

Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
Board of Governors' Meeting

September 5, 2007 12:00 noon
Berkeley County Commission Chambers

Present: Dave Blythe, Pete Checkovich, Bill Clark, Missy Collins, Maria Lorensen, Bill Lucht, Taylor Perry, Jane Peters, Jim Rodgers, Shirley Tolbert, Margie Ways

Guests: Sandra Baker, Dana Bateman, Senator Walt Helmick, Trudie Holder, Lauren Hough, James McDougle, Penny Mathias, Craig Miller, Marcyanna Millet, Carol Plautz, Ann Price, Lan Reel, Megan Scott, Leslie See, Ann Shipway, Sandy Sponaugle, Billie Unger, Kelly Wright

Call to Order: Jane Peters, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

Minutes: Jim Rodgers moved, Maria Lorensen seconded and the August 1, 2007 minutes were unanimously approved.

Dr. Checkovich introduced Senator Walt Helmick and recognized his efforts in securing the \$3,000,000 appropriation for the land for a new community college facility.

Bill Lucht also added his thanks to Senator Helmick for his efforts in securing funding for the land purchase.

Dr. Checkovich introduced Penny Mathias from Polo Ralph Lauren Childrenswear Distribution Center. Ann Shipway presented her with a plaque honoring the business education partnership with Polo for the past several years. Penny thanked the community college for the plaque. Blue Ridge Community and Technical College worked closely with Polo to obtain training grant funding through WV Advance, the HB3009 Workforce Development Initiative, and the Governor's Guaranteed program.

Dr. Checkovich presented his "in the media" section consisting of the following articles and/or advertisements:

- Partnership with the Berkeley County/Martinsburg Public Library
- Funding for purchase of land\
- Panhandle Home Health Care scholarship received by a Blue Ridge student
- Presentation of the Betty Pugh Memorial Scholarship
- SGA car wash and welcome back week
- Enrollment
- Blue Ridge student, Victoria Holler, winning Jefferson County Fair Queen
- Fast Track programs
- Society of Human Resource Management
- Small Business, leadership, and occupational training advertisements

Dr. Checkovich presented, *Taking Career and Technical Education to the Next Level in West Virginia*, a Senate report, Concurrent Resolution 42. The executive summary from this report proposes that the Community Colleges are responsible for all adult education in West Virginia.

Dr. Checkovich provided a report regarding the Community and Technical College System Report Card. Shirley Tolbert questioned the percentage for EMT/Paramedic test success. Carol Plautz and Dr. Checkovich explained that the testing process is strenuous. An applicant must pass every single component of the exam in order to pass.

Dr. Checkovich mentioned that the WV Council for Community & Technical College Education met in August. Dr. Checkovich shared the changes approved at the special legislation session in August. These changes include: the CCTCE meets six times a year, Board chairpersons are now allowed to have 4 succeeding one year terms, and there is a \$3M (one time) appropriation to purchase land for a new facility.

Enrollment Report: Leslie See distributed the Enrollment Management report stating that Blue Ridge has over 1000 degree seeking students. She stated that the report is still not official and that we are approximately at 64% of our target.

Executive Session: Margie Ways moved, Missy Collins seconded that the Board move into Executive Session at 1:25 p.m.

Jim Rodgers moved and Maria Lorensen seconded that the Board exit the Executive Session at 2:20 p.m.

Shirley Tolbert moved, Margie Ways seconded, the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcyanna Millet