Minutes from the MACTE Meeting  
IHL Board Room  
September 5, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Richard Blackbourn, President. Dr. Blackbourn thanked Dr. Lee for arranging the meeting at IHL.

The agenda was distributed. Dr. Blackbourn called for a motion to approve the agenda; the motion was made by Dr. Rock and seconded by Dr. Burnett.

Minutes from the last meeting were distributed. One correction was noted regarding Dr. Boyce’s title. The correction of, “Associate Commissioner of Academic and Student Affairs at IHL,” was made. Dr. Blackbourn called for a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion was made by Dr. Jolly-Smith and seconded by Dr. Burnett.

Members in attendance: Ben Burnett, William Carey; Richard Blackbourn, MSU; Debbie Burson, Millsaps; Ann Blackwell, USM; Leslie Griffin, DSU; David Hand, Belhaven; Sue Jolly-Smith, MUW; Don Locke, Miss. College; David Rock, UM; Janetta Waddell, Blue Mt. College; Daniel Watkins, JSU; Melinda Butler, Alcorn; and representatives from Rust College.  
Dr. Susan Lee, IHL representative

Treasurer’s report presented by Debbie Burson:
- July 01, 2014 opening balance was noted to be 14,047.72
- Funds in the amount of 104.55 were expended for gifts in recognition of Dr. Griffin’s service to MACTE and for postage stamps.
- July 31, 2014 closing balance was noted to be 13,943.17

Updates from IHL presented by Dr. Susan Lee:
- Dr. Lee asked members if anyone would be attending the CAEP fall conference. Dr. Lee plans to schedule a meeting for IHLs in Mississippi to meet with CAEP leadership.
- Discussed the concern about more than one accreditation visit being scheduled at the same time. Dr. Lee is communicating with Ms. Neal about the schedule.
- Dr. Lee shared information about the Title II grant. Technical assistance will be available on Friday, October 3rd at 1:00 at IHL. Information is on the web; questions should be emailed to Dr. Lee.

New business items included:
- Inconsistency among institutions was noted in regard to the tests used for admission to a licensure program. Some institutions are allowing candidates to retake the ACT for admission to programs; other institutions are only accepting the CORE for admission. A lengthy discussion followed with no resolution.
• Inconsistency among institutions was noted in regard to adhering to the 18 sub score requirement for the ACT.
• Discussion followed on the acceptance date for passing the PPST. Dr. Lee stated that after 9-1-2014 the PPST was no longer accepted.
• Discussion followed in regard to inconsistencies among institutions regarding licensing regulations. A motion was made by Dr. Locke to request in writing from MDE the current licensing regulations and that all institutions use the same admission standards. The motion died after a second was not brought forward.
• Dr. Locke motioned for Dr. Blackbourn, as MACTE President, to contact MDE to request in writing the current regulations for program admission and licensure. Dr. Hand seconded. The motion passed in a vote 5 to 4.
• It was noted that the proposed interim license for student teacher candidates did not pass Licensure Board approval.
• The MACTE retreat proposal was not funded for this year. It was mentioned that past retreats have been beneficial and that MACTE should continue to have a retreat each year. Suggestions for topics to be discussed at a retreat should be sent to Dr. Blackbourn.
• Dr. Blackbourn shared information from the CAEP regional call in which he participated. Some items of concern included: minimal input from CAEP on the new process, human and financial constraints, diversity concerns, employment data, loan default rate information, and the need for clarity in regard to CAEP’s validity and reliability requirements for evidence.

**Dr. Hank Bounds addressed MACTE:**
Dr. Bounds discussed NCTQ. He stated that he had changed his position on NCTQ stating that their study is not replicable and that protocols were not consistent in the study. He added that it would be up to individual institutions to decide how to address NCTQ’s request for institutional data on programs. Dr. Blackbourn thanked Dr. Bounds for his support and for hosting the MACTE meeting.

There being no other items of business brought forward, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Blackbourn.

Respectfully submitted: Debbie Burson, Secretary/Treasurer