

**MINUTES
VERNON COLLEGE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 22, 2009**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILBARGER**

On this the 22nd day of July, 2009, the following members were present for the Regular Meeting of the Vernon College Board of Trustees held at 3:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the *Osborne Administration Building*, Vernon, Texas: Mr. Bob Ferguson, Chairman; Mr. Gene Heatly, Vice Chairman; Mr. Norman Brints, Secretary; Mr. Brad Bolton, Mr. Curtis Graf, Mrs. Sylvia G. Mahoney, and Mr. James Streit

Others attending: Dr. Dusty R. Johnston, President; Mr. Bob Bolton, Interim Dean of Administrative Services; Mr. John Hardin, III, Dean of Student Services/Athletic Director; Dr. Gary Don Harkey, Dean of Instructional Services; Mr. Joe Hite, Dean of Admissions/Financial Aid/Registrar; Ms. Michelle A. Alexander, Director of Institutional Advancement; Mrs. Haven David, Director of Human Resources; Mrs. Betsy Harkey, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; Mrs. Sarah Davenport, Assistant Registrar; Mrs. Stacy Lallman, President, Administrative Staff Association; Mrs. Christie Lehman, Coordinator of Marketing & Alumni Relations; Mrs. Mary King, Secretary to the President; and Ms. Kathy McClellan of *The Vernon Daily Record*.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Ferguson called the meeting to order at the appropriate time.

2. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the June 17, 2009 Regular Board Meeting

There being no comments or corrections, Chairman Ferguson announced that the Minutes stood approved as presented.

3. Action items to be considered:

A. Consideration of approval of the 2009-2010 College Catalog

Dr. Johnston presented the revised and updated catalog which was included in the packet for the board to review and officially approve. He stated that everyone did a good job.

Action: Mr. Brints made the motion to approve the catalog, seconded by Mr. Graf. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consideration of approval of Personnel changes, additions, and deletions – Possible Closed Session in Accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter 551.074 – Personnel, of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code

Dr. Johnston reported that there are several personnel items and the only reason to go into closed session is if the board has any questions. He stated that there are two resignations, and there are several employments that have been offered to replace personnel this summer. Mr. Ferguson asked if there were any positions lacking and Dr. Johnston responded yes there are still positions to fill, and hopefully those will be filled soon. Mrs. Mahoney asked why there are two Assistant Baseball coaches. Dr. Johnston responded with the explanation that there was a housing director position and an assistant baseball position open and one of the applicants interviewed for both positions. He stated that the applicant's position is only for housing director, but in his off time he will be allowed to hang out and help the baseball coach and that is the reason it was also listed as assistant baseball coach.

(1) **Resignations**

(a) Chris Aten, Campus Police Officer, effective July 6, 2009

(b) Jennifer Herrell, Biology Instructor/CCC, effective August 10, 2009

Action: Mrs. Mahoney made the motion to accept the two resignations, seconded by Mr. Graf. The motion carried unanimously.

(2) **Employments**

(a) Deborah Bagley, Health Careers Instructor/Olney High School, effective August 7, 2009, with a 9.5-month salary, 50% time, of \$18,924.50

(b) Monica Gomez, Biology Instructor, Vernon, effective August 17, 2009, with a 9 month salary of \$36,922

(c) Tony Perez, Director of Housing/Assistant Baseball Coach, effective August 1, 2009, with a 10-month salary of \$30,703 (less \$3,470 for room and meals)

(d) Alex Schenck, Assistant Baseball Coach/Resident Hall Assistant, effective August 1, 2009, with a 10-month salary of \$22,552 (less \$3,118 room and meals)

(e) Chad Smith, Agriculture/Farm & Ranch Management Instructor, effective August 3, 2009, with a 10-month salary of \$43,542

(f) Kyle Wells, Biology Instructor, effective August 17, 2009, with a 9-month salary of \$39,188

(g) Gina White, Associate Degree Nursing Instructor, effective August 10, 2009, with a 12-month salary of \$55,456

Action: Mr. Heatly made the motion to accept the employments as presented, seconded by Mr. Streit. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comment

No one was present to make any comments so the meeting continued according to the agenda.

5. President's Report

Dr. Johnston thanked the board members for attending the retreat and for the good comments they gave the guest speaker. He reported that everyone has been busy this summer filling positions and getting ready for fall with enrollment numbers as outstanding. Meetings will be held next month to coordinate and be sure everyone is on the same page as we move forward with our registration process. He was glad to report that the vetoed insurance bonds showed up at 100% this week. He also received an official letter from SACS stating everything is on go and we can move forward. The budget will be finalized with a report at the next meeting. After discussion, it was decided the next board meeting will be August 26th.

6. Adjourn

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Ferguson, Chairman

Norman Brints, Secretary