The New Mexico Junior College Board met on Thursday, November 15, 2007, 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; Mrs. Yvonne Williams; and Mr. Guy Kesner.

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. Williams, the agenda was unanimously adopted, as presented.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Kesner, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of October 18, 2007.

Under President’s Report, Dr. McCleery informed the Board that Carol Brito from Santa Fe Community College and ACCT would like to coordinate a meeting with independent community college boards in the state.

Under New Business, Dan Hardin presented the October financial reports and with a motion by Ms. Chappelle, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the expenditures for October, 2007.

Dr. McCleery presented the recommended legislative priorities for 2008: The Oil and Gas Training Ground $1,000,000; Baseball Field Construction $680,000; Athletic Funding $888,000; and Western Heritage Museum $60,000 for board consideration. After some discussion and upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

Dr. McCleery presented a request to move $13,500 from reserves to construct a sign recognizing the Baseball Team’s Runner-up National Championship. The sign will be a duplicate of the current National Championship sign. Upon a
motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the board unanimously approved the request.

Josh Morgan presented Bid #1008 – Construction of a Caliche Pad for the Oil Field Training Center. The administration recommended acceptance of the bid from Constructors Inc., Carlsbad, New Mexico for an amount of $228,172, exclusive of gross receipts tax. Upon a motion by Mr. Kesner, seconded by Mrs. Vinson, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

Calvin Smith presented a request from the museum advisory board which would allow wine and beer to be served at Museum events. The request does not involve Museum sponsored events and the requesting person, organization, or business would be responsible for obtaining the licensing for the event. After much discussion, the request was defeated by a 4 to 3 vote.

Dan Hardin recommended Ms. Angela Chavarria for the bookstore clerk position. Ms. Chavarria is related to Ophelia Huerta in the business office. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation.

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; Mrs. Vinson – yes; Ms. Chappelle – yes; Mr. Black – yes; Mrs. Williams – yes; Mr. Kesner – yes; and Mr. Hanna - 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.

Mr. Hanna called for comments from the public. There being none, the next regular board meeting was scheduled for December 20, 2007, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Chappelle, the board meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.