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M I N U T E S

SHAWNEE STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Board of Trustees Meeting February 21, 1983

The meeting was called to order by acting chairman, Mr. Walter N. Brown.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Rittenour, Dr. White, Dr. Carson, Mr. Brown

Members Absent: Mr. Jenkins, Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Baxter, Mr. Hyland

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rittenour moved and Dr. White seconded the motion to approve the January 17, 1983 Board of Trustees minutes.

A unanimous aye vote was cast to approve the minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Taylor read a letter from the Ohio Ethics Commission regarding financial disclosure required of Board members. Forms for this report were give to members of the Board.

Continuing his report Mr. Taylor informed the Board that bids were opened for the Natatorium and the Student Center projects. The Natatorium bids were some \$180,000 over estimate and the Student Center some \$300,000 under estimate. The Board of Regents is recommending to the Controlling Board that they transfer \$180,000 from the Student Center to the Natatorium so that both projects can be funded. The college is awaiting a letter from the State Architect's office approving such transfer so that money might be released and contracts awarded.

Mr. Taylor indicated that there is a possible problem with two of the low bidders. They are non union companies and Mr. Taylor has been contacted by the local union stating their disapproval of these contractors. Mr. Taylor informed the local union that the State Architect's office awards contracts and that the local Board has no input into the decision. If the local union has a problem with the procedure they will have to talk with the State Architect's office.

Groundbreaking for these two projects should be the first or second week in April, with construction time for completion being 12 to 14 months.

All of the \$970,000 for land acquisition from Capital Improvements monies has either been spent or is obligated. Four parcels on Front Street have not been purchased and the College will go to court to obtain these parcels. Money has also been appropriated for the demolition of property on Front Street.

Mr. Richard Norman, Ohio Board of Regents, has informed Mr. Taylor that the Board will not recommend to the Controlling Board the release of money to purchase the last three pieces of property the college needs to buy to be developed for student housing. Mr. Norman stated that this money could not be used to purchase property for student housing.

Mr. Taylor has checked with the College's lawyer and other lawyers and the consensus is that this is not a statue but perhaps a regulation of the Board of Regents. The property in question is necessary for the completion of plans to house students in the fall. Mr. Taylor indicated that he will be pursuing a solution to this problem. Perhaps the developer of the other properties will purchase these three pieces of property.

Mr. Taylor asked Mr. Foti to speak to the matter of the North Central Report. Mr. Foti distributed to the Board members copies of the North Central Report, indicating that he felt this report was very complete and that it would make an excellent guideline for the College, since each chapter is made up of an introduction, strengths, concerns, and conclusions of the committee and the summary covers all of these points, as well as indicating future action and the possibility of an on going committee to continue the evaluation of the College. Mr. Foti stated he felt there was some very positive information in this report concerning the College. He indicated that it has taken some 13 months to complete this study with much of the College community being involved in its completion. The North Central Committee will be on campus April 18, 19, 20, 1983.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees met and in the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Morgan reported on that meeting. The group hospitalization plan covering the employees of Shawnee State Community College has increased some 33%. The members of the Finance Committee recommended to the Board that the College pick up this increased hospitalization premiums from surplus monies as a gesture of good faith to the College community.

Mr. Hawk explained that the College is part of a group that includes most of the Scioto County Schools. He stated that Blue Cross had indicated that they have lost some \$93,000 applicable to the group over the past ten years. Dr. White indicated that Blue Shield was the only company that he knew of that continuously proclaims losses yet is ever increasing staff size and salaries. Dr. White feels that the College can find a plan that would better serve their employees. Some further discussion was held on the possibility of securing coverage with another company, perhaps a joint effort between the 24 community colleges in Ohio.

However, the present question of the Board picking up the increase fees was moved for approval by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Dr. Carson.

Ayes: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Rittenour, Dr. White, Dr. Carson, Mr. Brown

Nays: None

Mr. Brown, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee indicated that Mr. Taylor had covered, in his report, all matters that concern the Building and Grounds Committee at this time.

The Educational Policies Committee did not meet this month.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. White moved Resolution 40-83, that the Chairman of the Board of Trustees in concert with the President of the College appoint a committee to investigate insurance policy programs for hospitalization at Shawnee State Community College. Mr. Morgan seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Rittenour, Dr. White, Dr. Carson, Mr. Brown

Nays: None

Dr. White indicated that he is checking with Health Professionals to find how many are interested in a computer course to be held on the campus for five (5) sessions on Saturdays. He indicated he would try to find a compatible time for this course to be held and would be in touch with Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Brown, Acting Chairman, welcomed the members of Mr. James' Sociology of Education class to the Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morgan moved and Dr. Carson seconded the motion for adjournment.

A unanimous aye vote was cast.

Chairman, Board of Trustees

R. Hill Hawk

Secretary, Board of Trustees