PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2011

The Board of Trustees of Pearl River Community College met at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, for their monthly meeting in the Olivia Bender Cafeteria Board of Trustees Room on the Poplarville Campus.

TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE/ABSENT:

Mr. Tony Waits, Chairman
Mr. Frank Ladner, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ronald Fortenberry
Dr. Ben Burnett
Dr. Kay Clay
Mr. Barry Harper - Absent
Ms. Sandy McCadle
Mr. Alan Dedeaux

Mr. Dale Purvis
Mr. Ike Haynes
Mr. Al Brooks
Mr. M.L. "Sonny" Knight, Secretary
Dr. Gale Harris
Mr. P.W. Polk
Ms. Melissa Holston
Mr. H. R. Nobles

PRCC STAFF: President Dr. William Lewis, Dean of Business Services Mr. Roger Knight, Dean of Student Services Dr. Adam Breerwood, Director of Public Relations Mr. Chuck Abadie, Vice President for Instruction Dr. John Grant, Dean of the Forrest County Center Dr. Cecil Burt, Director of Development Foundation Mr. Ernie Lovell, PRCC Faculty Association President Robin Nix, President’s Administrative Assistant Ms. Marilyn Dillard, and Board Attorney Mr. Martin Smith

GUESTS: None

Chairman Tony Waits opened the meeting, and the Invocation was provided by Sonny Knight. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the following business was transacted.

Dr. Lewis took this time to recognize the PRCC String of Pearls for their recent win in the National Collegiate Dance Competition. String of Pearls Director Kara Fleming and Captain Hayleigh McCadle represented the String of Pearls at today’s board meeting. Also recognized was PRCC Student Vernon Lee Kinabrew for his selection in the Phi Theta Kappa All-USA First Academic Team. The board congratulated this group of outstanding students for their accomplishments and representation of Pearl River Community College.

Dr. Lewis then presented for approval a resolution for the reconstruction of Marvin R. White Coliseum on the Poplarville Campus. As stated in the resolution, funds for this project will be provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as a result of a settlement agreement relative to FEMA Project Work Sheet (PW) 8941 and from insurance proceeds from Hurricane Katrina-related damages. A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Burnett, to approve said resolution for the reconstruction of Marvin R. White Coliseum. The motion carried. A copy of said resolution and FEMA Project Work Sheet are attached as Exhibit “1” and made a part of these official minutes.

Chairman Waits requested approval of the March 1, 2011, board meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Ladner, seconded by Mr. Nobles, to approve the March 1, 2011, board meeting minutes. The motion carried.
Departmental reports were then presented by staff administrators. Those presenting reports included Dr. Grant, Dr. Burt, Dr. Breerwood, Mr. Lovell, and Sonny Knight (Buildings and Grounds Committee).

On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Sonny Knight made a motion to approve the employment of Architect Don McCleskey for architectural services for the construction of the new Lamar Hall Men’s Dormitory. The motion was seconded by Frank Ladner, and the motion carried.

Roger Knight then presented and reviewed the Reconciled Bank Balances for March 31, 2011, and the Statement of Expenditures for March 31, 2011. No action was necessary.

Mr. Knight presented for review and approval the March 2011 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket) in the amount of $2,555,371.16. A motion was made by Mr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Polk, to approve the March 2011 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket) as presented herein. The motion carried. The original Disbursement Register is on file in the Business Office.

Mr. Knight presented for approval the Fixed Asset Deletions Report for April 2011 in the amount of $31,259.30. A motion was made by Mr. Ladner, seconded by Dr. Clay, to approve the Fixed Asset Deletions Report for April 2011. The motion carried. The original Fixed Asset Deletions Report for April 2011 is on file in the Business Office.

Mr. Knight informed the board that another Hazard Mitigation Plan Open House will be held in the PRCC Crosby Hall Tuesday, April 26, 2011, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Mr. Knight stated that local residents, PRCC students, faculty, and staff are invited to review the draft copy of the PRCC Hazard Mitigation Plan during this come-and-go meeting.

The following personnel matters were then presented for board action.

- Dr. Lewis presented the retirement of Dr. John Grant, Jr. from the position of Vice President for Instruction effective June 30, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Dr. Clay, to accept Dr. Grant’s retirement as stated. The motion carried.

- Dr. Grant presented the resignation of Ms. Elizabeth Coston from the position of Instructor-Learning Lab (10 mos) effective April 1, 2011; retirement of Mr. Richard Byrd from the position of Instructor of Automotive Mechanics Technology effective May 17, 2011; retirement of Mr. Don Welsh from the position of Director of Career & Technical Education Programs (Poplarville) effective June 30, 2011; retirement of Ms. Catherine Merrick from the position of Department Chair of Occupational Training Technology/Instructor of Business Technology (Forrest County Center) effective May 17, 2011; employment of Mr. James K. Royston to the position of Instructor of Biology effective August 9, 2011, and the transfer of Ms. Margaret Ann Smith from the position of Director of Hancock Center to the position of Instructor-Learning Lab (10 mos) effective July 1, 2011.

A motion was made by Dr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Haynes, to accept said employee resignation, retirements, employment, and transfer matters as defined herein. The motion carried.
Dr. Breerwood presented the resignation of Mr. David Earl Johnson from the position of Campus Police Officer effective April 12, 2011 and the employment of Ms. Kimberly Smith Waller to the position of Data Management Coordinator for the Financial Aid Department.

A motion was made by Mr. Ladner, seconded by Dr. Clay, to accept the resignation and employment matters as defined herein. The motion carried.

Whereupon, among other matters, the following action and/or actions were taken relating to the issuance of not to exceed two million four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($2,450,000) principal amount General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, Pearl River Community College District, to-wit:

In legal matters, Mr. Smith presented for approval and adoption of the following two resolutions associated with the Bond Sale for the Construction of a Center for the Performing Arts Building on the Poplarville Campus of Pearl River Community College in Pearl River County, Mississippi:

1. Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Pearl River Community College District (The District), authorizing the employment of professionals in connection with the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, of the District to raise money for the purpose of providing funds for the construction of a Center for the Performing Arts Building on the Poplarville Campus in Pearl River County, Mississippi, and the payment of costs of issuance. A motion was made by Mr. Dedeaux, seconded by Mr. Polk, to approve and adopt said resolution as stated and defined herein. The motion carried. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and made a part of these official minutes.

2. Resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of not to exceed two million four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($2,450,000) principal amount General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011 (The Bonds), of the Pearl River Community College District to raise money for the purpose of providing funds for the construction of a Center for the Performing Arts Building on the Poplarville Campus of Pearl River Community College in Pearl River County, Mississippi, and payment of costs of issuance of the Bonds; prescribing the form and incidents of said Bonds; and making provisions for the security and payment thereof. A motion was made by Mr. Dedeaux, seconded by Mr. Polk, to approve and adopt said resolution as stated and defined herein. The motion carried. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit “B” and made a part of these official minutes.

In the President’s Report, the following items were presented and discussed:

- Dr. Lewis reminded board members that the Mississippi Ethics Commission’s Statement of Economic Interest is due on May 1.
- Dr. Lewis recommended board approval of the 2011 Summer Work Schedule that will allow employees to work extended hours Monday through Thursday (7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). This schedule will include closure of all campuses each Friday during June and July. The four day work schedule will provide a financial savings for the College and its employees. A motion was made by Dr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Nobles, to approve the 2011 Summer Work Schedule as defined herein. The motion carried.
- The 2011 MACJC Trustees conference was discussed. This year’s conference will be held at the Beau Rivage Resort July 8-10. By show of hands, there was high interest among board members who planned to attend this year’s conference.
In closing, Chairman Waits asked for board members who would be available to attend the May 17, 2011 Graduation Ceremony. Those volunteering to attend the ceremony included Mr. Nobles, Dr. Clay, Mr. Ladner, Mr. Purvis, and Mr. Waits. Chairman Waits stated that graduation attendance will be discussed again at the May 3 board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, a motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Polk, to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2011, in the Board of Trustees Room in the Olivia Bender Cafeteria.

Anthony C. Waits, Board Chairman

M. L. "Sonny" Knight, Board Secretary

Exhibit Items for the April 12, 2011 Board of Trustees Meeting

Exhibit I
Resolution and FEMA Project Work Sheet (PW) 8941 for the reconstruction of Marvin R. White Coliseum on the Poplarville Campus.

Exhibit A
Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Pearl River Community College District (The District), authorizing the employment of professionals in connection with the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, of the District to raise money for the purpose of providing funds for the construction of a Center for the Performing Arts Building on the Poplarville Campus in Pearl River County, Mississippi, and the payment of costs of issuance.

Exhibit B
Resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of not to exceed two million four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($2,450,000) principal amount General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011 (The Bonds), of the Pearl River Community College District to raise money for the purpose of providing funds for the construction of a Center for the Performing Arts Building on the Poplarville Campus of Pearl River Community College in Pearl River County, Mississippi, and payment of costs of issuance of the Bonds; prescribing the form and incidents of said Bonds; and making provisions for the security and payment thereof.

Exhibit Items are on file in the PRCC President's Office and are available for viewing upon request.