

College Trustees Approve Interagency Building Funds

BY DOUG RUTTER

Brunswick Community College Trustees last Wednesday conditionally approved nearly \$640,000 for construction of an interagency program building at the main campus.

Trustees allocated the funds subject to approval by the state's Local Government Commission and bond counsel.

Following the recommendation of architect James Pittman, trustees accepted the low bid of Graka Builders for construction of the facility, which will primarily serve mentally handicapped students.

The conditional approval was required when bids came in higher than originally expected and trustees were forced to allocate about \$175,000 from the school's \$8 million bond money in addition to the original interagency building grant of \$462,500.

Building and Grounds Committee Chairman Lewis Stanley said that even by using the bond money, the college is still ahead of its original plan for allocating funds from the bond issue.

Trustees refused two bids which left out certain alternates including an additional entrance lane serving the campus. The lowest of these alternate bids could have saved approximately \$56,500.

In a letter to Interim College President William "Mike" Reaves, Pittman said, "I would suggest that all alternates be accepted and a contract awarded as soon as possible. The prices you now have do not reflect any excessive design or monumental type building. Should we redesign, it would mean eliminating approximately 2,000 square feet, which would greatly reduce the effectiveness of the interagency program as well as the building."

Compensatory Education Director Anita White said the interagency

Program housed at the old Supply campus now has about 40 students and that the new building would be able to accommodate more than 100.

Ms. White said, "There's no way we can take more students into the program with our present quarters."

She added that without all the alternates and extra 2,000 square feet of classroom space, the program would be no better off than where it is now.

Stanley said, "I think it's one of the greatest services a county can offer. I think it's money well spent."

Budget Amended

In other business last Wednesday, trustees passed four amendments and 13 resolutions to the 1987-88 fiscal year budget.

Amendments added \$57,775 for equipment and books, \$9,924 for literacy training, \$8,619 for non-curriculum instruction and \$2,270 for the Small Business Center.

Resolutions added approximately \$135,500 in state monies to areas including salaries, retirement and transportation. Resolutions also transferred slightly more than \$1 million from general institution costs to salaries, fringes and other costs.

Finance Committee Chairman Kelly Holden said the resolutions were "basically to bring our figures in line with the state's."

According to Vice President Louis "Vernon" Ward, this is the first year the state lumped all funds into the general institution area and left it to the college to transfer these funds to the areas in which they are needed.

Advertising Approved

Trustees also allocated \$10,000 to the presidential search committee for advertising costs.

The approval of funds followed a request from Presidential Search Committee Chairman Holden who said some applications have already been accepted.

He added that the committee has started setting criteria, including the requirement of a doctoral degree.

Holden said the applications being used are state forms and that the committee will be accepting nominations.

Audit Discussed

College trustees also discussed an equipment audit which had disclosed that nearly \$4,500 in school equipment was unaccounted for.

The audit, conducted by former business manager Leo Hunt before his Aug. 24 resignation, revealed that 75 percent of the missing equipment was from the secretarial science lab.

The audit also showed that a radial arm saw, recorders and calculators made up the bulk of the missing equipment.

Ward said, "I think most of this equipment is on one of our campuses. I don't believe it's all missing. I believe it's there, and it just ain't been looked for."

Stanley said, "I just can't see a student walking out with a radial arm saw under his arm."

Ward said he is currently trying to locate the equipment and would report to trustees next month if any had been located and who is responsible for the missing equipment.

Hunting Prohibited

Community College trustees also voted last Wednesday to prohibit hunting on the college grounds until further legal research can be done by attorney Glen Peterson.

The vote reversed a board decision in 1981 to allow some hunting on the college property and followed a report by Reaves during which he said he thought a state law existed prohibiting hunting on college campuses.

Reaves explained that he spoke with other college presidents and came to the conclusion that the

"campus" included any property owned by the college.

He said that due to the possibility that the college could be held liable if a hunting accident were to occur on college property, it would be wise to prohibit hunting until the legalities could be researched.

"I'm not sure from a safety point of view whether we would want to open ourselves up like that," said Reaves.

The board had discussed the possibility of waiting until Peterson's legal report to authorize the posting of "No Hunting" signs, but left the decision to Reaves.

Report Heard

Pittman also reported to trustees the condition of three planned buildings at the new campus.

He said the new classroom building "is moving right along" and should be completed by the first or second

week in December.

Pittman also said clearing work has started for the ALS Center which will eventually house the administration offices, library and student center.

He added that design work has started on the \$2.8 million auditorium which tentatively includes 1,287 seats and provisions for as many as 1,500.

Other Business

In other business last Wednesday, trustees:

- Re-elected David Kelly as board chairman and Stanley as vice chairman of the college trustees.

- Increased Reaves' salary by \$181 per month to an annual salary of \$47,184 which equals the state's minimum starting salary for presidents at schools the size of Brunswick Community College.

- Moved the time of their monthly

meetings from 7:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. because of the effects of daylight savings time.

• Heard from Industrial Relations/Continuing Education Coordinator Gerry Shaver that the Brunswick Community College Self-Study Document should be printed and to the board by early January.

Ms. Shaver said the document will be "an assessment of all areas of the college" showing both strengths and weaknesses.

• Discussed an upcoming board self-assessment recommended by Helen Dowdy, the N.C. Department of Community Colleges assistant to the president on board affairs.

The board proposed, but did not schedule, one or two special meetings in November or December during which this self-assessment could be completed.

Rain Brings Relief For Firefighters

BY RAHN ADAMS

According to Fire Marshal Cecil Logan, a steady, drenching rainfall was needed to relieve dry conditions which until this Tuesday made the risk of fire high in Brunswick County.

Lack of rainfall, falling leaves and windy conditions heightened the risk of woods and brush fire, he said Monday, adding, "We need a good eight hours of rain to relieve the dry conditions."

Some of that relief came late Monday and early Tuesday, in the form of a three-quarter inch rainfall that soaked the Shallotte area. Until then, the area had received no measurable rainfall during the month of October.

Logan added that the majority of woods and brush fires are caused by discarded cigarettes or trash fires

that are left unattended.

On Monday, five Brunswick County volunteer fire departments were called out to fight three woods and brush fires in the area.

At least 14 members of the Shallotte Point and Shallotte volunteer fire departments were dispatched to a small woods fire Monday afternoon on property adjacent the Craig Stanley residence off Brick Landing Road.

Stanley's father, Horace Stanley, said he called in the blaze Monday around 2 p.m. when it appeared the fire was moving toward his son's home several hundred feet away.

Flames were in the tops of trees before firemen arrived, he said.

Firefighters extinguished the small blaze shortly after arriving on the scene, but remained there for at

least an hour to rake and water down the scorched area to prevent the fire from rekindling.

No buildings were involved, and no injuries were reported.

According to Shallotte Point VFD Chief Mike Potts, Monday's blaze apparently started after someone burned brush there and failed to put out the fire completely.

Potts said his department was called to a similar fire at the same location on Friday.

Also Monday, firefighters from Long Beach and Yaupon Beach volunteer fire departments put out a small brush fire near the intersection of 23rd Street and Yacht Street in Long Beach, and Calabash VFD provided mutual aid to a brush fire near Little River, S.C., Logan said.

ASC Committee Nominations Sought

Local farmers have until Nov. 2 to nominate candidates for the county ASC community committee, according to Thomas F. McLamb, executive director of the Brunswick County ASCS Office in Bolivia.

The community committee election will be conducted from Nov. 27 to Dec. 7 by mail ballot, he said.

Eligible for election to the committee this year are those with farms located in the ASCS Town Creek Township, which includes all of the old Town Creek area, plus part of what was Lockwood Folly Township. More exact boundary information is available from the ASCS office.

ASC Committees are responsible

for managing federal farm programs on the local level. "To meet the needs of individual producers, ASC committee members must be concerned and responsible individuals," McLamb said.

Farmers have already received petition forms, he added, and are submitting them to the ASCS office.

McLamb said that for a petition to be valid, it must be limited to one nominee and must include written certification that the farmer is will-

ing to serve if elected. It must also be signed by at least three eligible farm voters in the ASC community and must be received by the ASCS office by the November 2 deadline.

A farmer can, however, circulate or sign nominating petitions for as many candidates as he chooses.

Details on the nominating procedure, including eligibility requirements for office holders, are available from the ASCS office, said McLamb.

HEALTHY RESPECT

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Habitual Arm And Shoulder Pain Can Be Neuritis

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It is a common occurrence in Chiropractic offices to have some new patient say, "doctor, my shoulders and arms have been paining me for seven or eight months."

"Our family physician has taken x-rays and says there is not arthritis or bursitis."

"He feels it is neuritis. I cannot put my arm behind my back. I have not had a night of natural sleep since it first started to pain me. I have had shots, I have had heat and light treatments. I have used different liniments. But nothing seems to make any headway against this constant suffering."

Why do so many neuritis sufferers delay seeking Chiropractic treatment? Is it because they cannot understand the relationship between the spinal column and the pain in the arm?

If so, we can only restate the fact

that nerves which extend into the shoulder and arm have their origin in the spinal cord and pass through openings between the bones of the spinal column.

Is this delay because they do not remember having injured the spinal column?

If so, it cannot be emphasized too much that spinal distortions do not always come from a single, traceable injury such as a fall, a lifting strain or collision.

Often the reason could be summed up in one word, "HABIT." For the person who does considerable driving each day it might be the habit of resting an arm on the car door. For the person who works in a factory it could be the position in which he works at his machine day after day.

The nerves in which neuritis most frequently occurs are so closely related to the spinal column and the probabilities for



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disturbances of the spinal column to occur are so great that the thought of neuritis should immediately bring thoughts of the spinal column.

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