

**Ozarka College Board of Trustees
Special Board Meeting
Minutes
November 22, 2011
4:00 p.m.**

Attendees in person: Chair Dennis Wiles, Paul Weaver

Attendees via conference call: Secretary Larry Sullivan, Ben Cooper

College Personnel in attendance: Dr. Richard Dawe, Tina Wheelis, Nancy Dust

Chair Dennis Wiles called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

Chair Wiles took roll to ensure a quorum was in attendance.

Action Items

A. Personnel

1. Approval to request and hire additional provisional positions for the Path to Accelerated Completion and Employment (PACE) Initiative
 - a. Health Information Technology faculty
 - b. Developmental Education faculty
 - c. Director of Distance Learning, Advisement, and Placement
 - d. PACE Project Coordinator and Grant Writer

Additional provisional positions are needed for the Path to Accelerated Completion and Employment (PACE) Initiative. These positions will be funded or partially funded by the PACE grant.

Chair Wiles asked Dr. Dawe to provide information about the PACE grant. Dr. Dawe advised that the PACE grant was over \$14 million dollars for the two-year colleges. Ozarka has developed a plan to implement the requirements of the plan.

These provisional positions are offering cost avoidance to the College for the duration of the grant as these positions were already deemed high-need for the College.

Dr. Dawe provided an overview of each position and the cost avoidance opportunity for the College by using the PACE grant to partially fund these positions while fulfilling the requirements of the grant.

Mr. Weaver asked questions about the finances and noted that this grant was a windfall for the College.

Paul Weaver made a motion to approve request and hiring of the provisional positions needed for the PACE initiative. Larry Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Roll call vote:

Secretary Larry Sullivan	Aye
Ben Cooper	Aye
Paul Weaver	Aye
Chair Dennis Wiles	Aye

Vice Chair Bob Evins joined the meeting via conference call.

Vice Chair Bob Evins made a motion to adjourn. Paul Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25.

Submitted by Nancy Dust.