

Community & Technical College of Shepherd  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

*Meeting Minutes, November 2, 2005*

**Present:** Dave Blythe, Peter Checkovich, Bill Clark, Vicki Douglas, Laurie Johnston, Maria Lorensen, Bill Lucht, Taylor Perry, Jane Peters, Jim Rodgers, John Sherwood, Shirley Tolbert, Margie Ways

**Guests:** Diana Bell, Trudie Holder, Marcyanna Millet, Rebecca Moore, Leslie See, Ann Shipway, Sandra Sponaugle, Peggy Talley.

**Call to order** – Meeting was called to order 12:30 pm. Dave Blythe asked everyone to help themselves to the lunch.

**Approval of minutes** – Jane Peters moved and Vicki Douglas seconded that the minutes be approved as submitted, motion passed unanimously.

**Fee Approval** – Rebecca Moore presented a fee change that will lessen the cost to students. Bill Lucht moved and Jane Peters seconded the motion that the new fees be adjusted and the motion passed unanimously. This will become effective in Spring 2006.

**Name Change Process** – Sandy Sponaugle presented the Board with the top five names and explained how the 10 final names were gathered and submitted for vote on the website from over 135 names submitted by focus groups and advisory committee meetings that included faculty, students, community leaders and general public. There was much discussion about the leaving in or taking out the word “Technical”. Only 15% of community colleges have ‘technical’ in their name. Bill Lucht and Dr. Peter Checkovich mentioned that to keep the name in would keep us part of the West Virginia state system. Jim Rodgers made the motion to “not take Technical” out of the name, Vicki Douglas seconded, with 4 ‘nays’ and 5 approvals, the motion passed.

There continued to be much discussion about how the new name should be directly linked to the domain name for a new website and whether to use .com, .net, or .edu for the extension; how to market the new name; how the new ‘initials’ would read out. With two informal paper votes narrowing the field from five to two, Jim Rodgers made the motion and Vicki Douglas seconded, to choose Blue Ridge Community & Technical College and the motion passed 10-2 with faculty representative Margie Ways and board member Shirley Tolbert opposing.

**Adjournment** – Dave Blythe thanked the Board and adjourned the meeting at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcyanna Millet  
Recording Secretary (alternate)

