

**BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WORKSHOP MEETING**

December 20, 1999
3:00 P.M.

Rm. #168, Performing Arts Center
Melbourne Campus

PRESENT: Eugene C. Johnson, Chairman; Betts O. Silvernail, Vice Chairman; James W. Handley; Miriam E. Martinez; Dr. Alexandra M. Penn Williams; Joe D. Matheny, Attorney; Thomas E. Gamble, Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Johnson, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

**2. REVIEW OF COLLEGE DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & PROGRAMS -
Dr. Gamble:**

Dr. Gamble reported the purpose of the workshop was to review all of the various programs of BCC. Each of the full-service campuses have the basic transfer AA/AS degree components and student development including financial aid assistance. Earlier this year, a matrix organization whereby was developed the Campus Presidents were assigned, in addition to their campus responsibilities, collegewide responsibilities to assure coordination and cooperation across the college as a whole.

a. Cocoa Campus - Dr. Smith (Addendum)

Dr. Joe Lee Smith, Cocoa Campus President, reported on the matrix area programs which are his responsibility and include the Allied Health Division, Planetarium, Learning Resources, Minority Programs, Moore Center for Multi-cultural Act 9(9(n)1.1(e)4 9(n)s c)4.7(e tI)23(c)4.9n Moo.OEW1sASa Cal Ace(a)4.7(1 Ac)8()Tjn

The Learning Resource Centers provide access to information through a variety of initiatives. Physical access to the library is supported through a convenient and extensive operating schedule. Most libraries are open approximately 66 hours per week with the exception of the Cocoa library which is open more than 71 hours per week. Virtual access is provided through electronic databases available through the world wide web. Students can access bibliographic as well as many full text sources from home or Internet computers located in all four libraries. Access is also provided to the physically impaired through assistive technology workstations.

Each Brevard Community College campus has an Office of Minority Students designed to promote recruitment and retention of minority students. The Minority Student Recruitment, Retention and Tracking program has served as a community outreach through monthly recruitment visits and presentations to area schools, recreation centers, churches, community organizations, businesses and other sources.

The Moore Center for Multicultural Activities, with Dr. Yvette Boodhoo serving as Director, continues to build partnerships with ethnic, cultural and religious groups in the community. The program provides diversity resources to faculty, students and the community. In addition, plans are being made in the community to pursue joint programs.

Brevard Community College under the direction of Francine Arrington, Director of International Student Services, has 191 international students enrolled in academic programs for the Fall Semester and 36 students in the Intensive English Program. The students represent 59 countries. Brevard Community College has been selected as the site for the "Customer Relations Training Institute" by the Prospects-Wider Horizons Program, funded by the International Fund for Ireland which will bring 20 young people from Ireland and Northern Ireland beginning January 17, 2000. BCC is a member of a federally funded consortium to promote international standards in computer

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- b. Melbourne Campus - Dr. Kaliszeski (Addendum)

The Criminal Justice Program on the Melbourne Campus houses six classrooms, two labs, a defense tactics room and police testing center. The driving pad located at the Palm Bay Campus, shooting range and live shoot house in Cocoa are utilized not only by the Criminal Justice Program, but by other entities for a charge. Offered through the program are AS degrees in Criminal Justice Technology, Criminal Justice Officer Administration and Crime Scene Technology. Certificate programs are offered in law enforcement, corrections,

Brevard Job Link, also known as One-Stop Centers, is a partnership between Brevard Community College, Division of Workforce and Employment Opportunities, School Board of Brevard County and Vocational Rehabilitation to deliver workforce services. One-Stop Centers are located in all areas of Brevard County, including one at the BCC Cocoa Campus in the Clark Maxwell Lifelong Learning Center. When an individual is unemployed and comes to one of the One-Stop Centers they are diagnosed, set up for training if needed and provided with job search skills. Target clients are job seekers, BCC students and employers. The Brevard Employer Services Team is the new concept working with employers on determining workforce needs. Dr. Gamble reported the Job Link programs are considered a national model and are federally funded. BCC's program has been nominated for the Exemplary Practice Award by the American Association of Community Colleges.

Brevard School-to-Work Partnership is a collaborative effort between education and business which addresses the need to provide Brevard's students with the academic, technical and workplace skills essential for life long learning and career success. The partnership comprises BCC, the School Board of Brevard County, the Brevard Workforce Development Board, the Economic Development of Florida's Space Coast and the area Chambers of Commerce. Tech Prep is an articulated effort between BCC and the School Board of Brevard County. Tech Prep has been the springboard of the Brevard School-to-Work initiative. It is designed to provide high school students with hands-on, relevant education and equips students with the academic and technical foundation that leads to a BCC Associate Degree or certificate and onto a technical career. More than 15,000 elementary through high school students participated in a career fair this year and more than 1,000 high school students participated in a real-work experience as a compliment to their academic course work. The Brevard School-to-Work Partnership submitted a five-year implementation plan in November 1996 to the

The Honors Program is new to BCC and has developed through an honor program articulation with the University of Central Florida. The Honors Program allows students to participate in an academic experience that provides challenges beyond the rigors of traditional classes. Honors students will have the opportunity to enjoy an environment of scholarly inquiry, creative interaction and intellectual stimulation through special sections of general education and elective courses. Ms. Bilsky reviewed the criteria for the Honors Program.

College Preparatory Instruction is part of the community college mission in the State of Florida and every year at BCC there are many students entering the college who after taking the CPT, SAT, or ACT tests find they are not ready for college level courses. Two levels of prep writing and reading are offered, as well as prep math and algebra. Students progress through the courses and this term for the first time a state mandated Prep Exit Test was administered. The scores will be reviewed to determine cut scores.

Dr. Gamble reported the college will continue to bring to the Board of Trustees more detailed presentations as meetings are held on the various campuses. He commended the Campus Presidents and Ms. Bilsky for their ability to provide the Board information in the expedient and informative manner. He encouraged the Board to forward questions to him regarding any of the subjects which were discussed.

3. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Chairman, District Board of Trustees

ATTESTED: _____
Secretary, District Board of Trustees

