

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MINUTES #88

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The Virginia Western Community College Board, in a special called meeting, convened in the Fishburn Hall Conference Room Tuesday, March 18, 1980, at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Warner Dalhouse, Chairman
Mr. Willis Anderson
Mrs. Caroline Etzler
Mr. William Russell
Mrs. Janine Stone
Mr. Richard Watson
Dr. Frank B. Wolfe

ABSENT: Mrs. Sylvia Faw
Dr. Warren Moorman
Mr. Maury Strauss
Mrs. Lillian Utecht

GUESTS: Virginia Western Community College Executive Council:
Mr. Dwight Blalock
Mr. James McCabe
Dr. Harry Nickens
Dr. Paul Pullen
Dr. Harry Race
Mr. Mark Fryburg, reporter, WDBJ-TV, Channel 7
Mr. Charles Hite, reporter, Roanoke Times & World-News
Mr. Bob Phillips, photographer, Roanoke Times & World-News

Mr. Dalhouse called this special meeting to order and expressed his appreciation to the members for their attendance. The Executive Council of the college was also invited to attend. The Chairman advised that the purpose of the meeting was to regretfully advise the Board that Dr. Hopper had arrived at the decision to resign as President of Virginia Western Community College effective September 15, 1980, and to leave the campus as soon as he could remove his personal effects.

Remarking that Dr. Hopper had been a good president, Mr. Dalhouse reluctantly recommended to the Board that Dr. Hopper's resignation be accepted effective September 15, 1980. Mr. Anderson made such a motion, with regret. Mrs. Etzler seconded the motion, and the Board accepted Dr. Hopper's resignation effective September 15, 1980.

Mr. Dalhouse and the Board wished Dr. Hopper well and said that he would be missed. Dr. Wolfe and Mr. Russell expressed their appreciation for his efforts and accomplishments over the years. Mr. Anderson added that he felt, at the appropriate time, the Board would want to frame a resolution expressing appreciation for Dr. Hopper's 12 years of service.

The Board's acceptance of Dr. Hopper's resignation will be forwarded to the State Board for Community Colleges for their consideration at their meeting on Thursday, March 20, in Richmond.

Mr. Dalhouse indicated to the Board that the senior officers of the college have each individually agreed to make a special effort for the college to be run in an orderly manner between the time of Dr. Hopper's departure and the arrival on campus of an acting President.

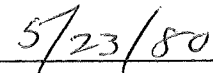
Mr. Dalhouse again thanked the Board members for their support and their time given during the last two months and was most appreciative of the fact that they had remained unified throughout.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

APPROVED:



R. Neil Reynolds, Interim President,
in the absence of Harold H.
Hopper
Executive Secretary



Date