

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MEETING #167

The Virginia Western Community College Board met on Thursday, September 30, 1993, at 3:30 p.m. in the President's Conference Room in Fishburn Hall on the North Campus of the college.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Malcolm Boggs
Mrs. Betty Corvin
Dr. Charles Downs, Executive Secretary
Mrs. LaVerne Dillon
Mrs. Jean Glontz
Mr. Robert Patterson
Mr. Monty Plymale
Mr. Byron Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. George Daniels
Mr. Jimmy Morris
Mr. Bill Reid

GUEST PRESENT: Dr. Arnold Oliver, Chancellor
Mr. Steve Tenace, Sherertz Franklin Crawford
and Shaffner Inc.

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Dwight Blalock, Dean of Financial and
Administrative Services
Dr. Robert Harrell, Dean of Academic Affairs
Ms. Brenda Shepherd Wills, Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Boggs called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Boggs welcomed Dr. Arnold R. Oliver, Chancellor of the Virginia Community College System, to the meeting. Mr. Boggs introduced the newly appointed Botetourt County board member, Mr. John Robert Patterson, and welcomed him on behalf of the board members.

Mrs. Glontz reported that the United Way's "One Great Day of Caring" was a successful endeavor and thanked Dr. Downs for Virginia Western's participation in the event.

2. Mr. Boggs introduced Dr. Oliver to the members of the Board. Dr. Oliver stated that he is attending a local board meeting at each of the community colleges in the VCCS. He thanked the Board members for their work and emphasized the critical role that the Local Advisory Board plays in the life of the institution. He explained that while the State Board is the governing body for the community colleges, the Local Board is what makes each college unique to its own area. Dr. Oliver provided facts which demonstrated the adaptations the colleges have made in response to budget cuts in recent years, and mentioned that Governor Wilder has acknowledged the prudent operation of the community colleges by shielding them from further cuts in the most recent budget reduction planning. Dr. Oliver noted that the community colleges must be kept up to date to meet the ever increasing demands and that expanded professional development for faculty and staff will become more critical to the success of the community colleges.

Dr. Oliver complimented Dr. Downs' work at Virginia Western; Mrs. Glontz mentioned that the board acknowledges and is proud of the leadership Dr. Downs provides.

Mr. Boggs thanked Dr. Oliver for attending the board meeting and for the information which he provided.

3. MINUTES OF THE JULY 15, 1993, BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Plymale and seconded by Mr. Smith that:

The VWCC Board approve the minutes of the July 15, 1993, meeting as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

4. CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Downs explained the concept of the proposed Business and Industrial Development Center, the first of its type in the State of Virginia. He mentioned that the Legislature provided money for the design of a prototype center which would, for example, provide space for specialized training for businesses, act as an incubator for small business, and house four-year degree programs. He stated that Sherertz Franklin Crawford and Shaffner Inc. was awarded the bid for the preparation of the preplanning study; their representative, Steve Tenace, presented the preplanning study for review by the Board.

The next step in the process is to determine if this is a purposeful concept and if the design is aesthetically compatible to the campus. It was suggested that the college solicit input from the four-year universities who will be using the facility as well as input from administrators with experience in this type project. Upon final approval by the Board, the preplanning study will be presented to the Legislature.

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

The VWCC Board endorse the concept and the general plans presented by Mr. Tenace for the Center for Business and Industrial Development. Before the plans progress any further, efforts should be made to obtain input from the four-year universities and from administrators of existing facilities to ensure that space design and needs are suitable to their programs.

The motion was unanimously approved.

5. LOCAL FUNDS YEAR END REPORT

Due to the lack of sufficient time, the Board members agreed that this item will be addressed at the next board meeting.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Downs reported that the Annual State Board meeting will be held in Lynchburg November 17-19.

A motion was made by Mr. Plymale and seconded by Mrs. Corvin that:

The regularly scheduled Virginia Western Board meeting (November 18) be held at the State Board meeting in Lynchburg.

The motion was unanimously approved.

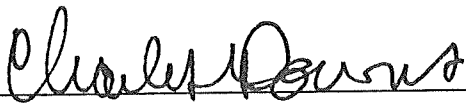
Dr. Downs invited the Board members to attend the Virginia Community College Association Convention to be held October 7-9 in Richmond.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business on the agenda, Mr. Plymale moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn at 4:55 p.m.

APPROVED:

February 11, 1994
Date



Executive Secretary