

# PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2011

The Board of Trustees of Pearl River Community College met at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 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. Dale Purvis
Mr. Frank Ladner, Vice Chairman	Mr. Ike Haynes
Mr. Ronald Fortenberry	Mr. Al Brooks
Dr. Ben Burnett	Mr. M.L. "Sonny" Knight - Secretary
Dr. Kay Clay - Absent	Dr. Gale Harris
Mr. Barry Harper - Absent	Mr. P.W. Polk
Ms. Sandy McCardle	Ms. Melissa Holston
Mr. Alan Dedeaux	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 Al Brooks. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the following business was transacted.

Chairman Waits requested approval of the **January 11, 2011, board meeting minutes**. A motion was made by Mr. Purvis; seconded by Dr. Burnett, to approve the January 11, 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). There were no recommendations presented on behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Dr. Grant distributed the Strategic Plan Goals and Indicators Recommendations for 2011 - 2012 for review. No action was necessary.

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

Mr. Knight presented for review and approval the **January 2011 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket) in the amount of \$2,015,840.13**. A motion was made by Mr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Haynes, to approve the January 2011 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket) as presented herein. The motion carried. The original Disbursement Register is on file in the Business Office.

Mr. Knight then presented for approval the **Fixed Asset Deletions Report for February 2011** containing various unserviceable computer and electronic items in the amount of \$53,032.59. A motion was made by Mr. Sonny Knight, seconded by Mr. Ladner, to approve and accept the Fixed Asset Deletions Report for February 2011 as presented herein. The motion carried.

Mr. Knight then presented for approval the **Grades First Service Agreement for the Title III program** that will provide software support in several major areas of service. It will provide support elements in the areas of student management, advising center management, attendance monitoring, study hall management, progress report management, appointment management, tutor management, and assignment tracking. The Service Agreement also provides for three magnetic card readers, 10,000 SMS (text message) credits per contract year as well as advanced communication features that include the Grades First Face Book Application. The Service Agreement cost is \$14,940.22 through Title III funding. A motion was made by Mr. Sonny Knight, seconded by Mr. Purvis, to approve the purchase of the Grades First Service Agreement as presented herein. The motion carried.

There were no personnel recommendations to be presented at today's meeting.

There were no legal matters presented at today's meeting.

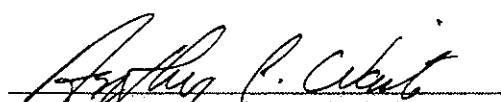
In the President's Report, Dr. Lewis briefly discussed a letter and supporting material from the Gun Free Kids organization. This material, entitled "Campaign to Keep Guns off College Campuses" was distributed to board members at the February 8, 2011 meeting. Dr. Lewis stated that the Guns Free Organization is asking for support of a resolution to oppose legislation that would pre-empt an educational institution's right to prohibit or adopt policies to regulate possession of firearms on campus. He added that no recommendation is forthcoming on the endorsement of this campaign, but the College is reviewing its current policy on firearms. No action was taken on this matter.

Dr. Lewis provided update reports for the following facility projects:

- The Holden-Brownstone Center for the Performing Arts project will, hopefully, be rebid within the next six to eight months. Architects and College administration continue to work on the rebidding process.
- The M. R. White Coliseum rebuilding project continues to have unresolved questions from FEMA regarding the construction of this facility. College administration continues to work toward a resolution of these issues.
- The Career-Education Center (for the Forrest County Center) is progressing on schedule with the bidding process expected by June 2011.
- The Forrest County Center Master Plan is underway. Architect Larry Albert will present a complete proposal to the board once the Master Plan is completed. With added funds from the Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management, the total cost for this project is \$21,000.
- The Forrest County Center Road Project funding has been discussed with Congressman Steven Palazzo. The College is hopeful that federal funds can be secured for this project.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, a motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Purvis, to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

In closing, Dr. Lewis reminded everyone that the March board meeting will be held Tuesday, March 1, 2011, in the Olivia Bender Cafeteria Board of Trustees Room. This is one week early due to the College's Spring Break (March 7-11, 2011).

  
Anthony C. Waits, Board Chairman

  
M. L. "Sonny" Knight, Board Secretary