

**NAVAJO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2006

Location: District Office – Eagle’s Nest
103 First Avenue at Hopi Drive
Holbrook, Arizona

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Daniel Peaches, President
Neal Thompson, Secretary
Norris Baldwin
Bill Jeffers
Dr. Paul Reynolds

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peggy Belknap
JoLynn Fox
Rose Kreher
Dr. Gary Passer
Dan Simper
Terri Tubbs
Mira White

Anne Abbey
Gina Ciuffetelli
Blaine Hatch
Brian McLane
Everett Robinson
Dr. Jeanne Swarthout
Mark Vest

Chairman Daniel Peaches called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m. Dr. Reynolds led the Board members and the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Peaches welcomed the visitors.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Neal Thompson moved to adopt the agenda as amended. Norris Baldwin seconded the motion, and the agenda was accepted by a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Norris Baldwin and seconded by Neal Thompson, the minutes of the executive session of April 18, 2006 and the regular meeting of April 18, 2006 were unanimously approved.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

- A) Faculty Report – None.
- B) CASO Report – Rose Kreher, CASO President, reported on the group’s scholarship efforts for the year. The scholarship fund currently stands at \$1,747 and \$1,100 in awards have been presented. \$175 was recently used to purchase student artwork from the art show and it will be auctioned off during next year’s fund raisers. A scholarship application letter from a student was read to the Board and Rose said that the CASO organization was proud to be able to help the students of NPC further their education.
- C) Student Government Report – Mira White reported that the student appreciation lunches were held at all centers and campuses. The Student Government Association has enjoyed its first year back and plans to continue being part of the Northland Pioneer College community. Dr. Passer thanked Mira for her participation in the District Governing Board meetings.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

- A) President’s Report – Anne Abbey, Executive Director of the NPC Foundation, brought the Board up to date on the status of the Foundation. The recent 11th Annual Auction brought in a record breaking \$10,000 for student scholarships. Music in the Pines is scheduled for June 24th and the golf tournament will be held on July 28th. Funds for student emergency loans have been made available and the financial policies of the Foundation have been restructured. The Board currently has been meeting every other month with the next meeting scheduled for July 6th. A quarterly newsletter is planned to keep the college and foundation communities informed. Anne thanked Mr. Thompson and Mr. Peaches for their long service to the college – each of them serving more than 22 years. Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Baldwin were both members of community advisory boards that help establish the college. She invited all to join the Foundation.
- B) Board Report – Mr. Jeffers noted the 11th Annual NPC Foundation Auction held on Saturday, April 29 in the Hangar in Holbrook was great success because of the work of Anne Abbey. It was well attended by a wide range of district citizens. He thanked Anne for her work with the Foundation and for his recent service award nomination. Mr. Thompson noted that the Board had received a letter from the Board at Cochise College apprising them of their intent to withdraw from ACCA for the next year.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Request to Approve a Tuition, General Fee and Course Fee Schedules for Fiscal Year 2006-2007

The vote on a motion by Mr. Thompson to decrease tuition by \$2.00 – from \$42 to \$40 – split the Board votes and required President Peaches to vote. Mr. Baldwin and Dr. Reynolds voted against the motion and Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Thompson voted for the motion. Mr. Peaches voted in the affirmative and the motion to decrease tuition and approve the general fee and course fee schedules for 2006-2007 as recommended by the staff was approved. Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Thompson both felt there was a strong indication that the tuition level was part of the cause of the FTSE decrease and wanted to add a tuition decrease to other enrollment management efforts to increase FTSE in the coming year. Feeling there was little statistical data to validate the tuition/FTSE drop connection, Mr. Baldwin and Dr. Reynolds felt that as property taxes were being raised by the college this year then so should the tuition levels.

Executive Session: Salary Discussion – As allowed in ARS §38-431.03 A5, the board moved into executive session at 12:00 noon upon a motion by Bill Jeffers and a second by Paul Reynolds. The Board returned to regular session at 12:47 pm.

B) Request to Approve Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2006-2007

Neal Thompson made the motion to approve the salary schedules for 2006-2007 as presented in executive session and Paul Reynolds seconded the motion. A three percent increase will be applied to all scales, including a new Technical and Skilled Craft scale. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

C) Request to Approve a Resolution Calling for Election of District Governing Board Members for Districts #2 and #3

The District Governing Board term in District #2 currently held by Mr. Bill Jeffers will expire on December 31, 2006. The District #3 representative, Dr. Paul Reynolds, was appointed and must stand for election in the general election to complete the six year term through December 31, 2010. Now is the required time for a formal Call of Election to participate in the November 7, 2006 General Election in Navajo County. Mr. Baldwin made the motion to approve the Call of Election and after a second by Neal Thompson, the vote was unanimous.

D) Request to Approve Vendor Vouchers for Payment

Approval of the vouchers for payment was unanimous. Bill Jeffers made the motion to approve and Paul Reynolds made the second.

E) Request to Approve Administrator Emeritus Nomination: Gary L. Passer

Pursuant to the process outlined Procedure #2776, Mr. Thompson read a nominating letter proposing Administrator Emeritus status for Dr. Passer based upon his “significant contribution to the college while employed”. The nomination was unanimously approved after a second by Norris Baldwin.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board was tentatively scheduled for June 20, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm upon a motion by Neal Thompson and a second by Bill Jeffers.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Tubbs
Recording Secretary to the Board

Daniel Peaches
Chairman

Neal Thompson
Secretary to the Board