

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MEETING #174

The Virginia Western Community College Board met on Thursday, March 16, 1995, at 3:30 p.m. in the President's Conference Room in Fishburn Hall on the North Campus of the college.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Betty Corvin
Mrs. LaVerne Dillon
Dr. Charles Downs, Executive Secretary
Mr. Stan Lanford
Mr. Jimmy Morris
Mrs. Jean Glontz
Mr. Robert Patterson
Mr. Byron Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. George Daniels
Mrs. Margaret Grayson
Mr. Geoffrey Ottaway
Mr. Bill Reid

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Mark Emick, Assistant to the President
Dr. Robert Harrell, Dean of Academic Affairs
Ms. Brenda Shepherd, Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Glontz called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. **MINUTES OF THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING**

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

The VWCC Board approve the minutes of the January 19, 1995, meeting as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Glontz explained that a Vice Chair needs to be selected for the 1995-96 academic year. According to policy, the current Vice Chair becomes Chair for the upcoming academic year (Mrs. Dillon is the current Vice Chair.) Mrs. Glontz asked that Mrs. Dillon and Mr. Reid serve with her on the nominating committee to obtain a Vice Chair for the 1995-96 term. The nominating committee will present a recommendation at the next Board meeting.

4. **MR. ROBERT CROUCH, STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

Dr. Downs announced that Mr. Crouch would be unable to attend the meeting. It was noted that he had been invited for the purposes of reporting on the inquiry made by the Local Board regarding the policy on the investment of public funds and the legal liabilities of the local board members. A decision was made to invite Mr. Crouch to attend the next meeting or, if more convenient for him, to prepare a written report on those items for review by the board.

5. **"C-BIT"**

Dr. Emick reported that Virginia Western's newly formed Center for Business, Industry, and Technology (C-BIT) is dedicated to working with business, industry, and government in the Roanoke Valley. He explained that the center's goal is to provide up-to-date training information, resources, and support services to the existing business community as well as to potential business and industry. The Center is a consolidation of existing college services, aimed toward the most efficient, cost-effective delivery of training. Dr. Emick noted that we consistently make contact with businesses in the service region to assess training needs in order to be prepared to meet existing, as well, as future needs. Mr. Smith indicated that it would be nice to see examples of the types of delivery used and the ways we are fulfilling the mission of the college. Dr. Emick will present an "Instructional Technology" sampling for the Board members on April 27 at 3:30 p.m.

6. **REPORT BY THE BOARD CHAIR**

•Mrs. Glontz reported that the Goals Committee (Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Glontz, and Mr. Patterson) met with Dr. Downs and reviewed *The President's Goals Results*

for 1994 as well as the *President's Proposed Goals for 1995*. The Board members discussed the two documents (attached).

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

The VWCC Board approve The President's Goals Results for 1994 as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

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

The VWCC Board approve the President's Proposed Goals for 1995 as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board members will establish internal goals to actively pursue.

•Mrs. Glontz noted that, at the Annual State Board Meeting, another Board chair had mentioned to her that their Board meets collectively with the representatives from their local political subdivisions to provide up-to-date information about their college and to address questions regarding funding requests. The VWCC Board members again supported the plan to arrange meetings with our representatives.

7. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Downs reported that:

•he had visited with all the political subdivision administrators in Virginia Western's service region, all of whom were receptive to our requests for funds. He noted that Roanoke City officials agreed to have a meeting in their office on May 8 at 3 p.m.; Roanoke County officials will meet on campus on June 13 at noon. He noted that he would keep the Board members informed as plans progress. Mr. Lanford emphasized that Virginia Western is an important asset to the community, and we need to be sure that the college's value is recognized.

•an "Open House" will be held at Virginia Western on Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to provide information and tours to the community. The announcement of the "Open House" will be publicized through local media.

•the College of Health Sciences has approached Virginia Western about forming a partnership to operate their college as a public institution. Further details will be forthcoming.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business on the agenda, Mr. Patterson moved and Mr. Lanford seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn at 4:35 p.m.

APPROVED:

May 29, 1995
Date

Charles Owens
Executive Secretary