



North Carolina Community College System
Preparing North Carolina's World-Class Work Force

State Board of Community Colleges
Raleigh, North Carolina

June 17, 2004

9:00 a.m.

Called Telephonic Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The called telephonic meeting of the State Board of Community Colleges was called to order. The following members were present:

James J. Woody, Jr., Chair (in Board Room)	Tamara Jones representing
Jeannette M. Council	Lt. Governor Beverly Perdue
Stuart B. Fountain (in Board Room)	Hilda Pinnix-Ragland
Bob H. Greene	Linwood Powell
Gordon "Buddy" Greenwood	B. Joanne Steiner
Sandra L. Hayes (in Board Room)	Ann T. Turlington
Estell C. Lee	Norma Turnage
Chester P. Middlesworth	Herbert Watkins
John McLawhorn representing	
Treasurer Richard H. Moore	

The following members were not able to attend: James "Jim" Daniels, Carolyn M. Davis, Anne-Marie Knighton, and Thomas Norman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By consensus, the Board approved the Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINANCE AND CAPITAL NEEDS COMMITTEE, Herbert L. Watkins, Chair

At the request of Mr. Watkins, Chairman Woody polled those present that were not SBCC board members to determine who was in attendance. Mr. Watkins requested confirmation that no one was present from the Information Technology Statewide (ITS) Office, and Chairman Woody responded there was not.

For Action

- Contract Extension with Amendment Affiliated Computer Services (ACS)--College Information Systems (CIS) Project

At the request of Chairman Woody, Dr. Sandra Williams and Mr. Briggs brought the Board up to date on the contract extension. Dr. Williams relayed that at the April 2004 meeting the Board approved a three-year contract extension for the CIS Project with ACS that was approved pending approval of ITS Procurement. ITS did not approve that contract and asked that the terms of agreement/length of time be revised. After several meetings with ITS, a new contract was created and agreed to by staff. The differences in the contract presented in April and the new contract now being presented were outlined.

The contract extension presented in April was for a three-year contract that ran through December 31, 2007. The new contract is a one-year contract with two one-year extensions. The terms and the dollar amount of the contract did not change, nor did the project deliverables and other payments and delivery and acceptance of project deliverables. The only thing that changed was the amount of time in the term of agreement in section one in the terms and conditions.

Responding to whether going year-to-year would lose savings, Mr. Briggs stated that as long as we continue the renewal process, the savings credit would be extended over the life of the contract. There are no additional costs; however, the credit would be divided according to deliverables. If we chose not to renew both years, then the State Board and System Office would be responsible for the value of the work done having lost the credit. The credit does assume that the contract goes the full three-year term.

Dr. Williams advised that she had been informed that Patty Bowers from ITS was available via cellular phone if needed. Chairman Woody asked Mr. Watkins if he would like her contacted to join the conference. Mr. Watkins stated he did not feel it was necessary. He continued stating the he felt this change was basically a preference on how the three years are stated in the contract. In essence, it is a three-year contract as long as ACS performs, and does not consider it a substantive matter. Therefore, he recommended that the contract be approved.

Dr. Fountain asked if Section 5, payments subsections A, B, C, D, and E had changed. Mr. Watkins responded that Section 5 of the payments had not changed, but the yearly spread is consistent with the payment schedule associated with the deliverables as they were in the original contract.

Mr. Briggs added that a concern raised by ITS was the (NCCC) System Office's capacity to fulfill its part of the work. As a result, a positive and noteworthy concession was gained from ITS. If at any period we feel like we do not have sufficient staffing, ITS will support our seeking additional staff to ensure that a change order request does not go forward because of our incapacity to perform our part of the work.

On a motion by Ms. Steiner, seconded by Dr. Council, the Board unanimously approved the Contract Extension with Amendment with Affiliated Computer Services (ACS)--College Information Systems (CIS) Project.

Chairman Woody asked for other comments. Rusty Lindsey, ACS, thanked those involved, adding they are very encouraged by the spirit of cooperation and support, and look forward to delivering a system that will meet current and future needs. Dr. Powell encouraged members to thank Senator Tony Rand for his help with this project.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, H. Martin Lancaster

- The President briefed the Board on what is happening in the General Assembly. The Senate Committee expects to have the Senate bill on the floor next week. It is hoped that we will be able to obtain from the Senate the same level we had from the House or more. Work continues on problematic issues, such as the Business Licensing Information Office. The Senate Committee has returned that function to the Secretary of State's Office, and will be a matter in contention. It is hoped that the Customized Industrial Training provision that was omitted in the House can be added back in the Senate. Some concern has been expressed about the salary package, but the Senators with whom the President has been able to contact seem to think the salaries will be in good shape. Overall, things are looking pretty good. He advised members that their continued contact with those in the General Assembly would be appreciated.

OTHER REMARKS

- Ms. Hayes advised that on June 16 she attended a panel for the Student Leadership Institute. Funding for this is at the college level; however, System Office personnel corral them and get them involved. All of the students who attended the meeting went over to the General Assembly to offer thanks to Legislators, to talk about the salary increase, and bend as many ears as they could. It was good to see that we are building community college advocates at the college level.
- Mr. Watkins, joined by other SBCC members, recognized Dr. Williams and Mr. Briggs for negotiating, educating, and conditioning a number of advocates to bring order to the resolution of the CIS Project contract.

DATES OF NEXT MEETING

- July 15-16, 2004, Caswell Building, Raleigh, NC.

ADJOURNMENT

- By acclamation, the Board adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

H. Martin Lancaster, System President

James J. Woody, Jr., *Chair*

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