The New Mexico Junior College Board met on Thursday, October 15, 2009, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Multi Purpose Room of the Moran Building. The following members were present: Mr. Larry Hanna, Chairman; Ms. Patricia Chappelle, Secretary; Mr. Phillip Jones; Mrs. Mary Lou Vinson; Mr. Ron Black; Mrs. Yvonne Williams; and Mr. Guy Kesner.

Mr. Hanna called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors and guests present: Beth Hahn, News-Sun.

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

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of September 17, 2009.

*Under President’s Report,* Phillip Roybal gave an update on the NRC program at NMJC. Dr. McCleery reported that the Equine Instruction Center was #7 on HED’s Capital Outlay Requests. He shared letters of appreciation from the Legislative Education Study Committee, as well as the Mortgage Finance Authority.

*Under New Business,* Dan Hardin presented the September financial reports and with a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the expenditures for September, 2009.

Dr. McCleery presented the City of Hobbs request for the proposed Recreation/Aquatic Center. After some discussion and upon a motion by Ms. Chappelle, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously agreed to authorize Dr. McCleery to express their interest in the proposed project, as well as developing a joint powers agreement to bring back to the Board for consideration.
Dr. McCleery presented a recommendation for a one-time $1,200 non-recurring compensation increase to be awarded to each NMJC staff member on December 15, 2009. Upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

Josh Morgan presented Bid #1031 – Janitorial Supplies. The administration recommended acceptance of bids from various vendors for a total of $108,518.13. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Mr. Hardin presented a request for approval of SunEdison Government Solutions, LLC under the terms of RFP #105. If approved, Sun Edison will in turn have the ability to negotiate a response to a RFP that will be sent out by Xcel Energy. If SunEdison is awarded the bid, NMJC will be committing to provide fifteen acres of land on the campus for the construction of a solar project. The college will also be committing to a third party purchase power agreement to take the electricity generated from this solar project for the next twenty years at a designated price with an annual accelerator. NMJC will not be obligated for any of the cost associated with the construction, operation, or maintenance of the solar project. Upon a motion by Mr. Black, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously accepted the proposal from SunEdison.

Calvin Smith recommended Mr. Gary Foney, Mr. Joe Loving, and Mrs. Susan Crutchfield as new members of the Western Heritage Museum Advisory Board. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Dan Hardin recommended Ms. Regina Choate for the Coordinator of Purchasing position at an annual salary of $39,000. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the Board unanimously approved the employment of Ms. Choate, effective October 16, 2009.

Ms. Chappelle 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. Vinson seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Jones – yes; Mr. Black – yes; Ms. Chappelle – yes; Mr. Kesner - no; Mr. Hanna – yes; Mrs. Vinson – yes; and Mrs. Williams – 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 next regular board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2009, beginning at 4:00 pm.

Upon a motion by Ms. Chappelle, seconded by Mr. Jones, the board meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.