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AGENDA

October 22, 1970

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WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT 512
COUNTIES OF COOK, KANE, LAKE, AND MCHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Thursday, October 22, 1970

CALL TO ORDER:

In the absence of Chairman Hamill, Vice-Chairman Nicklas called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Junior College District No.512 at 8:10 p.m., on October 22, 1970, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, Algonquin and Roselle Roads, Palatine.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Members John Haas, Milton Hansen, Lawrence Moats, Joseph Morton and Jessalyn Nicklas.
Absent: Members James Hamill and Richard Johnson

Also present: Robert E. Lahti, M. Bartos, William Bush, Diane Callin, Joseph Clouser, L. Collister, G. Fischer, Robert Hughes, Jack Lucas, T.R.McCabe, D. McKay, W.J.Mann, John Muchmore, Lee Owens, Henry Roepken, Irene Sanderson, C.H.Schauer, James R. Sturdevant, Frank Vandever, George Voegel, and Betty Windham--Harper College; Tom Wellman--Paddock Publications; C.Lucas--Daily Courier; and L.E.Hutchings.

MINUTES:

Member Haas moved approval of the minutes of the regular Board meeting of October 8, 1970. Member Hansen seconded the motion. Vice-Chairman Nicklas suggested that on page 2, in the last paragraph, the word legislature should be corrected to read, "legislation." Motion unanimous.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Member Morton read a letter he had received from the Northwest Cooperative Mental Health Association requesting that a member of the college be appointed to act as a liaison between Dr.Traeger and the Northwest Mental Health Association. Dr. Fischer informed the Board that the Northwest Cooperative Mental Health Association is trying to incorporate all different agencies within the township in this organization for a more cooperative approach to the handling of mental health problems. He stated he was on that committee. It was agreed that Dr. Fischer was the college's representative. Vice-Chairman Nicklas suggested Dr. Lahti make appropriate reply to letter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:
Demographic Study
of Harper College
District

Dr. Lahti referred to Exhibit A on population projections. He stated he was not sure the administration was ready to ask for action on this exhibit and also pointed out the Board might not want to act in light of the absence of Member Johnson. Vice-Chairman Nicklas stated she felt the Board would want the comments and evaluations of Member Johnson and pointed out that the evaluation on the third company was not complete.

Dr. Lucas reviewed the background on the proposed population projection. He referred to a discussion in June on obtaining data for a possible second campus. He stated one of the problems discussed was population density and the need for more information and better estimates of densities for the future. Dr. Lucas stated consulting firms were solicited and the administration had three firms to present. However, he stated, the proposal from the third firm--Real Estate Corporation--had just been received in the past week and more references were needed on them.

Further discussion followed on the purpose and advantages of such a study, after which the Board agreed this matter would be postponed to the next Board meeting.

Educational
Presentation--
Communications
Division

Dr. Schauer presented Mr. Michael Bartos, Chairman of the Division of Communications. Mr. Bartos stated, "The main concern of the Division of Communications is students and their minds. We have no elaborate laboratories or shops or great capital outlay for equipment. We deal chiefly in ideas, in the written word, in humanity and what it means to be a human being." He stated the emphasis of his presentation would be the people in the division and the people they influence.

In his presentation, Mr. Bartos discussed the programs in the Division of Communications, the number of faculty and staff and the future of the division. He discussed experiments in progress, innovations which have taken place and use of the electronic equipment available in the college. In the future, he stated, innovations and experimentation were expected in all areas of the Division's curriculum. Along with an increase in enrollment, an increase in course offerings was expected.

NEW BUSINESS:

Educational
Presentation--
Communications
Division (cont.)

He discussed the anticipated increased use of large lecture halls in the English areas and Speech areas. He stated by the end of the year they hoped to have a library technical assisting program and another in some aspect of the theatre. During his presentation, slides were shown of activities in the Communications Division, and a brief segment of "A Streetcar Named Desire" as done by students was shown on videotape. Mr. Bartos introduced the following faculty members, Mrs. Diane Callin, Mr. Lee Owens, Mrs. Irene Sanderson, Mr. John Muchmore, Mr. Henry Roepken, and Mr. Joseph Sturtevant, from the Communications Division.

In the discussion which followed, Mr. Bartos and the faculty discussed and answered questions relative to the percentage of part-time teachers, the use of large lecture halls, the developmental program, the importance of English 101, the student-teacher ratio, upper division courses in foreign language, teaching interns, etc.

Vice-Chairman Nicklas thanked Mr. Bartos and his faculty for their presentation. Mr. Bartos thanked the Board on behalf of the Communications Division.

Educational Pre-
sentation--Math
and Physical
Sciences Div.

Dr. Schauer presented Mr. Larry Collister, Chairman of the Division of Math and Physical Sciences. Mr. Collister pointed out that in contrast to the Division of Communications, the Division of Math and Physical Sciences does have physical equipment inventory, and discussed the tremendous task of moving this equipment from the temporary campuses to the present campus. Mr. Collister discussed the faculty and staff, their background and experience. Using the overhead projector, Mr. Collister discussed the specific courses offered in his division. Mr. Collister spoke of the plans of the division for the future, possible courses being considered, and at the developmental level, new techniques and services undergoing study and review.

Further discussion ensued on the role of the advisory committee, option of pass-fail grades possibly in two year programs, identifying teachers on program listings prior to registration, part-time teachers, class sizes, open house for high school students, consideration of courses in pollution control and environmental technology, and the problems involved with some of these matters.

NEW BUSINESS:
(Cont.)

Vice-Chairman Nicklas thanked Mr. Collister and his faculty on behalf of the Board for their presentation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Lahti reported that Mr. Mann and he had attended the public hearing on financing of community colleges. He stated he had given some testimony that Harper would support the formula in general because it was an interim step and also a step toward financing Harper on a more equal basis with other colleges in the State of Illinois.

Dr. Lahti referred to a letter from Anthony Scariano, Representative in the Illinois General Assembly, copies of which he had distributed to the Board, questioning the increased costs at Harper and other community colleges. After discussion, Dr. Lahti was instructed to write a response to Representative Scariano's letter.

Dr. Lahti informed the Board that the college's legal firm had requested the Board meet in executive session in order to brief the Board on the college's legal status. The Board agreed to meet in executive session on Tuesday, October 27, at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Haas moved and Member Morton seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned at 11:25 p.m. Motion unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Nicklas

Secretary Moats