

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING of April 22, 2008

On April 22, 2008, the Board of Trustees of Community College District 507, in the Counties of Vermilion, Edgar, Iroquois, Champaign, and Ford in the State of Illinois, met in regular session in the Board Room, Vermilion Hall, Room 302 at Danville Area Community College.

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Vickie Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ITEM 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and those individuals in attendance gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ITEM 3: ROLL CALL

The roll was called. Trustees present: Dick Cheney, Dave Harby, Vickie Miller, John O'Rourke, Sandi Randall, Ron Serfoss, James Tucker, and Student Trustee Megan Binkley.

Others present: President Alice Marie Jacobs, Kerri Thurman, Dave Kietzmann, Rebecca Schlecht, Mike Cunningham, Gail Morrison, Belinda Dalton-Russell, Lara Conklin, Nancy Boesdorfer, Mike Carpenter, Durrell Robinson, Lori Garrett, Jacob Lane, Chad Harden, Sergey Struck, Kyle Smith, Marcus Thomas, Ronny Bell, Anthony Ingram, Ronnie Williams, Mark Dunn, Antwone Rogers, Billy Hayes, and Ted Hardy.

Media present: Noelle McGee from the News Gazette and Anna Herkamp from the Commercial News.

ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Miller asked for any changes to the Agenda. There were none. Upon motion by Mr. Cheney and second by Dr. Tucker, the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

ITEM 5: RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Dr. Jacobs introduced members of the Administrative Council including Dave Kietzmann, Vice President of Instruction and Student Services; Becky Schlecht, Director, Human Resources; Mike Cunningham, Director, Administrative Services; Gail Morrison, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Belinda Dalton-Russell, Associate Vice President, Student Services; and Lara Conklin, Director, Marketing. She also introduced Mike Carpenter, Head Men's Basketball Coach; Durrell Robinson, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach; Jacob Lane, Phi Theta Kappa Chapter President; and Chad Harden, Phi Theta Kappa Vice President. Mr. Kietzmann introduced Lori Garrett, professor of Anatomy, Physiology and Biology, and Phi Theta Kappa Director. Coach Mike Carpenter introduced the Men's Basketball Team. Those present from the team were: Sergey Struck, Kyle Smith, Marcus Thomas, Ronny Bell, Anthony Ingram, Ronnie Williams, Mark Dunn, Antwone Rogers, Billy Hayes, and Ted Hardy.

Media present: Noelle McGee from the News Gazette and Anna Herkamp from the Commercial News.

ITEM 6: PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

**ITEM 7: RECOGNITION OF PHI THETA KAPPA 2008 ALL-USA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC FIRST TEAM MEMBER
AND DACC PHI THETA KAPPA CHAPTER**

Dr. Jacobs introduced Jacob Lane as the Phi Theta Kappa 2008 All-USA Community College Academic First Team Member. She stated she was honored to be in Philadelphia when Jacob received his award. She also showed the Board a new poster that will be displayed which shows Jacob's achievements. Jacob thanked everyone for their support.

Dr. Jacobs then recognized the Phi Theta Kappa Chapter. She stated she was also honored to be in Springfield when the Chapter received their awards. Jacob was selected to address the All-Illinois Academic Team and the presidents who were present. He did an outstanding job and was invited to then address the students for Lobby Day. Lori Garrett received the Distinguished Advisor International Award and the All-Illinois Advisor Team Award.

Chad Harden shared information regarding Phi Theta Kappa and its membership. PTK members pride themselves in the hallmark areas of service, fellowship, leadership, and scholarship. He noted they have been active the past year with various projects. The Chapter was the fourth finalist for Most Distinguished Chapter and placed fifth for "best" chapter out of over 1,200 chapters worldwide.

The Board members congratulated all members of Phi Theta Kappa. They noted it is remarkable what the group has accomplished as a Chapter and all the recognition they have received.

Dr. Jacobs also stated that not only was Jacob named to the All-USA Academic Team, he was also named a New Century Scholar which meant he had the highest score in Illinois.

Lori Garrett stated that Chad Harden represented the Illinois region by being the flag bearer for the State of Illinois at the opening session of the international convention. She also thanked the Board members and the community for their continued support.

**ITEM 8: RECOGNITION OF DACC JAGUARS MEN'S BASKETBALL
TEAM**

The DACC Men's Basketball Team was recognized. Dr. Jacobs introduced Mike Carpenter who has been named the 2008 District 12 Coach of the Year by the NJCAA and the 2008 Coach of the Year by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association in only his second year as head coach. Mike thanked Dr. Jacobs and the Board members for inviting him and his team to attend the Board meeting. He also recognized Assistant Coach Durrell Robinson and thanked him for all of his efforts during the season. As for the team members, he stated they are a great group of young men and he is proud to say that all six sophomores are graduating and will get the opportunity to play at the next

level. Three of the young men were also recognized nationally. Sergey Struck was named to the second team All-MWAC team, Marcus Thomas was named Second Team All-American by the NJCAA, and Anthony Ingram won the Sportsmanship Award at the National Tournament. The team finished the season 24-12 and fourth in the nation.

The Board expressed their appreciation of the team's efforts in getting into the National Tournament. The members also congratulated Coach Carpenter on his accomplishments. They received several positive comments about the sportsmanship of the team and coaching staff and it was great to have the home team in the tournament. An attendance record for the tournament was set with 14,000 attending over the four days. The Board members all agreed it was great to recognize both academic awards and athletic awards.

ITEM 9: CAREER SERVICES REPORT

Nancy Boesdorfer presented the Career Services Report. She distributed information highlighting her department to the Board members. During the past year, the Career and Employment Services Center has provided employment and career planning related services for over 1,600 students and community members. Clients range in age from 13 (8th grade) to over 60 years old and are comprised of a diverse population.

The department has been involved in numerous activities not only on campus, but in the community as well. They sponsored the Career Connections Job Fair on April 9th. Sixty-two businesses participated and over 600 students and community members attended. They also applied for and received the New Look Innovation Award, a grant from the ICCB to enhance the success of special populations. With the grant, and in partnership with Tech Prep, Vermilion Vocational Education Delivery System (VVEDS), and Vermilion Advantage, they invited the parents of county sophomore students to an evening of "Careers, Candle Light, and College". Parents received information on the career planning process and Vermilion County and national employment data, along with College Express, dual enrollment, and nontraditional opportunities available. Also, in collaboration with College Express, they provided college information and campus tours to six county high schools and 405 sophomore students.

The Board members complimented Nancy on her informative report. It is obvious the department has been very busy the last ten months. The department is essential for people who are looking for careers and giving them the guidance and skills they need to proceed forward. They also expressed their appreciation in getting parents to the college to present to them the information regarding careers and employment in the area and exposing them to DACC.

ITEM 10: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Board Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 25, 2008
- B. Financial Report
- C. Human Resources Report

Mrs. Miller noted there was an addendum to the Human Resources Report for review. The addendum included the 2008-2009 Health Insurance Adjustment, the promotion of Brian Hensgen, and Raenell Crenshaw being hired as a new employee. Upon a motion by Mr. Harby and a second by Judge O'Rourke, the Consent Agenda was adopted. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

ITEM 11: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM 12: NEW BUSINESS

A. SEATING OF STUDENT TRUSTEE

Dr. Jacobs introduced Ms. Megan Binkley as the new Student Trustee. Megan is a graduate of Danville High School and is finishing her first year as an RN Level I student and will be continuing on as a Level II student near year.

Upon motion by Mr. Cheney and a second by Mr. Harby, the Board approved the Student Trustee Election Report. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Miller administered the Oath of Office and Megan signed the Oath for the permanent record. All members congratulated Megan as the new Student Trustee.

B. BOARD CONSIDERATION OF 125 LECTURE STYLE DESKS AND CHAIRS FOR MATH AND SCIENCE AND LIBERAL ARTS DIVISIONS

Dr. Jacobs is pleased this bid is completed as new chairs and desks for the Math and Science Division and the Liberal Arts Division are needed. These 125 chairs will match similar chairs that already exist. They are replacing the desks that are the armchair tablet desks that are not large enough for many of the students. The desks have the advantage that not only adults can sit in them, but they also provide privacy and test security.

Upon a motion by Dr. Serfoss and a second by Dr. Tucker, the bid for 125 Lecture Style Desks and Chairs for the Math and Science and Liberal Arts Division was approved. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

C. BOARD CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR FINANCIAL SERVICES

Dr. Jacobs thanked Gail Morrison and Debbie Knight for their efforts in the proposal which is a time-consuming process. The proposal is presented every three years. First National Bank has provided excellent financial services to the College for the past six years; however, the best ranking with the highest net earnings potential is First Financial Bank of Ridge Farm. Gail explained the collateralization process to the Board as well as the rating process of the banks involved.

Upon a motion by Dr. Serfoss, and a second by Mr. Cheney, the Board approved First Financial Bank with a branch in Ridge Farm to provide financial services to the College for a three year period commencing July 1, 2008. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

ITEM 13: INFORMATION

Mrs. Miller reminded everyone that it is Administrative Professional's Week and wanted to recognize all of the Administrative Professionals on campus.

Mrs. Miller stated the Southwest Region of Community Colleges in the district had a meeting which was held at Kaskaskia College. Mrs. Miller and Mr. Harby attended the meeting. Mr. Harby indicated the meeting was informative. He noted the Culinary Program at Kaskaskia College runs the restaurant on campus. Mrs. Miller stated the main speaker was Karen Anderson from ICCB.

A. COMMUNICATIONS

- Letter from Carol Douglas of the Camilla Study Group of the Danville Garden Club expressing appreciation to John Blue and Amanda Krabbe. The Club recently visited the Horticulture Department.
- Letter from the NJCAA expressing appreciation to Dick Shockey for his efforts during the National Tournament.
- Letter from Franklin University regarding the number of students transferring from DACC to Franklin.
- Letter from Danville High School to Dr. Belinda Dalton-Russell regarding the ENRICH Program which was held on March 14, 2008.
- Mrs. Miller received a letter from Senator Michael Frerichs for testifying at the budget hearings at Parkland College on March 18, 2008.

Dr. Jacobs stated DACC is involved in so many activities to bring people onto the campus. Eighth graders, tenth graders, and parents are all coming to the College. There was also a Scrabble Tournament on Sunday. Ag Day was on campus. Engagement in services is one of the criteria for the Higher Learning Commission. These events do not happen without a great deal of cooperation and collaboration on the part of many individuals at DACC.

Mrs. Miller also noted that an Arbor Day Ceremony and the Employee Recognition Celebration is scheduled for Friday, April 25th. The Board Retreat is Saturday, April 26th.

ITEM 14: CLOSED SESSION FOR DELIVERATIONS CONCERNING COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATING MATTERS AND APPROVAL OF THE WRITTEN CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 26, 2007

Upon the motion being read by Mr. Cheney and a second by Mrs. Randall, the Board went into closed session at 8:10 p.m. by a unanimous voice vote. The Board came back into open session at 8:45 p.m.

ITEM 15: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, upon a motion by Mr. Cheney, and a second by Mrs. Randall, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Approved: _____