

**BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
WORKSHOP**

October 23, 2006  
3:10 p.m.

Occupational Auditorium (Bldg. #1)  
Titusville Campus

**PRESENT:** Mr. James W. Handley, Chairman; Mr. C. R. "Rick" McCotter III, Vice Chairman; Mr. James Theriac; Mrs. Kimberly Tsamoutales; Mrs. Alberta Wilson; Dr. James A. Drake, Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. James Handley, Chairman, called the Workshop meeting to order.

**2. AEROSPACE PROGRAM UPDATE:**

Dr. Al Koller, Executive Director, Aerospace Programs reported on the status of current aerospace programs and future plans. He reported there are two separate programs. The BCC Aerospace Program, which was started in 1999, consists of a 70 credit hour two-year AS and AAS degree program. This program has graduated approximately 70 students and has an 85% industry placement rate following graduation.

The national program, SpaceTEC, is funded through 2009 by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and other grants, and will be eligible for continued funding through the National Resource Center. This program has become nationally recognized and well respected by the Air Force, NASA and the FAA. SpaceTEC consists of 11 partner colleges in eight states, including Embry Riddle Aeronautical University.

Dr. Drake reported on the expected changes in the aerospace field and the challenges and possible benefits related to these changes. Dr. Koller further reported that he would recommend a strategic planning committee to focus on the changes and how the college can assist and benefit during the transition. Dr. Astrab reported a BCC faculty member is currently working with the state regarding plans for the Applied Technology AS Degree, and a strategic planning session is planned in January regarding various technology initiative opportunities.

Mr. Handley reported positively on the program and requested scheduling future discussion to implement initiatives.

**3. BOARD DISCUSSION:**

a. Retirement of Legal Counsel

Mr. Handley reported Mr. Joe Matheny, College attorney for the past 38 years, submitted his letter of resignation, effective immediately. Discussions ensued regarding options for future legal counsel. It was the consensus of the Board to authorize Dr. Drake to contact Mr. Matheny regarding his availability to serve as a

consultant on pending legal issues while the Board explores other options for legal counsel. A discussion ensued regarding possible interim counsel should Mr. Matheny be unavailable.

Dr. Drake and Mr. Theriac will review the Request for Proposal (RFP) that the College used in 2000 for legal counsel, and will also explore the option of employing a full-time, in-house attorney to serve as general counsel.

Dr. Drake stated he and Mr. Theriac will