Florida Community College at Jacksonville

BOARD ACTION

A Report of the FCCJ District Board of Trustees Meeting

August 18, 1987

CERTIFICATION REVISIONS APPROVED: Florida Community College trustees approved revisions to the board rules governing certification to clarify language, update certification, and provide certification for librarians and persons teaching senior adults. The revisions are in accordance with certification guidelines established by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). A certification guideline booklet will be available for distribution to all faculty at the August 25 convocation at Kent Campus. Action by the board to approve revisions was taken during their AUGUST 18, 1987 MEETING.

BOARD OFFICERS ELECTED: Trustees held their own election for officers to lead the board during 1987/88. Nathan Wilson will continue to serve as board chairman and Betty Cook and Alton Yates will also continue to serve as vice chairpersons of Nassau and Duval counties, respectively.

MEETING DAY CHANGES: In an effort to accommodate the new city government responsibilities of board members Alton Yates and Bernard Shainbrown, the trustees voted to change their meeting day to the third Wednesday of the month. Time of meeting will remain at 4 p.m. and regular place of meeting will be the board room at CAB. Trustees voted to change the times of committee meetings to allow more time to discuss human resources and finance issues. The new times are: 2 - 2:45 p.m. for the Instruction and Institutional Advancement and Student Development committees; and 2:45 - 4 p.m. for the Human Resources and the Finance and Facilities committees.

NEW AS PROGRAM INTRODUCED: The board approved the introduction of a new Associate in Science degree program, "Career and Technical Skills for the Military." The program will be introduced this fall term. The degree was established to enhance promotional opportunities for military personnel and establish a college credit base for further achievement.

NEW COURSES ADDED: Two new courses will be added to the fall term roster with the board's approval of "Medical Terminology for the Health Professions" and "Weight Management Through Fitness and Nutrition."

Alton W. Yates Vice Chairman Duval County Nathan H. Wilson Chairman Betty P. Cook Vice Chairman Nassau County

Bernard J. Shainbrown Donald D. Zell

John M. Carr

Diane B. Carver

Leonard L. Mosby, Jr.



CHAIRPERSONS GRANTED STIPEND FOR SERVICES: Trustees voted to approve the award of \$1,200 as a stipend for services for each instructional employee assuming responsibilities as a department chairperson for the 1987/88 academic year. The stipend will be paid in three installments during the 1987/88 year. Department Chairpersons for the year are:
Marcia Bain, Jeff Bertsch, Dale Blackwell, John Bladel, Alfred Boateng, Barbara Bradford, Willie Mae Brinson, Merry Carter, Fuan Cheng, Betsy Davis, Charles Douglass, Jerry Drum, Pat Ellis, Charles Feldstein, Vivien Ferry, Audrey Flynn, Warren Fowler, Henry Gagliardi, and Linda Grant. Also, Pat Greene, Jene Hall, Lynda Hartnig, Ker-Fong Lee, Gail Lefevre, John MacDonald, Scott Martin, Joe Molenda, Wayne Morris, John Mullins, Bobbie Murray, Greg Nelson, Elise Patterson-Crate, Bettye Sessions, Mary E. Shanklin, Charles Smires, Jon Taylor, Derby Ulloa, and James Woods.

POSITIONS APPROVED: The board approved several recommendations by the College's Human Resources department which include the establishment of two new positions; Golf Coach and Business Office Coordinator.

EIGHTEEN PROFESSORS AWARDED CONTINUING CONTRACTS: Trustees approved the award of continuing contracts to 18 professors who have complied with new rulings governing the award of such contracts by the College. The 18 were among 24 faculty members awarded a fourth year annual contract for 1987/88 in lieu of the continuing contract so they might meet newly established criteria and present their cases for administrative consideration and board action. Each faculty member has completed a documentation notebook as required and demonstrated having met the criteria of commitment and contribution to student success; contribution to the College, discipline, field or support area; professional approval by colleagues; and presentation by the supervising administration.

Faculty members are: Lall Comar, Charles Feldstein, Steven Grant, Margaret Greene, Barbara Kimbrell, Marlene Kovaly, William Marsico, Robert McCown, Karen-Jean Munoz, William Radulovich, and Robert Rinker. Also, Hazel Simmons, Sven Sloth, Barry Weber, Carol White, Brenda Wood, James Woods, and Zaitoon Zafar.

"This was a very impressive effort on the part of our faculty and a good effort all around with cooperation from assistant deans, deans and administration," said Dr. E. Timothy Lightfield, vice president of instruction.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED: Trustees approved the appointments of the following new staff: Dr. Sharon Cooper to the administrative position of Assistant Dean of Consumer and Human Services; Vincent Jackson to the instructional position of Professor of Economics - Kent Campus; and Iliana Fernandez to the instructional position of Professor of Foreign Language - South Campus. Trustees also approved the appointment of Ms. Pat Ellis to the position of Instructional Program Manager of English As a Second Language and Dr. Pamela Grey to the professional position of Research Analyst.

MINORITY RECRUITMENT EFFORTS REPORTED: A special report on the progress of the appointed Blue Ribbon Task Force on Minority Recruitment and

Retention was presented to the board by Dr. Charles Dassance and Dean Charlotte Minter. Dean Minter gave an overview of the status of efforts by the College in recruitment and retention of black students stating this is the College's No. 1 priority in recruitment plans for the next five years. Dean Minter also said that the committee, comprised of College staff and respected black community leaders, will continue to develop strategies and activities targeted to black students to encourage enrollment and completion of education. Led by Alton Yates, the board commended the task force for its leadership and efforts in this endeavor.

CIS UPDATE; OUTLOOK BRIGHTER: Dean Carol Miner presented the trustees with an update on the status of funding for Community Instructional Services (CIS). Dean Miner said the College is in better shape than any of the community colleges in the state in its response to the CIS funding cuts. She said FCCJ is continuing to work to find alternatives to funding and maintaining as many CIS courses as possible, especially in the area of senior adults classes. Dean Miner attributed the successful response to the enthusiastic support of College staff and instructors.

STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS REPORTED: Dr. Spence reported the progress of the College's strategic planning process which involved more than 800 employees plus outside advisory groups in meetings to lay the foundation for the College's five year strategic plan. Four areas of emphasis will be student success, valued employees, innovation with excellence, and quality communications.

BOARD HONORS MOULDER: Trustees honored outgoing Foundation President William C.A. Moulder with a proclamation citing his many contributions to the College, Foundation and community. The attorney will continue to be an active member of the Foundation governing board. The new Foundation president is businessman Campbell Smith. "It's been a pleasure to serve as Foundation president, but hard work. The bond between the Foundation and College is strong thanks to the leadership of Dr. Spence. FCCJ will continue to receive my support in its endeavors," said Moulder.

PEGGY FRIEDMANN HONORED: Trustees also honored Peggy Friedmann, former FCCJ trustee and current member of the State Board of Community Colleges. Dr. Spence read the resolution which cited her support throughout the years of College activities and actions and her involvement as editor of Kalliope, a journal of women's literary works. Ms. Friedmann, in turn, thanked the board and College staff with a play on resolution wording which brought laughter and applause from the board and audience.

"JAILBIRD" EVENT RECOGNIZED: Dr. Ezekiel Bryant, vice president of community affairs, presented Dr. Spence with a framed characature print on behalf of the College as a memento of Dr. Spence's participation in the successful American Cancer Society "Jail & Bail" event. The three-day jail-a-thon brought in more than \$115,000 in pledges to the Cancer Society. College employees and members of the FCCJ Foundation contributed more than \$2300 for Dr. Spence's "release." Mary Joan Hinson, artist for the work presented, was recognized for her talents and Judge Sharon Tanner, co-chair for the citywide event, made a short

presentation thanking the College for its involvement and Dr. Spence "for his sense of humor."

ARTIST SERIES PERFORMANCES APPROVED: Trustees okayed the slate of performances recommended for 1987/88 Artist Series season.

Presentations include "La Cage Aux Folles," "Tango Argentino," "CATS," and "Mark Twain Tonight" in addition to other top rated performances.

TUITION FEES RULING REVISED: Trustees approved a measure to revise the board ruling governing employee and dependent tuition fees to remove the limitation on the amount of matriculation and tuition fees paid for by the College for board employees and their dependents taking courses at FCCJ.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting of the trustees will be held Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 4 p.m. in CAB 451.