

**BSAA Meeting
January 27, 2011
Minutes of Conference Call Meeting**

BSAA Members Via Conference Call: L. Winkler, E. Janney, T. Keating, J. Long, M. Nicastro, K. Richards, N. Whitehead, J. Whitcomb

Staff Present Via Conference Call: E. Klonoski, S. Adams, G. Claffey, K. Corcoran, D. Goldsmith, C. Williams

1. Call to Order

L. Winkler called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and explained that due to the major snowstorm, it was agreed that the members would address only a few of the issues on the agenda. The other items will be taken up on February 23, 2011, which is the rescheduled January meeting. L. Winkler appointed E. Janney as the Temporary Board Secretary in John Padilla's stead.

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of November 18, 2010

On a motion made by E. Janney and seconded by J. Whitcomb, the Board **APPROVED** the Minutes of the November 18, 2010 meeting.

K. Richards abstained as she was unable to attend that meeting.

3. Approval of Executive Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2010

On a motion made by E. Janney and seconded by J. Whitcomb, the Board approved the November 18, 2010 Minutes of the Executive Meeting.

K. Richards abstained as she was unable to attend that meeting.

4. Action Items

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A. Conferral of Degrees

L. Winkler announced that the list of graduates was sent to the Board members on Wednesday.

On a motion made by K. Richards and seconded by J. Whitcomb, the Board **APPROVED** Resolution 11-1, Conferral of Degrees.

B. Recommendation of Honorary Doctorate Candidate

L. Winkler reported that the Honorary Degree committee is comprised of the following members: John Whitcomb, Eric Janney, Patricia Farquharson (faculty rep), Lindsay Pagani (Student Association Rep), and Ed Klonoski.

E. Janney reported that although the Committee had some outstanding candidates, it was Mr. David Matthews, a Charter Oak State College graduate, who really stood out. Mr. Matthews was not only an outstanding Charter Oak student, but has done exceptional work during his tenure working with the military; most recently during his tour in Iraq and Afghanistan where he was honored for his accomplishments by General Petraeus. Mr. Matthews just completed a two year tour with the Department of State as the Senior Economic Advisor/ Team Lead for the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Iraq. He was chosen to be a visiting scholar at the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University. Mr. Matthews has indicated that he will be back in the states in June and would be honored to receive the Doctoral degree.

J. Whitcomb seconded the recommendation of David Matthews as the Honorary Doctoral Candidate.

On a motion made by E. Janney and seconded by J. Long, the Board **APPROVED** Resolution 11-3, Recommendation of David Matthews as Honorary Doctorate Candidate.

CTDLC

C. Revised eTutoring Fees

L. Winkler requested that D. Goldsmith provide an overview about the eTutoring Fee revisions.

D. Goldsmith reported that in May 2007, the BSAA approved a set of fees for participation in the CTDLC's eTutoring Consortium. Since then, eTutoring has grown and recently the CTDLC sold their platform to a multi-campus institution. The CTDLC is recommending a two level pricing model for existing partners and another increase for new participants. Staff has determined that these levels of fees accommodate the institutions that have been involved in eTutoring for a number of years and addresses the economic downturn that many public and private institutions are experiencing. Additionally, the CTDLC has seen competitors and therefore need to be cognizant of those prices in order to stay competitive.

D. Goldsmith reported that the first price increase will be for the Northeast Consortium where there will be a two tiered pricing model: a smaller increase for existing customers and a larger increase for new institutions to \$1000. Seventy percent of the schools are in the smallest user band. The last time that there were new fee increases was in 2007.

D. Goldsmith went on to explain the other pricing models for institutions that use the CTDLC's eTutoring platform but are managed by the institution or consortium. These include pricing for single institution, pricing for a multi-campus institution, and pricing for a multi-institutional consortium.

On a motion made by K. Richards and seconded by J. Whitcomb, the Board **APPROVED** Resolution 11-5, Revised eTutoring Fees.

At this point in the meeting, J. Whitcomb, announced that he was pleased with the NBC local TV coverage about the CTDLC.

D. Management Professional Development / Tuition Reimbursement Change

C. Williams explained that this proposal would bring the professional development tuition reimbursement for Management Professionals in line with the employee's collective bargaining agreement. No adjustments have been made for the Management/Professional staff since 2005. Since that time, increases have been given to the collective bargaining employees. At this point the gap is about \$150. Additionally, staff is recommending that this be retroactive to July 1, 2010. C. Williams further explained that this Resolution would also keep in line any increases given to collective bargaining employees with the Management /Professional staff.

J. Long asked about the budgetary impact for now and in the future.

C. Williams responded that the impact would be minimal.

On a motion made by J. Long and seconded by J. Whitcomb, the Board **APPROVED** Resolution 11-7, Management Professional Development / Tuition Reimbursement Change.

E. Adjournment

L. Winkler announced that the remaining documents on the agenda will be taken up at the meeting on February 23, 2011. Additionally, L. Winkler suggested that anyone who might be at the Capitol over the next few months, please contact M. Woodman as she could use some help.

Having no further business, the Board **ADJOURNED** at 12:30 p.m.

Secretary
January 27, 2011