

ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MAY 12, 1992
MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of Isothermal Community College met on Tuesday, May 12, 1992, in the Management Seminar Room of the Business Education Building. The following trustees were present: Thomas Roberts, Chairman; Opal Sauve, Jervis Arledge, Walter Dalton, Burtchus Lathan, Vivian Watson, Howard Olson, C. W. McCall, Lathelma Becknell, Frances Spratt, Ivy Cowan, and Al King. The following staff members were present: Willard Lewis, Bob Harrison, Dillard Morrow, Karen Noel, Catherine Jolley, and Frankie McWhorter. Amy Revis of The Daily Courier and Scott Carpenter of The Rutherford County News were also present. Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jervis Arledge, seconded by Ivy Cowan, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 1992. The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution of Appreciation and Respect

President Lewis presented a Resolution of Appreciation and Respect for the life and work of Reverend M. B. Robinson. The Board unanimously approved this resolution and directed that it be included in the permanent minutes as a testimonial of the high regard in which Reverend M. B. Robinson was held by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Affairs

Upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee, a motion was made by Jervis Arledge, seconded by Ivy Cowan, to accept the following slate of officers for 1992-93:

Chairman	Thomas Roberts
First Vice Chairman	Al King
Second Vice Chairman	Bill Page
Secretary	Frances Spratt

This motion was unanimously approved.

The Executive Summary of the Diversity Plan was given to trustees for their review. A discussion of that plan will take place at a future meeting of the Board of Trustees. (Attachment 1)

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Business Affairs

A motion was made by Frances Spratt, seconded by Vivian Watson, to approve the budget revisions as presented by Controller Jolley. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by C. W. McCall, seconded by Burtchus Lathan, to approve the write-off of delinquent NDSL Loans in the amount of \$386.09. The motion was unanimously approved.

President Lewis announced that gifts, grants, and donations totaling \$27,215.93 have been received from February 1, 1992 to April 31, 1992. A motion was made by Ivy Cowan, seconded by Burtchus Lathan, to accept these gifts and donations. This motion was unanimously approved. (Attachment 2)

Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, a motion was made by Jervis Arledge, seconded by Vivian Watson, to approve the 1992-93 Rutherford County total budget request of \$1,218,582, and the Polk County total budget request of \$77,467. The motion was unanimously approved. (Attachment 3)

President Lewis announced that the college's recent financial audit disclosed one written exception in regards to a financial aid situation, and proper steps have been taken to correct this exception. President Lewis also announced that the Rutherford and Polk County Foundation's recent audits did not disclose any audit exceptions or recommendations.

President Lewis reviewed a situation that emerged regarding the college's financial aid audit for 1988-89. Significant problems were identified which will require restitution of financial aid monies to the federal government. This amount, once \$104,000, has been reduced significantly, and the college anticipates that the final figure will be in the neighborhood of \$40,000 - \$50,000. Steps have been taken to ensure that the oversight which led to this situation will not reoccur.

Dr. Lewis announced that the Department of Community Colleges is requesting that the Legislature put on the ballot this fall a referendum in the amount of \$243 million specifically for the Community College System. At the initiation of this effort, the money was intended to be used for one of three purposes: capital construction, equipment, and library books. The latter two have

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since been stricken from consideration because the life of the equipment or books does not meet the life of the bonds. The bonds are for 30 years and the equipment will be obsolete before that time and the books will be out of date by that time. Therefore, the only item that will be on the bond issue is capital construction. President Lewis further announced that the college submitted, as our first priority, a proposal for a Continuing Education/Community Cultural Center for \$2.5 million. Our second priority was for funds, in the amount of \$750,000, to renovate existing facilities once the move to the Continuing Education/Community Cultural Center has been made. President Lewis stated that funding from the State must be matched locally.

President Lewis announced that budget figures for 1992-93 are not encouraging. The Department of Community Colleges has estimated that it will take approximately \$22 million of new money to fund enrollment growth for the system, and new revenue projections are not adequate to meet these needs. It is anticipated, therefore, that a tuition increase will be forthcoming. In addition, projected raises for faculty and staff are minimal.

Academic Affairs

A motion was made by Howard Olson, seconded by Frances Spratt, to approve a new curriculum--Microcomputer Systems Technology. The motion was unanimously approved. Dr. Harrison reported that the request will now go to the State Board of Community Colleges for approval.

Personnel

A motion was made by Ivy Cowan, seconded by Lathelma Becknell to approve contracts for the following personnel:

- a. Priscilla Sheppard, ADN Nursing Instructor, Foothills Nursing Consortium, May 4, 1992 - June 30, 1992.
- b. Deborah Morgan, ADN Nursing Instructor, Foothills Consortium, May 18, 1992 - June 30, 1992.

This motion was unanimously approved.

President Lewis informed the Board of the following resignations:

- a. James Graham, Instructor in the Business Division, July 1, 1992;
- b. Pam King-Hester, ADN Nursing Instructor, Foothills Consortium, February 22, 1992;

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- c. Saundra Coomes, Associate Development Director, WNCW Radio, May 8, 1992;
- d. Brenda Lindsey, Math Instructor, Student Support Services, May 31, 1992;

A motion was made by Ivy Cowan, seconded by Walter Dalton, to approve Educational Leave, with pay, for the following personnel:

- a. Rhonda Davis, Business Instructor, June - August, 1992;
- b. Myra Johnson, Business Instructor, June - August, 1992;
- c. Paula Walker, Business Instructor, June - August, 1992;
- d. Ed Barrier, College Transfer Instructor, June 12 - August 21, 1992;
- e. Vivian Sitton, College Transfer Instructor, July 5 - August 15, 1992;
- f. Ronnie Conner, Director of Small Business Center, May 24 - August 6, 1992;
- g. Tommy Tucker, College Transfer Instructor, June - August, 1992.

This motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Jervis Arledge, seconded by Vivian Watson, to approve the political activity of Bill McDaniel, who is seeking a seat on the Rutherford County Board of Education. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Opal Sauve, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that the recent presidential evaluations were very positive. Copies of the president's evaluation were distributed to each trustee. Mrs. Sauve reported that a copy of President Lewis' evaluation will be mailed to the State President at the Department of Community Colleges.

President Lewis informed the Board of the non-renewal of contract for Barbara Moffitt, Librarian/Counselor Polk County Campus, June 30, 1992, and the retirement of Irene Tucker, Bookkeeper, June 1, 1992.

Other Business

Mrs. Frances Spratt gave a brief report on the North Carolina Association of Community College Trustees' meeting which was held in Greensboro, NC on May 7-8, 1992. Issues raised pertained to the Diversity Plan and the appointment procedures for trustees.

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President Lewis made the following announcements:

- a. Seventh Spratt Literary Lecture - Lee Smith, Lecturer
May 15, 1992, Library Auditorium, 7:30 pm;
- b. Awards Day, May 19, 1992, Library Auditorium, 12 noon;
- c. "Gershwin & More," College Singers Concert, May 23,
1992, 2:30 pm, Library Auditorium;
- d. Commencement, June 3, 1992, 7:30 pm - Dr. Phail Wynn,
President of Durham Technical Community College, Speaker;
- e. Adult High School Commencement, June 4, 1992, 7:30 pm,
Rev. Rob Roy Staley, Speaker.

The President distributed the ICC Sentinel and the Calendar of Events.

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Thomas A. Roberts
CHAIRMAN

Francis H. Spratt
SECRETARY

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION AND RESPECT

WHEREAS, The Reverend M. B. Robinson served on the Board of Trustees of Isothermal Community College from 1983 until his death on May 24, 1991, and

WHEREAS, M. B. carried out his duties with the same zeal, dedication, and faithfulness he had brought to the field of education throughout his adult life, and

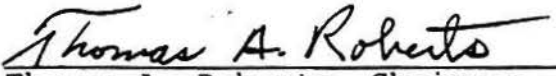
WHEREAS, M. B. undergirded his interest in education with active participation in human relations, government; and, above all, deeply spiritual values we would do well to emulate, and

WHEREAS, there is no greater measure of M. B.'s influence on the lives of others than the accomplishments of his children. Each has made the effort to attain the education necessary to become successful in his or her endeavor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

1. That this resolution express the appreciation of this Board for the life and work of the Reverend M. B. Robinson.
2. That this resolution be included in the permanent minutes as a testimonial of the high regard in which Reverend M. B. Robinson was held by the Board of Trustees of Isothermal Community College.
3. That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Reverend M. B. Robinson.


Willard L. Lewis, President
Isothermal Community College


Thomas A. Roberts, Chairman
Isothermal Community College
Board of Trustees