



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

A Report of the FJC District Board of Trustees Meeting

Board Okays Salary Increases For Part-Time Faculty

Part-time faculty teaching college credit courses will receive a salary increase thanks to the Florida Junior College Board of Trustees. The Board approved the salary hike during their **DECEMBER 21, 1983 MEETING** held at the FJC North Campus. Salary levels were increased \$6.00 per hour as follows: \$15.00 per hour for instructors with bachelor degrees; \$16.00 per hour for instructors holding masters; and \$17.00 per hour for instructors with a doctorate degree.

Graduation Requirements Adopted

The Board adopted new graduation requirements for the Associate in Arts and Associate in Science/Applied Science degrees and the Technical Certificate Program. The new ruling, effective Fall Term 1984, states that if the student expects to complete coursework under the terms of the catalog in effect during the term of the student's first registration, the student must graduate within four years after the year of first registration in a college credit program. Prior to the change, a student could graduate under the catalog which was in effect between the term in which the student entered FJC as a college credit student and the term in which the student graduated.

Trustees also approved changes in the Associate in Arts degree General Education Requirements (GER) for the areas of Social Science, Natural Science, Mathematics, Communications, and Additional Hours. Statements of Rationale, General Philosophy Statement, Statement of Purpose, GER Detail Changes and Modification to the GER for Associate in Science Degree were reviewed and approved.

The Trustees okayed additions, deletions, and modifications of

courses which included the inactivation of 17 college credit and 32 non-college credit courses. Additionally, courses in Data Processing, Civil Engineering, Electrical/Electronics, Art, Recording Techniques, Road Vehicle and Small Gas Engine, and World Literature were modified as appropriate. The Board also approved the addition of two new courses to be added to the Fall Term 1984 schedule to include "Understanding Community Economic Development" and "Chamber Choir."

Non-Florida Resident Non-College Credit Course Rate Doubled

In accordance with amendments to the State Board of Education Rule 16-14.54(4) dated November 17, 1983, the Trustees approved an increase for non-resident tuition fees in the non-college credit courses effective Summer Term 1984. The new tuition fees will be doubled for non-resident students enrolling in postsecondary vocational, postsecondary adult vocational and compensatory instruction.

Community Consensus Reviewed

The 1984 Consensus Agenda from the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce was presented to the Board and a resolution to endorse the agenda was made and carried. Highest on the priority list of concerns was the defeat of Proposition One, the proposed constitutional amendment to roll back taxes to the 1980/81 levels in Florida. Should the public referendum pass this Fall, educational institutions could see a 25 percent cut in funding and funding would be limited to increases of only five percent per year with no regard to enrollment, revenue or state growth. The Consensus additionally listed, as continuing priorities, full funding for the 1984 opening of the University of North Florida lower division and continued funding for the Council for In-

terinstitutional Planning (CIP) of which FJC, the University of North Florida, Jacksonville University and Edward Waters College are members. The Board voted to endorse the agenda with the addition of a concern for health care cost containment and modification to support the addition of business, engineering medical and high technology of higher education programs in Jacksonville (not limited to graduate programs).

FJC Faculty Recognized

FJC Economics Professor Elizabeth Otto was recognized for her special achievements this year. Board Chairman Dr. Walter Jarrell and President Benjamin R. Wygal presented Professor Otto with an award given by the Joint Council on Economic Education for her presentation of "Understanding Community Economic Development." FJC faculty, career and administrative employees were further recognized for their involvement and achievements at the recent Florida Association of Community Colleges convention.

Grant Programs Approved

The Board approved the following sponsored programs in Competitive Grant Submission: Marine Technical Center, Microcomputer Software Review and Faculty In-Service Training, Work Service Program Planning Grant, and Dislocated Workers Who Are Handicapped/A Planning Grant. Non-competitive Formula Project Submissions approved include Small Business Administration Seminars and Workshops, College Reach-Out Program, Council for Interinstitutional Planning, Dislocated Workers - City of Jacksonville, and Library Resources 1984/85 for Kent, South, North and Downtown Campuses.