

**BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING**

April 17, 2007
4:40 p.m.

Community Dining Room (Bldg. #3)
Titusville Campus

PRESENT: Mr. James W. Handley, Chairman; Mr. C. R. "Rick" McCotter III, Vice Chairman;
Mr. James Theriac; Mrs. Kimberly Tsamoutales; Mrs. Alberta Wilson;
Dr. James A. Drake, Secretary; Mr. Philip Nohrr, Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. James Handley, Chairman, called the meeting to order and welcomed future Board member, Mrs. Dixie Sansom, who participated in the meeting via teleconference.

Mr. Handley called for a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the Virginia Tech tragedy.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Handley opened the meeting with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

None.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Handley recommended approval of the consent agenda items:

- 3.a. Minutes – Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting – March 18, 2007
- 3.b. Minutes – Board of Trustees Meeting – March 18, 2007
- 9.a. Approval of the March Monthly Summary of Income and Expenditures
- 9.b. Approval of Direct Support Organization Quarterly Reports

Mr. Theriac moved approval of the consent agenda, as presented. Mrs. Wilson seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion –Theriac, Wilson, Handley, McCotter and Tsamoutales; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved.

3. APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

- a. Minutes – Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting – March 18, 2007

Approved – consent agenda.

- b. Minutes – Board of Trustees Meeting – March 18, 2007

Approved – consent agenda.

4. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

5. CITIZEN'S PRESENTATION:

None.

6. CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT:

None.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Report on Pending Legal Actions (Addendum)

Mr. Nohrr reported that a hearing was held on the Hayes matter. The court had previously ruled that the College was not subject to sovereign immunity, a ruling which would have been potentially harmful to Community Colleges across the state. Fortunately, the judge has since changed his ruling.

Mr. Nohrr further reported that a proposed settlement agreement between the College and Mrs. Oglesby has been accepted by Mrs. Oglesby, who signed the agreement on April 13, 2007.

Mr. Theriac moved approval of the Oglesby settlement agreement as presented. Mrs. Wilson seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion –Theriac, Wilson, Handley, McCotter and Tsamoutales; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved.

b. Approval of Gray Robinson Legal Contract (Addendum)

The proposed contract for the legal services of the Gray Robinson law firm was presented and discussed.

Mr. Theriac moved approval of the contract retaining Gray Robinson as General Counsel to the College. Mrs. Wilson seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion –Theriac, Wilson, Handley, McCotter and Tsamoutales; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Personnel Actions (Addendum)

The Personnel Actions were presented to the Board for information only; no action was required.

b. Request for Future Board Meeting/Workshop Agenda Items

None.

9. FINANCIAL ACTIONS:

a. Approval of the March Monthly Summary of Income and Expenditures (Addendum)

Approved – consent agenda.

b. Approval of Direct Support Organization Quarterly Reports

Approved – consent agenda.

10. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

a. Campus Security Procedures

Dr. Drake reported that the College continues to place the highest priority on the safety and security of its students, staff, faculty and visitors. Dr. Drake reported that the College has a disaster preparedness plan in place. As a result of the Virginia Tech tragedy, however, current protocols are being reviewed and modified, where advisable, to ensure prompt and accurate communications throughout the College in the event of an emergency.

b. Review of Administrative Structures and Processes

Dr. Drake reported that the College's administrative structure is being continuously reviewed to ensure that resources are directed toward the strategic initiatives approved by the Board. In accordance with Policy Governance, adjustments may include combining or eliminating staff positions as the Administration deems necessary.

Dr. Drake reported nine Florida community colleges currently employ full-time administrative staff whose responsibilities include representing their respective institutions as registered lobbyists. Several of these colleges have encouraged the appointment of a registered lobbyist to support the interests of BCC. After consulting with Mr. Handley, Dr. Drake recommended that Vice President James Ross initiate the registration process. This change will represent a cost-neutral expansion of his administrative duties. The Board concurred with this plan.

Dr. Drake further reported two other College Vice Presidents will have their duties expanded, without salary adjustments, in the new fiscal year.

Effective July 1, Dr. Brenda Fettrow's title will be changed to Commissioner and Vice President for Resource Development. This change reflects her recent selection as Commissioner, SACS Commission on Colleges, and an expansion of her responsibilities to oversight of the Resource Development Office to increase funding from grants and other sources for College initiatives.

The responsibilities of Dr. Donald Astrab will also be expanded, effective July 1, to include direct supervision of Campus Provosts and Deans. Individuals affected by this change have been notified.

Dr. Drake expressed the desire to return to an administrative model to emphasize the role of the individual campuses as envisioned by James Wattenberger, who was responsible for the master plan, which became Florida Community Colleges.

11. MISCELLANEOUS:

Mr. Handley reported that Mrs. Wilson has agreed to complete Mrs. Tsamoutales' term as the trustee representative to the King Center Board of Directors.

Mr. Handley reported that both the House and Senate Appropriations bills include a \$528,000 appropriation for the Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse.

Mrs. Tsamoutales asked how the Board could assist with lobbying against the Excess Hours bill co-sponsored by Rep. Altman and Sen. Constantine. Mr. Handley responded contacting the Legislative Delegation would be helpful. Mrs. Sansom reported that it would be helpful to have Mr. Ross visit Tallahassee to assist with these efforts. Dr. Drake

reported that the Florida Association of Community Colleges (FACC) and Council of Presidents (COP) remain strongly opposed to the recent iterations of the bill.

The Board congratulated Mrs. Wilson for her leadership in the statewide NAACP convention hosted on the Cocoa Campus, which included representatives from 62 branches across the state. Mrs. Wilson reported that she had received numerous accolades for the convention, and she thanked the College for its support.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

APPROVED: James W. Handley
Chair, District Board of Trustees

ATTESTED: James X. Dade
Secretary, District Board of Trustees