

**The College of New Jersey
Board of Trustees**

**Thursday, April 16, 1998
106 Loser Hall**

Minutes of Public Board Meeting

Present: Mr. Robert Gladstone, Chair; Mr. Bruce Hasbrouck, Vice Chair; Mrs. Jeanne Naglak, Secretary; Mrs. Barbara Pelson; Mr. Tom Bracken; Dr. Carla Enriquez; Mr. Robert Kaye; Mr. Walter Chambers, Mr. Jeffrey Perlman; Ms. Patricia Rado; Mr. Jose Sosa; Ms. Kelly Gavin, Student Trustee; Mr. Michael DelBene, Alternate Student Trustee; Dr. Harold Eickhoff, President (ex-officio, without vote); Dr. Denis Murphy, Faculty Representative to the Board; Dr. Don Brown, Faculty Representative to the Board

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m.

I. Announcement of Compliance

Mr. Hasbrouck announced that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act concerning public notice of this meeting had been met.

II. Motion to go into closed session

It was moved by Mr. Hasbrouck, seconded by Dr. Enriquez, that the Board go into closed session to discuss personnel actions, items exempt under the Open Public Meetings Act.

III. Closed Session

IV. Resumption of Public Session

V. New Business

A. Report of the Executive Committee

1. Personnel Actions

It was moved by Mrs. Pelson, seconded by Mr. Sosa that the following resolution be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Change of Status - Staff (Attachment A)

2. Resolution Regarding the Change of Status of Dr. Harold W. Eickhoff
(Attachment B)

It was moved by Mr. Kaye, seconded by Mr. Chambers that the following resolution be approved. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

B. Report of the Finance and Construction Committee

It was moved by Mr. Kaye, seconded by Mr. Chambers that the following resolution be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Resolution - Approval to Enter Into an Agreement With Other State Colleges/Universities for the Sale of Property in Edison, New Jersey
(Attachment C)

VI. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Kaye that the following resolution be approved. The resolution passed unanimously.

BE IT

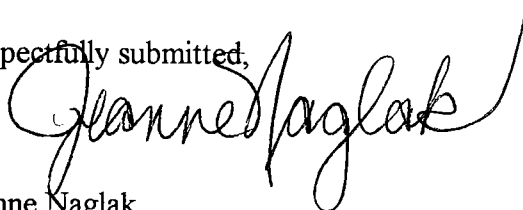
RESOLVED: The next public meeting of The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, June 25, 1998, at a time and location to be announced.

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED: That this meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanne Naglak
Secretary

**Remarks by Mr. Walter Chambers, Trustee
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The College of New Jersey**

Harold Eickhoff and the Transformation of The College of New Jersey

Harold W. Eickhoff has led The College in a transition that is nothing less than remarkable. During his tenure The College has become a national model for positive change in higher education. He has been a most devoted cheerleader and pacesetter, never perceiving The College as it was or as it is, but as what it could be.

The College of New Jersey, under his leadership, has become one of the very best public colleges in the United States. It is a source of pride for New Jersey, for public higher education, and for every one of us who is associated with this institution.

The magnitude of change can only be partially told by statistics, and some of these numbers are quite impressive. To quote a few:

1) From a commuter college to a residential college

In 1980 the total enrollment was 8584 students. Today it is 5894

In 1980 The College housed 2187 students. In September it will house 3631

2) From a good student body to a student body of high achieving students

In 1980 there were 4430 applications for admissions. Last year there were
6329

In 1980 the combined high school rank of entering freshmen was at the 74th percentile. The current first year class was at the 90th percentile.

In 1980 the average SAT score was 927. The average SAT score of the current first year class was 1232.

The other part of the story is found in the vitality of the students with high ability and high expectations. It is found in the classroom where excellent faculty take pride in their students and report with much deserved satisfaction that their graduating students are getting fellowships to the finest graduate and professional schools, and they are being named Marshall Scholars and Truman Scholars, The story is found in the performances of our outstanding musical groups which are getting world-wide acclaim, and in our athletic program which has won more national championships than any other NCAA Division III school in the nation.

The story can also be told by the transformation of the academic area .

It was President Eickhoff's goal to have every major program which can be accredited to receive accreditation. This goal should be achieved in June.

178 faculty members of the total of 324 faculty have been hired since 1980. Many of them have been the recipient of a faculty mentoring program which assists them in the transition to The College.

The list of quality indicators for The College of New Jersey that has occurred under President Eickhoff's presidency, can and should go on and on. We all take pride that this institution has been recognized by many national publications. His contributions to The College of New Jersey, to the State of New Jersey, and to Higher Education have been extraordinary. President Eickhoff deserves our appreciation and our recognition.

Thank you.

CHANGE OF STATUS - STAFF

Harold W. Eickhoff

From: President and Professor of Humanities
To: Distinguished Professor of Humanities
(12 Months)
Effective: January 1, 1999

April 16, 1998

**Resolution Regarding the Change of Status of
Dr. Harold W. Eickhoff**

Whereas: Dr. Harold W. Eickhoff is retiring from the Presidency of The College of New Jersey on January 1, 1999 and is taking a one year sabbatical leave, and;

Whereas: Dr. Eickhoff has a long and distinguished tenure in office and has made extraordinary contributions to The College of New Jersey as President, and;

Whereas: The Board of Trustees of The College of New Jersey has changed Dr. Eickhoff's status from President and Professor of Humanities to Distinguished Professor of Humanities as of January 1, 1999.

Therefore, Be It

Resolved: That the Board of Trustees approves the amount of \$155,000 for calendar year 1999 as compensation to Dr. Eickhoff for the period of the sabbatical leave, and authorizes reimbursement for reasonable moving expenses, and;

Be It

Further Resolved: That beginning January 1, 1999 and continuing through December 31, 2004, Dr. Eickhoff shall receive a monthly stipend of \$2,500 for administrative duties as assigned by the president of The College, and, in consideration that Dr. Eickhoff must reside in the State of New Jersey, within seven miles of The College, and that his residence must be suitable and available for college-related entertaining and for hosting college-related meetings, and;

Be It

Further Resolved: That The College will pay the annual cost of TIAA's long-term care option C policy for Dr. Eickhoff and his spouse, while Dr. Eickhoff is employed by The College, and;

Be It

Further Resolved: That Dr. Eickhoff be provided office, clerical, and budgetary support appropriate for the performance of his duties.

Resolution
Approval To Enter Into An Agreement
With Other State Colleges/Universities
For The Sale Of Property In Edison, New Jersey

WHEREAS: in 1981, the nine State Colleges/Universities agreed on the need to provide an adequate facility for the New Jersey Educational Computer Network (NJEEN) to support joint computing needs for the colleges/universities, and

WHEREAS: the State Colleges/Universities, through bonds financed by the Educational Facilities Authority (EFA), acquired property in the name of Glassboro State College now Rowan University (building and land) at 3900 Park Avenue, Edison, New Jersey for the New Jersey Educational Computer Network in that year, and

WHEREAS: the State Colleges/Universities agreed to defease the EFA bonds related to this property in 1987 and agreed that once the bonds were defeased, each college/university would receive a 1/9th share of the subject property, and

WHEREAS: the State College/University Financial Vice Presidents have now determined that the most financially prudent course is to sell the ECN property and have been soliciting offers for the property, and

WHEREAS: an offer of \$1,300,000 as the purchase price for this property has been made by Toranco Associates of Edison, New Jersey, and

WHEREAS: sale of the property requires the approval of each college/university Board of Trustees.

THEREFORE,
BE IT

RESOLVED: that The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees agrees to the sale of the property owned by the State Colleges/Universities located at 3900 Park Avenue, Edison, New Jersey to Toranco Associates, 3 Progress Street, Edison, New Jersey for the purchase price of \$1,300,000.

BE IT
FURTHER

RESOLVED: that this resolution supersedes any prior approval of sale of this property.

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