The New Mexico Junior College Board met on Tuesday, February 14, 2006, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Zia Room of Pannell Library. The following members were present: Mr. Larry Hanna, Chairman; Mrs. Patricia Worrell, Secretary; Mr. Phillip Jones; Mr. Guy Kesner; Mrs. Yvonne Williams; and Mr. Ron Black. Not present was Mr. John Hice, Jr.

Mr. Hanna called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors and guests present: Michelle Fox, Hobbs News Sun.

Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mr. Jones, the agenda was unanimously adopted, as presented.

The board minutes of January 12, 2006 should have read that Dr. McCleery presented the January financial reports - not Dan Hardin. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the board unanimously approved the minutes of January 12, 2006, as amended.

Under New Business, David Wheat and Teresa Arsiaga with Johnson & Miller presented the Audit Report. Upon a motion by Mrs. Worrell, seconded by Mr. Black, the board unanimously approved the audit as presented.

Dan Hardin presented the January financial reports and with a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the board unanimously approved the expenditures for January, 2006. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mrs. Worrell, the board unanimously approved the Fiscal Watch Reports.

John Gratton presented the course fees for agriculture courses to begin in the Fall, 2006. Upon a motion by Mrs. Worrell, seconded by Mr. Jones, the board unanimously approved the recommended fees.

Dr. Gratton presented the course fee for Creative Photography for the summer session. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the board unanimously approved the fee.

Dr. Gratton presented the Summer China Program for board consideration. The estimated total cost for the trip will be $1,256.99 per student. Upon a motion by Mrs. Worrell, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the board unanimously approved the program.
Dr. Gratton recommended Mr. Cory Hall for the Professor of Physical Education/Assistant Men’s Baseball Coach position at a nine salary of $37,042. Upon a motion by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jones, the board unanimously approved the employment of Mr. Hall, effective February 15, 2006.

Dr. Gratton recommended Dr. Marilyn Hayes for the Director of Training Programs position at an annual salary of $48,148. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Worrell, the board unanimously approved the employment of Dr. Hayes, effective March 1, 2006.

Regina Organ recommended Mr. Tyler Friend for the Director of Upward Bound Program position at an annual salary of $42,072. Upon a motion by Mrs. Worrell, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the board unanimously approved the employment of Mr. Friend, effective March 1, 2006.

Dr. McCleery recommended Ms Gina Rascon for a Custodian position. Ms. Rascon is related to Isabela Rascon, Custodian. Upon a motion by Mrs. Worrell, seconded by Mr. Kesner, the board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Mr. Jones moved the board go into closed session for the discussion of limited personnel matters under the provisions of section 10-15-1-H (2) of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978. Mrs. Worrell seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Jones – yes; Mrs. Worrell – yes; Mr. Black – yes; Mrs. Williams – yes; Mr. Kesner – yes; and Mr. Hanna - yes.

Mr. Kesner made a motion that Linda Neel’s contract be non renewed with no other on campus duties required. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Jones – yes; Mrs. Worrell – yes; Mr. Black – yes; Mrs. Williams – yes; Mr. Kesner – yes; and Mr. Hanna - yes.

Mr. Hanna called for comments from the public. Don Leach expressed his concerns with the non renewal issue. The next regular board meeting was scheduled for March 14, 2006, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mr. Jones, the board meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.