

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES**

SGA Board Room, Sandhills Community College

March 2, 2016, 9 am

PRESENT: Trustees George Little, Chairman; Robert Hayter, Vice Chairman; Joseph Clendenin, Secretary; Larry Caddell; Art Blue; subsequent to meeting voice polls with James Cunningham, Eugene Horne, and Gary Evans

STAFF: Dr. Dempsey; Brenda Jackson; Heather Lyons; Doug Smith; Ken Dowdy; and Kirk Lynch

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 9:06 am. He read the statute regarding conflicts of interest to the Trustees and asked the board if there were any potential conflicts with the agenda items to be discussed. Hearing none, he asked Dr. Dempsey to report on a land issue between Moore County Schools and Sandhills Community College.

Dr. Dempsey reported that construction on the site across the street from the college is highly unlikely due to the active woodpecker trees but that there is another option for Moore County Schools and the Advanced Career Academy. Dr. Dempsey described the location of the land available using the map (see attached). If this location turns out to be a viable option, the high school students could walk to the college's library and the cafeteria. He also mentioned that cars would not have to cut through the college's parking lots and instead the entrance could be accessed directly from Highway 22. Dr. Dempsey stressed that there are some real advantages to having the Advanced Career Academy in this location, mainly that students would not have to cross Airport Road to get to the college for classes, the library, or the cafeteria.

Dr. Dempsey stated that using this land will enable the college to maintain the baseball field for potential growth in the future.

Dr. Dempsey said that he was not asking for approval from the Board of Trustees but that he wanted to give Trustees the opportunity to see the site plan before Moore County Schools moved ahead with site analyses, architectural plans, etc.

Mr. Caddell said he thought this option was better for the long-term goals of the college, and discussion ensued on land available in the future for the college's use.

Mr. Little explained that Moore County Schools needs to move quickly on this site in order to have a school built in its allotted time period. He explained that only after Moore County Schools finishes its investigation of the site will the Board of Trustees discuss approving the land transfer.

Mr. Hayter made a motion to allow Moore County Schools to explore and investigate the feasibility of using this land for its Advanced Career Academy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caddell, and the motion passed.

Discussion ensued about including an easement to the property for any water resources the college may need in the future.

Dr. Dempsey reported on a personnel issue, and discussion ensued with trustees. Mr. Little made a motion to approve the issue under discussion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caddell, and the motion passed.

Mr. Little asked if there were any other items of business for discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Clendenin to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. Hayter. The motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:46 am. Susequent to the end of the meeting, a voice poll was conducted with Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Horne, and Mr. Evans to advise them of the results of the special called board meeting, and they concurred with the discussion and motions.

Respectfully submitted,

George Little, Chairman of the Board

Heather Lyons, Assistant Secretary of the Board