

**MINUTES**  
**Somerset Community College**  
**Board of Directors**  
**April 21, 2011**

**Board Members Present:**

Ms. Charlene Harris, Chair  
Mr. Clay Parker Davis, Vice Chair  
Ms. Pam Turner, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Arnett

Mr. Eric Dicken  
Ms. Mardi Montgomery  
Mr. Dale Weddle  
Ms. Lois McWhorter

**Board Members Absent:**

Mr. Gary Upchurch  
Ms. Samantha Walls

***CALL TO ORDER***

Chair Harris called the meeting of the Somerset Community College Board of Directors to order at 1:01 p.m. in the Citizens National Bank Community Room in the Harold Rogers Student Commons.

***MINUTES***

Chair Harris asked Ms. Turner to present the minutes. Ms. Turner 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. Weddle moved that the Board approve the minutes of the January 20, 2011 meeting. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion was passed unanimously.

***PRESIDENT'S  
REMARKS***

Dr. Marshall updated the Board on the spring 2011 enrollment, which is 8,257 vs. 7,324 last spring. As of April 14, summer enrollment is 1,963 vs. 1,566 this time last year.

The landscape project on the Somerset North Campus should be finished within the next couple of weeks. The Library is now going to be the Learning Commons. The newly renovated space for the Learning Commons will be inviting to students to come for tutoring, visiting, etc.

Dr. Marshall introduced Burkesville resident and PTA student Chris Garland, who on April 11 was featured in USA Today as one of twenty students chosen for the All USA Academic Team. Dr. Marshall commended Ron Meade and Steve Hammons for making the PTA program one of the top in the nation. Other awards Chris has received include the 2011 Outstanding Physical Therapist Assistant Student award (fourth year in a row an SCC student has received this award); 2011 Coca-Cola New Century Scholar, making her the top community college student in Kentucky; and the prestigious 2011 Mary McMillan Scholarship Award. Ms. Garland spoke to the Board about her journey and her time at SCC.

Somerset Community College was honored at the Best Places to Work Awards dinner for the sixth time, placing 18<sup>th</sup> out of 39 large category business winners (250+ employees).

Honors night was held on Friday, April 15 in London at the Community Center. In total, 155 students were honored.

Earth Day was held on the Somerset Campus on April 17 in cooperation with several community organizations. More than 700 guests visited the campus for the event.

The Harriett Simpson Arnow Literary Conference was held on Friday, April 8 on the Somerset Campus. There were creative writing workshops with Bianca Spriggs, Sherry Robinson, Crystal Wilkinson, and Wanda Fries.

Upcoming events include Commencement, which will be held on Friday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. at The Center for Rural Development. The total number of students eligible to graduate is 1,121 students, of which more than 312 have decided to participate in the Commencement Ceremony.

SCC is participating with KCTCS in the Professional Development: Art of Rome, Florence and Paris from June 21 – 30. Several SCC employees will be going on the tour.

The New Horizons Conference will be held in May. Each college nominates and honors an outstanding faculty member, administrative member, and staff member. SCC's honorees are Linda Ballard (faculty member), Linda Bourne (administrative member), and Christine Adams (staff member).

The Theatre's spring play, SKETCHES, was successfully performed on April 15 and 16.

Dr. Marshall asked Alesa Johnson from Workforce Solutions Officer to update the Board on their activities. Ms. Johnson updated the Board on the Lineman Training program, a partnership with SKRECC and the Lake Cumberland ADD office on a grant, and a partnership with Hendrickson to provide training for their new hires.

Dr. Marshall asked Linda Bourne to speak on the dual credit program for high school students.

Dr. Marshall pointed out highlights in the Spring 2010 to Spring 2011 Strategic Plan Accomplishments booklet mailed to Board members.

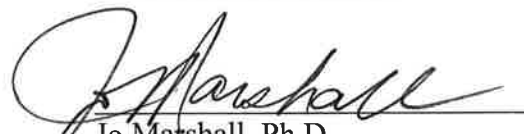
***CHAIR'S REMARKS***

Chair Harris stated that the next scheduled Board meeting is July 21; however, the Board will need to meet before then on the Budget. The Chair announced that the Board would need to go into executive session to evaluate President Marshall and will adjourn from there. She asked if there were any questions or comments. None were presented, so Chair Harris asked the Board to go to the Board Room for the executive session.

5-26-11  
Date Approved By  
Board of Directors

  
Charlene Harris, Chair  
SCC Board of Directors

  
Pam Turner, Secretary  
SCC Board of Directors

  
Jo Marshall, Ph.D.  
SCC President & CEO