff-sharing opportunities are being discussed.

Dr. Gamble and the Board extended congratulations and thanks for their cooperative efforts, including the joint Palm Bay construction project.

Webster University

Dr. Purga introduced Ms. Debbie Yannotti, Palm Bay Director, Webster University. Dr. Purga reported that in 1998 Webster University provided funding for a computer lab on the third floor of Building 1 of the Palm Bay Campus. The 20-station computer lab is used by BCC students during the week and Webster University students on the weekend to complete off-site learning toward their Master's Degree programs. Webster University uses this space rent-free. Ms. Yannotti reported on the history and background of Webster University, which has campuses worldwide. She stated that their main focus is to provide graduate education to the working professional. Palm Bay began the relationship with Webster University in 1997 initially as a classroom center, but expanded to a full service campus approximately one year ago due to the rapid population growth in the area. There are currently four full-time staff and two part-time staff housed at the Palm Bay Campus, serving approximately 180 students, with plans to continue expansion.

**5. CITIZEN'S PRESENTATION:**

None.

**6. CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT:**

- a. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Cocoa Bldg. #20 Re-Roofing – Mr. Little

Approved – consent agenda.

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Report on Pending Legal Actions – Mr. Matheny

None.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Personnel Actions – Ms. Oglesby

Approved – consent agenda.

- b. Approval of Out-of-Country Travel for Ms. Pulido – Dr. Spraggs

Approved – consent agenda.

- c. Approval of NASFAA Institutional Membership – Mr. Cherry

Approved – consent agenda.

- d. Approval for Revisions to Fee Schedule – Mr. Little

Approved – consent agenda.

- e. Request for Board Meeting Agenda Items

None.

**9. FINANCIAL ACTIONS:**

- a. Approval of Monthly Budget Status Report, January 2004 – Mr. Cherry

Approved – consent agenda.

**10. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT:**

Dr. Gamble expressed his thanks for the trustees' support and unanimous attendance at the FACC Trustees Commission Legislative Workshop and subsequent visits with legislators on February 17-18, 2004. Dr. Gamble stated he will keep the Board informed of future developments.

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. Alumni Association – Mrs. Wilson

No report, however, Mrs. Wilson informed Board of the Community Partnership meeting scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on March 5, 2004, and welcomed their attendance.

- b. BCC Foundation – Mr. Handley

Mr. Handley reported that the search for the new Foundation Executive Director has now been narrowed to two candidates, who are being interviewed with final selection to be made in the near future.

- c. Cocoa Village Playhouse – Mr. McCotter

Mr. McCotter invited Dr. Fettrow to provide an update on the Cocoa Village Playhouse. Dr. Fettrow reported that the Capital Campaign plans are progressing as well as the search for a new leader for the project. Dr. Fettrow encouraged contact with legislators regarding support of the Historical Preservation funding, which would fully fund the Playhouse if approved in its entirety.

d. King Center for the Performing Arts – Mrs. Martinez

Mrs. Martinez reported that the endowment fund is doing well with the current investment profile. She also reported that there has been improved participation in the shows, with many events selling out.

e. Planetarium – Mr. Handley

Mr. Handley reported that the Planetarium recently completed a capabilities video which will be utilized for marketing. He also reported that the finances are improving.

f. YMCA – Mr. McCotter

Mr. McCotter reported that the YMCA opening was deferred due to some unforeseen construction difficulties, however, stated there is confidence that the contractor will proceed to a successful completion in May 2004. Mr. McCotter also reported that the Rockledge YMCA location has closed, with many of these members transferring to Cocoa. Dr. Fettrow reported that the membership efforts are going well with 913 memberships received toward a 1,000 membership goal at opening.

g. Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) – Dr. Penn Williams

Dr. Penn Williams reported that the Governor's budget proposal is promising for community colleges. She also reminded the Board that African-American History celebrations are ongoing, as part of Black History month, and encouraged perusal of the FLDOE website for many related features. Dr. Penn Williams reported that FCAT exams will take place in March and recommended encouragement to students and teachers in regard to the positive aspects of testing. Dr. Penn Williams requested that the Charter School Committee be added to future Board meeting agendas.

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

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

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