

## ***Community Advisory Committee Meeting***

***October 14, 2005***

***11:30-1pm***

***Room 106***

***Present: Dr. Jim Davis, Karla Anderson, Derek Murph, Mary Fontes, Loren Abel, Henry Tweten, Craig Mattson, Jim Carlson, Margo Svoboda, Bonnie Stewart, Betty McDonald, Steve Gander, Dr. Monica Manning, Kent Hanson, Mary Jo Bydal (Recorder)***

### **Introductions**

Introduction of Monica Manning, guest.

### **Higher Learning Commission Visit**

Kent distributed the Report of the visit. Kent spoke briefly about the successful visit. The college did not receive any negative comments relating to the merger.

### **Presidential Search**

Dr. Davis briefly explained the Presidential search process. Three candidates will be recommended to the Chancellor by the first part of March. A firm has been hired to assist with the process, i.e. reference checks, etc.

### **Bonding**

Handout...FY06 Predesign

Kent briefly discussed the bonding bill. FY06 \$600,000 design money was allocated. FY08 \$6,972,000 construction money will hopefully be allocated. We are not at the top of the list, but we are in a fairly good position. Dr. Davis predicts EGF will double in size (enrollment) in the next 10 years.

Kent thanked Altru Health System for working with us with clinicals for our nursing students.

### **Foundation**

Bonnie Stewart, Foundation Director, presented. Bonnie described her background in non-profit organizations. Her hopes are to keep people in this rural region. She handed out a brochure. Approximately \$70,000 in scholarships will be awarded to TRF students. Expansion of the Foundation to the EGF campus is being put in place. The structure of the Foundation is a Board and an Executive Committee made up a President, Vice President at EGF, Vice President at TRF, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2 At-Large (one from each campus). Other committees, which exist in TRF and hope to be replicated to EGF include: Fund Raising, Scholarship, Alumni, and Finance. Derek Murph (student rep) asked if students are on the executive committee. Bonnie stated that there is a past student on it. President Davis thought that would be a good addition to the committee (one student from each campus). Derek said to keep him in mind as a student member.

**Dr. Monica Manning; The Role of the College in Economic Development;  
How to Partner**

Dr. Manning is executive officer and co-founder of The Nova Group. She is committed to helping create the new kinds of educational institutions that meet society's needs while providing people with the opportunity to develop and use their talents for productive and rewarding lives. Monica stated that the College is poised in an incredible place now.

The Foundation being put in place is great timing.

Partnership...Partnering needs to be person-to-person, people of the college participating in the community activities. Business partners should be a part of designing courses.

A survey was distributed, completed and handed in.

**Other**

Kent stated that the College has a new program, Phlebotomy, which is one semester with 15 students enrolled.

Jim Carlson, stated that PRACS is working with four year colleges to get them to teach courses that their employees need. He is presently working with Moorhead Tech and will keep doing that. They will need to do the same in EGF. It is critical that administration know which faculty people will actually work with businesses. Jim will set up a meeting with PRACS employees, Kent and the College's CLT instructors. Jim will contact Kent...

**Next meeting:** January 13, 2006, lunch meeting. To discuss the College planning information and survey results.

Recorder, Mary Jo Bydal