

BLUEFIELD STATE COLLEGE  
Board of Governors  
April 19, 2012

**Members Present:** Mr. Norris Kantor (via conference call), Ms. Anne Taylor, Mr. James Palmer, III, Mr. Richard Bezjak, Dr. Sarita Rhonemus, Mr. Jerome Powell, Dr. Norman Mirsky, Mr. Larry Ratliff, Mr. Robert Perkinson, Jr.

**Members Absent:** Mr. Roger Topping

**Guests/Staff:** Dr. Tom Blevins, Mr. John Cardwell, Mr. Jim Nelson, Dr. Lewis Jones, Ms. Shelia Johnson, Dr. Tracey Anderson, Ms. Christina Brogdon, Mr. Tom Cook, Ms. Deirdre Guyton, Ms. Sue Guyton, Mr. Tom Harrison, Ms. Shannon Oliver, Mr. Mike Lilly, Ms. Angie Lambert

**Welcome, Chair's Remarks, and Call to Order – Chairman James J. Palmer, III**

Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order in the Bluefield State College Othello Harris-Jefferson Student Center Private Dining Room at 7:00 p.m.

**President's Report – Dr. Tom Blevins**

- Added Property Update – Dr. Blevins reported that the institution is currently working to secure a lease on the gas company property for parking purposes. There will be a meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 to further discuss the lease of the property. He also reported discussions with Norfolk Southern concerning the roadway property next to the train tracks which could connect both sides of the campus without crossing Highway 52.
- Outstanding Campus Issues – Dr. Blevins called the group's attention to the Associate Degree Nursing report contained in the BOG packet members received prior to the meeting. He reported that a plan is in motion and a series of focused strategies have been prepared and implemented to better prepare students for the Nursing Board exams. Discussion followed.

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made (NKantor/ATaylor) to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda included:

- Minutes of the February 16, 2012 Meeting
- Enrollment Update
- Financial Report
- Academic Affairs Update
  - o Criminal Justice Program Review 2012
  - o Rad Tech Program Review 2012
- Cabinet Reports
  - o Media Relations
  - o Institutional Research and Effectiveness Update
  - o Human Resources
    - Policy #33 Classified Salary Revision
    - Policy #36 Textbook Policy
    - Policy #43 Research and Scholarship Misconduct

- Policy #53 Extramural Grants and Contracts Administration
- Approval of the Boyd Conference Room Naming Opportunity

### **Discussion Agenda**

- Approval for Extending Metro rate to Associate degree graduates of Central Virginia Community College in Lynchburg, Virginia – Mr. Cardwell reviewed reduced tuition rates for the various counties bordering WV and the need to extend that rate to Central Virginia Community College. Discussion followed. A motion was made (LRatliff/RBezjak) to approve the resolution extending the Metro rate to CVCC. Motion carried.
- Tuition and Fee Increases – Ms. Johnson reviewed the information contained in the BOG packet received by members prior to the meeting. Mr. Powell discussed the hardship tuition and fee increases will have on the student body. Discussion followed. A motion was made (RPerkinson/NMirsky) to accept the recommendation of the BSC Budget Committee and President for proposed increases, effective fiscal year 2012-2013. Motion carried with Mr. Powell opposed.
- Addition to RADS Program Offerings – Dr. Jones and Dean Angie Lambert discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the BS Radiologic Sciences Nuclear Medicine Collaborative Program between Bluefield State College and Regis College. Dean Lambert reported that more work must be done on the MOU but the group will be working toward having the final agreement ready for approval and signatures at the June BOG meeting.

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made (NMirsky/SRhonemus) to enter Executive Session. Motion carried.

A motion was made (NMirsky/RPerkinson) to return to Regular Session. Motion carried.

### **Next Meeting Date – June 21, 2012**

Next regular meeting will be on June 21, 2012 in the BSC Private Dining Room.

### **Presidential Search Committee Meeting Date – May 10, 2012**

A Presidential Search Committee meeting will be held on May 10, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the BSC Private Dining Room to review and discuss applications for BSC President.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Barilla