

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MEETING #142

The Virginia Western Community College Board met Thursday, July 27, 1989, at 3:30 p.m. in the Fishburn Hall Conference Room on the North Campus of the college.

MEMBERS Mr. Lawrence Hamlar, Chairman  
PRESENT: Dr. Charles Downs, Executive Secretary  
Mr. Malcolm Boggs  
Mrs. Jean Glontz  
Mr. Tommy Moore  
Mr. Tom Robertson  
Mrs. Nina Ross

MEMBERS Mrs. Dianna Garman  
ABSENT: Mr. Warren Gardner  
Mr. Steve Musselwhite  
Mr. Monty Plymale  
Mr. Byron Smith

STAFF Mr. Dwight Blalock, Dean, Financial & Administrative  
PRESENT: Services  
Dr. Robert Harrell, Dean, Academic and Student  
Affairs  
Mrs. Dottie Mock, Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hamlar, the new Chairman, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. and expressed his appreciation to the Board for selecting him to serve in this capacity. Mr. Hamlar also expressed the Board's appreciation for the fine job Mrs. Ross has done in the past two years serving as Chairman.

2. INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL

The Chairman distributed informational material concerning the recruitment and employment process in selecting a new Chancellor to replace Dr. Hockaday who has resigned effective June 30, 1990. Mr. William F. Stone, Jr., Patrick Henry Community College Board member, has been selected to serve as the community colleges' Board representative on the Search Committee for the chancellor's position. Korn/Ferry International, an executive search firm, has been employed to work with the Search Committee. Any action the Virginia

Western Board wishes to have considered in the selection process will be discussed at the next meeting.

Also distributed was a resolution of gratitude from Anita Poston, State Board Chairman, and Dr. Hockaday, Chancellor, recognizing that the Virginia Community College System has met the Higher Education Management Standards for 1988-89. The collective community colleges have met these standards for three consecutive years.

3. MINUTES OF THE MAY 11, 1989, BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Mrs. Glontz and seconded by Mrs. Ross that:

The VWCC Board approve the minutes of the May 11, 1989 Board meeting as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

4. MEETING DATES

Proposed meeting dates for 1989-90 were discussed and Board members were previously contacted for their preference for convenient dates on which to schedule meetings. A majority of the members preferred the fourth Thursday of the months in which the Board meets--the proposed November meeting was changed to the third Thursday due to the Thanksgiving holiday falling on the fourth Thursday.

Mrs. Ross made a motion and Mr. Robertson seconded that:

The VWCC Board approve the 1989-90 Board meeting dates scheduled bimonthly on the fourth Thursday of the month, at 3:30 p.m. in the Fishburn Hall Conference Room as follows:

September 28, 1989	March 22, 1990
November 16, 1989	May 24, 1990
January 25, 1990	

The motion was unanimously approved.

5. STUDENT OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT REPORT

Dr. Downs explained that the Legislature has mandated that the colleges and universities demonstrate how they are meeting the needs of and service to the students they serve.

Dr. Harrell presented a summary of the college's assessment report, which was one of the five reports submitted by the 23 community colleges that was accepted by the VCCS without changes. Dr. David Hanson prepared this extensive report, which involved input from the faculty and staff. Using the

overhead projector, Dr. Harrell presented charts detailing various areas and statistics covered by the report. For example, of the 2,895 graduating high school seniors from the area, 68% entered college in September 1988. Of this percentage, 34% enrolled at Virginia Western. New students coming to the college are evaluated by an experienced counselor. Academic support programs and services (such as developmental courses, counseling and tutoring) are provided by the college for those students assessed to be under-prepared for college-level courses. Feedback on the progress of Virginia Western transfer students going on to four-year colleges/universities is secured from the colleges they attend, and Virginia Western students, as a whole, remain in good standing at the senior colleges.

#### 6. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Copies of this report were mailed previously to the Board members for their review. The committee, composed of Mr. Boggs, Chairman; Mr. Gardner; and Mr. Plymale, was asked to study the feasibility and funding possibilities to build, equip, and operate a student activity facility on campus. The report was very thorough and comprehensive and recommended that the college pursue the possibility of building this much-needed student facility.

Mr. Boggs made a motion and Mrs. Glontz seconded that:

The VWCC Board has reviewed the financial situation with regard to local unrestricted funds and recommends that the college administration proceed with initial planning for an appropriate student activities center to be built on campus.

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### 7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President reported on the following items:

- a) Summer Graduation -- This year's summer graduation ceremony will be held Wednesday, August 16, at 7 p.m. at the Roanoke Civic Center Exhibition Hall, and Dr. Downs asked the members to let Mrs. Mock know if they will be able to attend the activities. Delegate Steve Agee will be the commencement speaker.
- b) VWCC Educational Foundation -- Plans are to concentrate on increasing interest in the Educational Foundation. Mrs. Alice Nelson, Executive Director of the Foundation, has been working with the financial assets of the Foundation and plans to schedule a meeting this fall to establish goals and secure additional funding -- \$175,000

is presently in this fund. Areas for assistance from the Foundation include student aid, program promotion, and a student center facility.

8. DISCOVERY

Mrs. Ross commended the college on its new Discovery publication, which the Board members received recently. The Discovery will be published quarterly and will feature a variety of information on special program offerings and highlights of activities on campus.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Charles L. Downs  
Signature of Executive Secretary

September 28, 1989  
Date