

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MINUTES #79

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The Virginia Western Community College Board met Wednesday, September 27, 1978, at 12 noon in the Virginia Room at Hotel Roanoke.

PRESENT: Mr. Warner Dalhouse, Chairman
Mr. Charles Jennings, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Betty Chaney
Mrs. Caroline Etzler
Dr. Warren Moorman
Mr. W. S. Russell
Mrs. Janine Stone
Mr. Maury Strauss
Mrs. Lillian Utecht
Mr. Richard Watson
Dr. Harold Hopper, Executive Secretary

GUESTS: Mr. Hugh Phelps, Division Chairman, Engineering/
Industrial Technology
Mr. Geoff Seamans, Reporter, Roanoke Times/
World News

Opening the meeting, Mr. Dalhouse introduced Mr. Phelps who reported on the building progress of the Occupational/Technical Building. He advised that all of the major excavation has been completed and construction seems to be proceeding as planned. The contract with Graves Construction Company calls for completion of the building in 460 days.

BOARD MINUTES

Dr. Moorman moved that the minutes of the July 25, 1978, Board meeting be approved as recorded. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Chaney and passed by the Board.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

Mr. Dalhouse reviewed VWCC's insurance coverage, which the State Board provides through DeJarnette & Paul Agency of Richmond. After some discussion, Mr. Strauss moved that we continue, as we have in the past, to rotate the local agency coverage among the three companies that originally expressed an interest in offering this service--Chaney, Thomas, Stephenson & Hill; Charles Lunsford Sons & Associates; and Davis and Stephenson. Mr. Russell seconded the motion and it carried.

ROANOKE CITY CONTRIBUTION

Our request for \$41,230 from Roanoke City for capital improvements was reviewed by Mr. Dalhouse. The City Council deleted \$15,825 from our request, specifically for a traffic light and parking lot; but advised that if there was a surplus, the reinstatement of funds could be requested. A city surplus of about \$6 million was realized; and Mr. Dalhouse has been in contact with Mr. Bern Ewert, city manager, in an attempt to have the \$15,825 reinstated. Mr. Dalhouse felt the city might possibly install the traffic light at Colonial Avenue and McNeil Road as a result of a new traffic study, which indicates a need.

NAME FOR OCCUPATIONAL/TECHNICAL BUILDING

Now that the O/T Building is underway, consideration needs to be given to procedures for naming the building, as well as to an appropriate name. This will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

PRESIDENT'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

After a motion by Mr. Watson to replenish the President's Discretionary Fund to its \$250 level, and a second by Mr. Russell, the Board approved this action for the period July, August, and September 1978.

COLLEGE FOUNDATION

The Board discussed informally the possibility of implementing the State Board's policy which permits local community college boards to establish a local college foundation. It was decided that a draft of locally recommended articles of incorporation and bylaws would be sent to the Chancellor and to the Attorney General for review. The Board felt, generally, that it would be beneficial if Virginia Western were to have a local foundation.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BUDGET

It was moved by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mrs. Etzler to approve the Student Activities Budget for 1979-80 as presented. The Board passed the motion.

ANNUAL STATE BOARD MEETING

The meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 9-11 in Williamsburg. Additional information will be received later, and Board members were asked to advise Dr. Hopper's office if they planned to attend so reservations could be made.

SURVEY WORK

A letter from Buford T. Lumsden and Associated advising of a \$250 fee for partial topographical survey of an area along Colonial Avenue was distributed for the Board's information.

INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED

The Board members were provided with copies of the Minutes of the last State Board meeting, as well as a listing of new VWCC faculty members.

SOFTBALL FIELD AND JOGGING TRACK

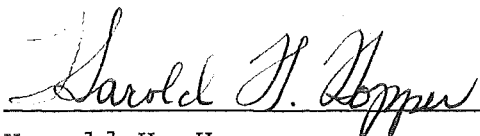
Dr. Hopper advised the Board that a softball field and one-mile jogging track are being constructed on the North Campus.

ENROLLMENT

Although at present our part-time and FTE (full-time equivalency) enrollment is down slightly from last year, the percentage of 18-24 year old students enrolled is up. A final count will be received next week.

At the end of the business session, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

APPROVED:



Harold H. Hopper
Executive Secretary



Date