MINUTES
Somerset Community College
Board of Directors
May 7, 2009

Board Members Present:
Ms. Charlene Harris, Chair
Mr. Clay Parker Davis, Vice Chair
Ms. Mardi Montgomery
Mr. Dale Weddle
Mr. Jeremy W. Jones

Board Members Absent:
Mr. Gary Upchurch, Secretary
Mr. Eric Dicken
Ms. Lois McWhorter
Ms. Pam Turner

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harris called the meeting of the Somerset Community College Board of Directors to order at 1:04 p.m. in the Citizens National Bank Community Room of the Harold Rogers Student Commons. She announced the completion of the term for Mr. Jones, student representative to the Board, and thanked him for his service to the Board. She also announced that Ms. Mira Spangler-Baker would be the student representative to the Board for 2009-2010; Ms. Lois McWhorter was re-elected as faculty representative to the Board; and, the election for the staff representative has not yet been held.

APPROVAL

Chair Harris asked for a motion for approval of the minutes from the January Board meeting as mailed to them in their Board books, if there were no corrections or additions.

MOTION: Mr. Davis moved that the Board approve the minutes of the January 22, 2009 meeting. Mr. Weddle seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion was passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Marshall reported to the Board that the spring 2009 enrollment number totaled 6,853, up from last spring's enrollment of 6,112. Current summer enrollment is 1,368, slightly ahead of the previous summer enrollment. Final summer 2008 enrollment was 1,883.

The Laurel Campus Allied Health/Academic Technical Building is under construction and on target for completion by December 1st,

opening Spring 2010 with current programs. New programs, Associate Degree Nursing and Pharmacy Tech, will not begin until Fall 2010.

For the fourth time in five years, SCC has been named to the top 25 Best Places to Work in Kentucky. SCC, the only educational institution to be named, placed 11th in the rankings.

Honors Night was held April 24th in London at the Community Center. The event has grown over the years and it was standing room only at this year's event, just as it has been at the Commencement ceremonies.

SCC's student newspaper, *The Bridge*, won best overall newspaper among KCTCS colleges.

The fourth annual Earth Day celebration was held on the Somerset Campus April 19th. The event had to be moved indoors because of inclement weather and approximately 300 people attended.

Skills USA competition produced state winners from both the Laurel and Somerset campuses. They will compete in a national competition in June.

SCC recently received a bequest from the William and Julia Cundiff Trust in the amount of $268,729.56. This scholarship endowment is being matched by the KCTCS endowment fund.

Upcoming events: Commencement will be held Friday, May 8th at 7:30 pm at The Center for Rural Development. The annual SCC employee Fish Fry is scheduled for May 14th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Board members are invited to come.

On Sunday, May 10th, they will be a special screening of the SCC Theatre's film, *Nancy Barry's Big Case*. It will be at 7:30 pm at the Carnegie Community Arts Center and admission is free. The film has also been accepted for the World Independent Film Expo in Richmond, KY to be held the weekend of May 15th.

The SCC Theatre Department is joining with the Pisgah Schoolhouse Jammers to present a *Tribute to Hee Haw* in Stoner Little Theatre on Friday, May 29th at 7:00 pm.

The East End Gallery in Stoner Hall will have the Fifth Annual Regional High School Art Exhibit through May 28th.

The SCC Music Department held a successful Spring Choral Concert on Friday, April 24th.

President Marshall called on David Wiles to update the Board on the Community, Workforce and Economic Development Department, which is being changed to Workforce Solutions. Mr. Wiles informed the Board of a recent forum held with fourteen employers as part of the Workforce Competitiveness Initiative. The purpose of the forum was to find out how to better help local businesses.

The SCC Lineman Training program is getting a lot of attention since it only the third college in the United States with such a program. The program will be the cover feature of the July *Kentucky Living* magazine.

The SCC Workforce Solutions Department is in the first phase of starting a new commercial driver's license training program. It is anticipated that the program will be up and running by the end of June.

The Department is also continuing to work with the Industrial Consortium and Kentucky WINS.

ACTION ITEM

Mr. Zimmerman presented the FY 2009–2010 Operating Budget Request.

Mr. Zimmerman presented to the Board a budget that will actually be $204,600 less than the 2008-2009 budget. The reserve for the new fiscal year has been reduced due to the economic downturn causing a very tight budget year and also due to some very important KCTCS initiatives – Workplace Competitiveness, Transfer Advising Services and Developmental Education. After presenting the particulars of the budget request, Mr. Zimmerman requested the Board of Directors approve the estimated request of $45,648,000 for FY 2009-2010, as presented, with the understanding a few minor modifications may be made by KCTCS.

President Marshall commended Mr. Zimmerman and his department on the preparation of the budget and Chair Harris commended the College on the good management of a tight budget.

Chair Harris asked for a motion to approve the FY 2009-2010 Operating Budget Request.

MOTION: Mr. Davis moved that the Board approve the Budget Request as presented. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Chair Harris announced the next scheduled Board meeting will be July 23, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Weddle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm.

July 23, 2009
Date Approved By
Board of Directors

Charlene Harris, Chair
SCC Board of Directors

Gary Upchurch, Secretary
SCC Board of Directors

Jo Marshall, Ph.D.
SCC President & CEO