CALL TO ORDER AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM
Board Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and verified that a quorum of the Board was present.

ATTENDANCE
- Trustees: Mic Armon, Denny Hague, Judy Meyer, Rolly Williams, Christie Wood
- Also present: Michael Burke, President
  - Paul Olscamp, Interim Vice President for Instruction
  - Rolly Jurgens, Vice President for Administrative Services
  - Bruce Gifford, Vice President for Student Services
  - Robert Ketchum, Assistant Vice President for Instruction
  - Kent Propst, Assistant to the President for Community Relations
  - Marc Lyons, Attorney for North Idaho College
  - Lewis Watkins, Staff Assembly Chair
  - Bill Richards, Faculty Assembly Chair
  - Shelley Cobetto, Senate Chair
  - Josh Gittel, ASNIC President

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
Guests at the meeting included Ruth Johnson and Donna Montgomery, local citizens, Rasha Madkour of the *Spokesman-Review*, Jessica Beehner, ASNIC Senator, Cindy Hammond, LCSC Director, and Pearl Bouchard of Aging and Adult Services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion was made by Trustee Armon and seconded by Trustee Meyer to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2006 meeting, as amended, to change the name of Rolly Jurgens to Rolly Williams in Motion 01-18-06: 02 on page 3. The motion was unanimously approved.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC REMARKS
Donna Montgomery invited the trustees and audience to consider attending the “Clash of Civilizations” presentation sponsored by the NIC Republicans Club and the Pachyderms on February 27.
COLLEGE CALENDAR
Vice President Gifford told the board that the proposed academic calendars for 2006-2007 and 2008-2009 are similar to previous years. Spring break coincides with the local school district and holidays and faculty duty days remain the same. Summer blocks have 8-week sections, with two 4-week sections as well. Gifford said the calendars had been reviewed by Senate and received approval. Two calendars were presented for approval so that they can be included in the schedule that is published in March. The following motion was then made:

**MOTION 02-22-06: 03** Motion was made by Trustee Armon and seconded by Trustee Hague to approve the academic calendars for 2006-2007 and 2008-2009 as presented.

OFFICIAL SPRING CREDIT ENROLLMENT
Vice President Gifford told the trustees that the Spring 2006 enrollment as of the tenth day was 4,116 FTE. He noted that job availability and the low rate of unemployment have had an impact on enrollment. Gifford stated that dual enrollment has increased by 28% over the last year and there is significant increase in part-time enrollment. The male/female student ratio has become a national focus with NIC’s enrollment at 62% female to 38% male. Gifford also reported data on the top four majors, the residence of students, the growth of internet and dual enrollment classes, and the increases and decreases in the various majors. He said that courses are being developed to attract senior citizens and residents new to North Idaho.

HEAD START UPDATE
Vice President Jurgens introduced Doug Fagerness, Director of North Idaho Head Start. Fagerness reported a Head Start enrollment of 294. He said Head Start is offering physical exams, immunizations, dental exams, and developmental screening for disabilities. Assessment of fine and gross motor skills, adaptive and cognitive behavior, pre-math, pre-reading social communication and social-emotional development screenings are also performed. Fagerness stated that the assessments provide the information for areas of focus. He gave an update on the Bonner County Head Start Center, as well as future concerns of the organization. Trustee Meyer thanked Fagerness for the good work and great service to the community. She also noted that Head Start operates with federal and other grants, at no costs to the college to provide the services.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION REVIEW
Kent Propst told the Trustees that the HB699, the proposed legislation to form a community college system, was posted Friday evening. He said that the bill was very technical, and he is reviewing it and attempting to discern the ramifications. Propst reported that the Governor’s community college initiative will be assigned bill number soon, and the Board will be kept advised.

The trustees discussed the proposed legislation and determined if the legislation appears to be moving through the legislature, that a program for presentation to the community needs to be developed in support of local control and retention of the local property tax which supports the college.

President Burke reported on the federal legislative session and the recent trip to Washington, DC by Trustees Armon and Wood, and himself. They attended the AACC/ACCT Legislative Summit.
and met with Senators Craig and Crapo about the AACC legislative agenda. Wood praised Burke's presentations and said that the time with the congressmen and at the Summit was valuable.

**DASHBOARD INDICATORS**
President Burke substituting for Vice President Kathy Christie, presented “dashboard indicators” based upon a model in *Improving Performance of Governing Board* by Richard Chait of Harvard, who sees dashboard indicators as model for boards. The performance areas include enrollment management, program quality, resource acquisition, and student success measures for the “dashboard indicators.” Burke said the intent is to provide selective information to trustees in order to determine the performance of a college.

**REPORTS**

**PRESIDENT**
President Burke stated that due to decreased revenue, it will be necessary to implement a budget holdback during this fiscal year. He said that the President’s Cabinet was identifying holdbacks in each of their areas and upon that identification, Vice President Jurgens will make corrections to the FY06 budget. Burke stated that the budget correction was not unusual, and that NIC has found it necessary to make budget corrections mid-year in the past.

Burke also stated that chairpersons had been selected for the Vice Presidents for Student Services and Instructions Search Committees, and that members of those committees would be appointed soon.

**SENATE**
Shelley Cobetto, Senate Chair, thanked Tami Haft and the Calendar Committee for their work on the college calendars. The Senate reviewed the calendars as informational items, and had provided their endorsement. She stated that a number of policies will be going through the Senate this Spring and the Senators hoped to have the policies to the Board by May.

**FACULTY ASSEMBLY**
Faculty Assembly Chair Bill Richards reported that an ad hoc committee had been formed to review a draft policy on reduction in force and that the Assembly was asking for members to serve on Vice Presidents Search Committees. The faculty had heard a program about the international baccalaureate last month. The faculty are preparing to hold emergency meeting on HB699 (the community college bill) to learn about the proposed legislation and its implications.

**STAFF ASSEMBLY**
Lewis Watkins, Staff Assembly Chair, thanked the Trustees for their representation of NIC and the community colleges initiatives in Boise and Washington, DC. He reported on the recent meeting of staff with Vice Presidents Gifford, Olscamp, Kent Propst and Tony Stewart, about the community college legislative bill. Watkins said the staff will also be hosting a forum on personal self-defense. Surveys have been submitted for the employees’ recommendations to Meet and Confer, and the staff are holding discussions for ways to increase enrollment. He stated that the staff are eager to participate on the Vice President Search Committees.
ASNIC
Josh Gittel, ASNIC President, reported that students are working with a new group, the Associated Student Recreational Center Advocates, which supports and educates students about the proposed recreational center. The ASNIC executive team members are completing their major projects. Gittel said the budget committee is planning next year’s budget as well as working on financial data for the budget holdback. Gittel said that the student government has five students on the Dean’s List this semester.

BOARD CHAIR
Board Chair Rolly Williams stated that 85% of the Kootenai County taxpayers pay less than $99 to NIC in taxes. He said that if property tax is dropped locally (per the HB699 proposal), it will most likely be assessed by the state.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER
Trustee Wood stated that she would like to start discussion soon about community and civic events on campus for charitable events that may need special use permits. Burke explained NIC’s facility use policy and the need for NIC to subsidize the janitorial, supply, and other costs.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion was made by Trustee Armon, seconded by Trustee Meyer, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Time: 9:04 p.m.

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