

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
MINUTES NO. 11

LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD  
February 1, 1968

The Local Advisory Board of Virginia Western Community College met on February 1, 1968 at 7:30 p. m. in the Administration Building at the college. This meeting was called at the request of Dr. Dana B. Hamel, Director, Virginia Department of Community Colleges as the first step of an Ad Hoc committee which was established to review the working relationships between the State Board for Community Colleges and the Local Advisory Boards.

Dr. Travis M. McKenzie, President of the host college, welcomed Senator Eugene B. Sydnor, Jr., Chairman of the State Board for Community Colleges, Mr. Gordon Willis, Member, State Board, Dr. Dana B. Hamel and his associates, and others. Introductions were made of visitors and college administrators.

Board members present included Mrs. Hunter M. Painter, Messrs. Morris, Snead, Thomas, Thomson, Vinyard, and Watkins. Representatives from the State Board were Senator Sydnor and Mr. Willis. From the State Dept. of Community Colleges were Dr. Hamel, Dr. Wellman, Messrs. O'Connell, Volenovsky, and Rielly. College administrators present were Dr. McKenzie, Dean Scrafford, Messrs. Crockett, Race, and Denison. Mr. Hunter M. Painter and several members from the press were also among the visitors.

Mr. Henry E. Thomas, Vice Chairman, presided.

Mr. Barton Morris moved that the minutes of the previous meeting not be reviewed at this time; Mr. S. Colston Snead, Jr. seconded the motion; it passed.

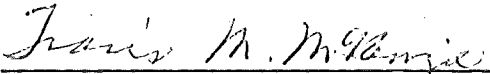
Senator Sydnor told the group that the Local-State Articulation Advisory Committee came into being as a result of the State Board meeting on September 12 when it was learned that there existed certain questions and possible problems between certain local board members and college presidents and the State Board. It was determined at that meeting that the best way to make clear the program and procedures of the State Dept. of Community Colleges was to have a committee comprised of members from the State Board, State Dept., college presidents, and members of Local Advisory Boards. A follow-up visit by the Working Subcommittee will discuss with the Local Advisory Board any conflicts which may exist.

Dr. Dana B. Hamel, Director, Virginia Department of Community Colleges, presented a detailed program on the structure of the Virginia Community College System. The pertinent data of his speech are given in the attached FACT SHEET prepared for distribution at this meeting. Dr. Hamel closed his presentation by stating that attempts are being made to evolve toward more local autonomy.

Senator Sydnor told the group that the State Board for Community Colleges submitted a revised request for capital outlay funds to each member of the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee. This revised request would permit it to take full advantage of the Federal monies that may be available to Virginia. The revised request involves no increase over the Governor's recommended General Fund appropriations of \$930,000, but would involve an increase in the portion of the General Obligation Bond program going to community colleges from \$5,580,000 to \$9,570,000, an increase of \$3,990,000. He stressed that unless we get additional monies for buildings, there seems to be no possibility of any expansion of any of the community colleges during the 1968-70 biennium. He further suggested that the Local Advisory Boards might contact members of these Committees requesting their support of the community college request.

Dr. Wellman asked that the Vice Chairman notify him as soon as possible whether the tentative date of February 22 would be acceptable for the Working Subcommittee of the Local-State Articulation Committee to re-visit the college.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p. m.

  
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Travis M. McKenzie, Secretary

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Minutes approved - Date