

MINUTES
Somerset Community College
Board of Directors
January 28, 2010

Board Members Present:

Ms. Charlene Harris, Chair
Mr. Gary Upchurch, Secretary
Mr. Jonathon Arnett
Ms. Mardi Montgomery

Ms. Lois McWhorter
Ms. Mira Spangler-Baker
Ms. Pam Turner

Board Members Absent:

Mr. Clay Parker Davis, Vice Chair
Mr. Eric Dicken

Mr. Dale Weddle

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harris called the meeting of the Somerset Community College Board of Directors to order at 1:05 p.m. in the Citizens National Bank Community Room of the Harold Rogers Student Commons. She welcomed new Board member Jonathon Arnett and congratulated Mr. Arnett on his business being chosen as the Chamber Business of the Year.

APPROVAL

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

MOTION: Mr. Upchurch moved that the Board approve the minutes of the October 22, 2009 meeting. Ms. Turner seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

***PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS***

President Marshall reported an official Somerset Community College Fall 2009 enrollment of 8,201 versus a final enrollment number of 7,175 for Fall 2008. To date, Spring 2010 enrollment is 6,471 vs. 5,272 in 2009.

The capital projects in McCreary and in London are complete. Art classes are now in session in the new McCreary Center addition. Furniture and equipment are being installed in the new building on the Laurel Campus. A biology lab is in the design phase for SCC's Russell Center. There are approximately 900 students attending

the Russell Center. Since the Russell Center is now owned by SCC, an Open House was hosted on October 28, 2009.

On October 30, 2009, Dr. Michael McCall, KCTCS President, visited SCC for an advocacy community forum. We met with the SCC Impact Team and Opportunity Council. In addition, there were several meetings throughout the day with students, faculty and staff. Dr. McCall seemed to enjoy the day and the students appeared to enjoy meeting him. One of the purposes of Dr. McCall's visit was to encourage people to join the Kentuckians for Community and Technical Colleges and advocate for our colleges with legislators. Dr. Marshall encouraged Board members to also join in. Cindy Clouse was available with a computer after the meeting to assist Board members who wanted to enroll.

Dr. Marshall mentioned the 2010 SCC calendar and offered extras to anyone who needed more.

The week of January 18 was SCC's Advocacy Week in Frankfort. There was a good turnout of SCC faculty, staff and students. Ms. Spangler-Baker was asked to sing at the House opening session. She did a beautiful job signing the national anthem and *My Old Kentucky Home*. Also, PTA student Valarie Cooper was honored by a resolution read by Senator McGaha.

SCC was again named one of the "Best Places to Work in Kentucky." It's especially an honor given the fact of the difficult economic times and the fact that employees have not received a raise in two years.

Dr. Marshall invited Board members to attend the KCTCS Rally Day in Frankfort on February 25, 2010. All KCTCS colleges will be represented to advocate with legislators and the Governor.

The SCC Theater continues to have programs and Dr. Marshall invited Board members to check the SCC website for activities.

The eighth Lineman Program is currently underway for the Workforce Solutions Department. The Workforce Solutions Department is currently pursuing a Commercial Drivers License program for the College and also pursuing the establishment of a CPR/First Aid Center, which has over 400 established providers. It has been a good year with KYWINS and all the other Workforce Solutions programs.

Dr. Marshall just learned that SCC had the highest percentage of transfer students in the system.

The spotlight program for the Board meeting was the SCC Cosmetology program. Dr. Marshall introduced Jerry Copenhaver, Jennifer Owens and Joni Upchurch, who then presented the Cosmetology program to the Board.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Chair Harris expressed how much she enjoys the spotlight Programs and expressed amazement on how many programs are offered and how the College has grown. Ms. Montgomery expressed her gratitude to the College for hosting a meeting with the Dean and Associate Dean of the UK College of Engineering. The meeting was a great success.

Chair Harris announced the next scheduled Board meeting will be April 15, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Upchurch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

4-15-10

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