

Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
Board of Governor's Meeting Minutes

October 3, 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, Trudie Holder, Lauren Hough, James McDougle, Craig Miller, George Perry, Carol Plautz, Ann Price, Megan Scott, Ann Shipway, Leslie See, Sandy Sponaugle, Brandon Truman, Billie Unger, Kelly Wright

Call to Order: Jane Peters, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m.

Minutes: Jim Rodgers moved, Margie Ways seconded and the September 5, 2007 minutes were unanimously approved.

Dr. Carol Plautz spoke of the statewide EMS Firefighting competition in which three students studying at Blue Ridge Community and Technical College attended. Dr. George Perry announced that this was a training based competition and that for the second year in a row, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College participants were awarded first place. Dr. Perry introduced one of the participants, Brandon Truman, and presented him with a certificate. Dr. Carol Plautz explained that the other two students, Sam Miller and Danielle Smith, could not attend the meeting.

Presidents Report: Dr. Checkovich reported that in the year of 2010, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College will go through accreditation again; Margie Ways is coordinating an accreditation committee. A progress report was recently completed and sent to the Higher Learning Commission, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools on Friday, September 28, 2007.

Dr. Checkovich mentioned that the financial office is in the middle of an audit and further information will be provided at a later date.

Also, Dr. Checkovich mentioned the upcoming play, *The Lone Star League*, which will be held at the Apollo Theater on Thursday October 4, 2007, Friday, October 5, 2007, and Saturday, October 6, 2007. Bill Lucht has tickets and further information.

Dr. Checkovich presented multiple articles and advertisements during his "in the media" report. There were multiple Blue Ridge Community and Technical College advertisements; and two articles about Maria Lorensen who was honored by the Girl Scouts and named as one of the Women of Distinction. Additionally, there was an article about Blue Ridge honoring Sen. Helmick; media pertaining to the Legislative Interim Schedule, the Legislators visiting Blue Ridge

CTC and the Legislators touring the facility. Dr. Checkovich also mentioned a photograph from The Martinsburg Journal of David Blythe; Mr. Blythe recently spoke to the Martinsburg Kiwanis Club. There was also an article honoring adjunct English faculty Sarah Morris as West Virginia teacher of the year. Dr. Checkovich mentioned advertisements regarding the fast track programs and Carol Plautz gave a brief description of programs offered.

Enrollment Report: Leslie See distributed the Enrollment Management Report and announced that the enrollment goal has been met and exceeded. The final fall enrollment number is 2197; this is 102% of the set goal of 2150. The current number represents a 58% increase from 2005 and a 17% increase from last year. The enrollment goal for next year is 2300. Ms. See reported that FYE is in line with where it was last year.

Executive Session: Margie Ways moved, Missy Collins seconded that the Board move into Executive Session at 12:59 p.m.

Maria Lorensen moved and Shirley Tolbert seconded that the Board exit the Executive Session at 1:35 p.m.

Missy Collins moved, Margie Ways seconded, the meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Scott