

ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
JOINT MEETING BETWEEN THE
ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AND
THE RUTHERFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAY 18, 2009

A joint meeting between the Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees and the Rutherford County Commissioners was held on Monday, May 18, 2009, in Seminar "A" of The Foundation on the ICC campus. The following trustees were present: James Hutchins, Grady Franklin, "Buck" Petty, Pat Morgan, Shay Hahn, Jacqueline Godlock, David Herndon and David Eaker. The following county commissioners were present: Brent Washburn, Chairman; Paul McIntosh, Margaret Helton, Susan Crowe and Eddie Holland. Others present from the college were: Myra Johnson, Stephen Matheny, Kim Gold, Thad Harrill, Mike Gavin and Glenda Scruggs. Others present from the county were: John Condrey, Hazel Haynes, Judy Toney, Paula Roach and Julie Scherer. Allison Flynn and Jessica Osborn (Intern) from **The Daily Courier** was also present. James Hutchins, First Vice Chairman, welcomed the Rutherford County Commissioners and called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Snuffy Jenkins Festival

President Johnson announced that she has been approached by Matthew McEnerney, with the Rutherford County Arts Council, concerning the revival of the Snuffy Jenkins Bluegrass Festival. President Johnson stated that this is a wonderful opportunity to positively impact the county and region by participating as a partner in the sponsorship of this event. The facilities, central location and other resources, such as WNCW, give the event a springboard for success.

Budget

Stephen Matheny, Vice President of Administration, reviewed the 2009 – 2010 Rutherford County budget request with the County Commissioners. Mr. Matheny reported that the 2009 – 2010 budget request represented an overall reduction of \$7,400 from the 2008 - 2009 budget request. Mr. Matheny stated that the college does not intend to offer statements of appointment to two security guards beyond the end of their appointments which expire on June 30, 2009. This reduction in force is a result of reorganization – the college will be contracting with Rutherford County to provide an armed officer on campus during the day and evening hours Monday through Friday. Mr. Matheny further stated that overall the college is doing what it can to hold expenses down. Although capital needs may arise, the college is trying to be as conservative as possible.

At the conclusion of the budget presentation, President Johnson thanked the County Commissioners for their continued support of the college over the years and stated that

we are all facing tremendous challenges when it comes to budget issues. The college is facing state budget cuts, salary reductions and furloughs and we certainly understand the position the county is in in facing the challenges brought on by the economic conditions of the budget. Dr. Johnson stated that the college tried to keep all of this in focus as we worked on the budget.

Brent Washburn commended the college for taking into consideration the present economic conditions and thanked the Board of Trustees and the college for a willingness to reduce costs in response to budget constraints.

Vice Chairman Hutchins thanked the commissioners for having this joint meeting with the Board of Trustees and stated that the college has always enjoyed a good working relationship with the commissioners and hoped that the good relationship continues.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.



CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY