FJC BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HIGH-LITES

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A blue ribbon fact finding committee to analyze a proposal for freshman and sophomore courses at the University of North Florida was unanimously endorsed by the District Board of Trustees of Florida Junior College at Jacksonville at their DECEMBER 19, 1979 MEETING. The committee, to be composed of FJC staff, was proposed by FJC President Dr. Benjamin R. Wygal who, along with Trustee Chairman Dr. Walter G. Jarrell, has publicly opposed UNF's bid to offer freshman-sophomore level courses. Dr. Wygal and Dr. Jarrell have, however, favored continuation and strengthening of the 2 + 2 concept under which FJC and UNF cooperate to ease the transfer of credits from the first two years at FJC so students can complete their last two years of degree studies at UNF. Dr. Wygal said the blue ribbon panel would present its findings to the FJC trustees, hopefully for the Board's endorsement. Pending the committee's report, the Board further endorsed the stands taken by Dr. Wygal and Dr. Jarrell. Additional support for the administration's posture was given at the meeting by H. Edward Fleming, chairman of FJC's Faculty Senate. Mr. Fleming presented a resolution adopted by the Senate calling for continuation and expansion of the 2 + 2 program; promotion of FJC-UNF inter-faculty communication and in-service training to foster better understanding between the institutions; sharing of campus facilities where feasible to save state monies and reduce institutional budgets; enrichment and expansion of upper level programs at UNF complementary to lower level offerings at FJC, resulting in higher enrollments at UNF; and adoption of a common calendar and class scheduling between FJC and UNF.

In other action, the Board unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing establishment of an Institute for Private Enterprise as a joint effort between the College, the FJC Foundation, and area business, industry, and education leaders. The resolution stated the Institute will build on existing FJC programs and develop and implement new programs to "inculcate a sense of worth of private enterprise in our economic society and dispel the many misconceptions about business and industry that exist today." The Board praised Guy Marvin, Fred Seely and Donald T. Martin, members of the FJC Foundation's Executive Committee who laid the groundwork for the Institute.