The New Mexico Junior College Board met on Thursday, March 19, 2009, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Zia Room of Pannell Library. The following members were present: Mr. Larry Hanna, Chairman; Ms. Patricia Chappelle, Secretary; Mr. Phillip Jones; Mrs. Mary Lou Vinson; Mr. Ron Black; and Mr. Guy Kesner. Not present was Mrs. Yvonne Williams.

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

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

Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of February 10, 2009.

**Under President’s Report,** Dr. McCleery presented pillars of education to Charley Smith and Dennis Johnston for their service to the Western Heritage Museum Complex. Coach Keith Blackwill and Jeff Becker introduced the women’s indoor track and field team who recently placed fourth at the National Junior College Athletic Association’s National Indoor Track Championship. Dr. Gratton and Mary Jane Ward introduced the automotive technology instructors who shared with the Board the official notification of NATEF certification.

**Under New Business,** Cindy Bryan with Accounting & Consulting Group presented the Audit Report. Upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the board unanimously approved the audit as presented.

Dan Hardin presented the February financial reports and with a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the expenditures for February, 2009.
Mr. Hardin presented a request to sell the AB Dick 9985 Printing Press. The printing press has not been used since the Graphic Arts program was discontinued. After Board approval, the college must get approval from the Higher Education Department and the State Auditor. Upon a motion by Ms. Chappelle, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the request and authorized the administration to reject any bid less than $12,000.

Upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously accepted a bid for $200 for the sale of the obsolete Nortel Meridian Phone System.

Carla Brown presented Bid #1023 – Purchase of Water Chiller for Central Plant. The administration recommended acceptance of the base bid from E.E.S.T., Inc (York) in the amount of $178,000. Upon a motion by Mrs. Vinson, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Ms. Brown presented Bid #1024 – Pulling Unit Restoration. The administration recommended acceptance of the bid from Pemco of New Mexico, Inc. for $210,000 exclusive of gross receipts tax. Upon a motion by Ms. Chappelle, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Josh Morgan presented Bid #1025 – Electrical Service Upgrade. The administration recommended acceptance of the Base Bid from Service Electric ($753,473) as well as the Additive Alternate One ($62,860) and Two ($91,486) for a total of $907,819. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Larry Sanderson presented a request to waive the tuition and general use fee for those students enrolled in transitional classes in Summer 2009. After some discussion and upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously approved the request.

Dr. McCleery recommended Guy Kesner as the New Mexico Junior College Board member to serve on the Western Heritage Museum Advisory Board. Upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.
John Gratton presented a sabbatical leave request from Ms. Sonya Richardson for the fall 2009 semester. Ms. Richardson will return for the spring 2010 semester and will provide periodic reports to the administration. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously approved the request.

Dr. Gratton recommended Ms. Patricia Stutzman for the Recruiter for Automotive Technology position at an annual salary of $36,460. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the board unanimously approved the employment of Ms. Stutzman effective April 1, 2009.

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

Upon re-convening in open meeting, Mr. Hanna stated that the matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

The budget work session is scheduled for April 9, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and the next regular board meeting was scheduled for April 16, 2009, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kesner, the board meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.