



3. **APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

- a. Minutes – Board of Trustees Workshop – December 15, 2003

**6. CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT:**

- a. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Collegewide HVAC Project – Mr. Little

Approved – consent agenda.

- b. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Bldg. #17 Renovations, Cocoa Campus – Mr. Little

Approved – consent agenda.

- c. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Bldg. #20 Renovations, Cocoa Campus – Mr. Little

Removed from the agenda.

- d. Approval of Change Order – WBCC-TV – Mr. Joe Williams

Mr. Joe Williams, WBCC-DTV General Manager, reported on February 10, 1999, the Board of Trustees approved Harris Corporation as the system integrator to deliver a turnkey operation as a solution to the college's digital transition with a \$1,822,422 budget. Five years later, WBCC is completing the conversion, along with other separately funded major projects. During the five years as Harris performed their work as the system integrator, their design was modified, updated, and refined to accommodate the changes in the world of digital broadcast equipment. Some of the items were discontinued that were priced as part of the original plan, others were replaced by newer versions with different and improved functionality and some equipment was substituted to take advantage of the newer innovations to increase capabilities.

As a result of the changes throughout the project, the Harris systems integrator project total is \$2,433,700, an increase of the original estimated \$1,822,422. Therefore, the Board is being requested to approve a change order for the increase to the original agreement with Harris Corporation. The college is near completion of the entire project. After the charge order, there will be a balance of more than \$110,000, which will be utilized to purchase additional equipment that will further increase the capabilities of WBCC. Mr. Little confirmed that the funds utilized for the digital conversion of the television station were earmarked specifically for that purpose and could not be utilized for other areas of the college.

Mr. Williams answered questions presented by the Board members. Mr. McCotter expressed concern in that the Board was not apprised of the transaction

in advance of expenditures. Mr. Little indicated that steps have been taken to avoid this problem in the future.

Mr. McCotter moved approval of change order – WBCC-TV. Dr. Penn Williams seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion –McCotter, Penn Williams, and Handley; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved. (Mrs. Martinez and Mrs. Wilson - absent.)

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Report on Pending Legal Actions – Mr. Matheny

None.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Approval of 2004-2005 Academic Calendar – Dr. Astrab/Ms. Demetriades

Approved – consent agenda.

- b. Approval of Resolution Renewing Commitment to Access and Equity – Dr. Gamble

Dr. Gamble stated that he received communications from both the American Council on Education and Trustees Association of Community Colleges suggesting that a Resolution be presented to the Board reinforcing the commitment to access and equity in education on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the legal decision in Brown vs. Board of Education. Dr. Gamble recommended endorsement of the Resolution renewing commitment to access and equity in education. (See Appendix)

Mr. McCotter moved approval of Resolution Renewing Commitment to Access and Equity. Dr. Penn Williams seconded the motion. All those voting in favor of the motion –McCotter, Penn Williams, and Handley; opposed – none. Motion unanimously approved. (Mrs. Martinez and Mrs. Wilson -absent.)

- c. Approval of Out-of-Country Travel for Mr. Jeff Johnson – Dr. Kaliszeski

Approved – consent agenda.

d. Request for Board Meeting Agenda Items

None.

**9. FINANCIAL ACTIONS:**

a. Approval of Monthly Budget Status Report, December 2003 – Mr. Cherry

Approved – consent agenda.

b. Approval of Budget Amendment – Unrestricted General Fund – Mr. Little

Approved – consent agenda.

**10. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT:**

a. Governor’s Budget Proposal

Dr. Gamble reported Governor Bush recently announced his recommendation to add \$104 million to the upcoming budget proposal for Florida Community Colleges (\$3.5 million to BCC). In addition, he is supporting additional budgetary changes which will be advantageous to community colleges such as: providing matching funds in areas not previously provided; adding earmarked funding from the Department of Education for Baccalaureate Degree programs; improving PECO funding; and, refunding previous community college expenditures for retirement funds, etc.

The House currently appears to support the community college budget proposals, but as efforts will be made by other entities to redirect the funds, Dr. Gamble stated that the Trustee’s presence at the February 18, 2004, House Appropriations meeting in Tallahassee is greatly appreciated. If this budget is approved, the Governor stated it will be the most favorable budget for community colleges in fourteen years. Dr. Gamble provided copies of his media response regarding the probable uses of the funding, to include: upgrading student services, upgrading technology resources, confronting deferred maintenance costs, and expanding/improving Allied Health programs. He further reported that the Council of Presidents will emphasize three key areas, namely: (1) the enrollment boom, which has not been funded; (2) the commitment to maintain an “open door” and not turn students away; and, (3) the economic impact of serving the community college population.

b. Official SACS Notification

Dr. Gamble reported that he has now received the official notification of reaccreditation, with a notice that there would be no follow up required for eleven years (2014).

c. Recent Aerospace Developments

Dr. Gamble provided a handout itemizing recent aerospace developments, as follows:

- (1) The relationship between BCC and Embry Riddle has progressed and there are now several Memorandums of Understanding partnering with BCC aerospace programs. This is a very important development as Embry Riddle is a well known, national aerospace university.
- (2) Although the AMF facility will continue to be BCC's primary aerospace training facility, the Florida Space Authority agreed to provide a five-year, no-cost (except utilities) lease at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station to

g. Dr. Flom's Retirement Reception

Dr. Gamble reminded the Board that Dr. Flom's retirement reception has been Scheduled for February 25, 2004, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The reception will be held on the Cocoa Campus at the Virtual Campus Conference Center.

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

a. Alumni Association

None.

b. BCC Foundation

Mr. Handley reported that the search for Dr. Flom's replacement continues. The announcement has now closed, and the committee is currently reviewing the candidate's applications. It is expected that a suitable replacement will be found from the candidates who responded.

c. Cocoa Village Playhouse

Mr. McCotter reported that he attended the monthly Cocoa Village Playhouse Board meeting, but was unable to attend the Capital Campaign meeting the following week. The next meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2004, to develop strategies and prospects for this effort.

d. Planetarium

Mr. Handley stated there is no news regarding the Planetarium other than the installation of new carpet, which looks great.

e. YMCA

In addition, she reported it is National Mentoring month and encouraged participation in mentoring programs.

Dr. Penn Williams reported that in addition to the Governor's announcement regarding community college budget proposals, there is also a major push for