BOARD ACTIONS

• Approved the minutes of March 29, 2007

• Approved Manhattan Construction’s application and certificate for payment number 11 in the amount of $1,410,178.97.

• Approved the Agreement for Distribution and Administration of Mamie Louise Payte Endowment to have ACC Foundation administer the Scholarship Fund. The criteria and selection process will be developed by the Board of Regents.

• Approved Foundation Support Agreement between ACC and ACC Foundation, Inc.

• Approved Mir∙Fox & Rodriguez, P.C., as the independent auditors for the coming year.

• Approved the TSCM Educational Benefits for Summer 2007 for Tobie Matusek and Scott Powell.

• Approved Akilah Martin for the position of Coordinator, Student Activities.

• Acknowledged the retirement of Dr. Gerald Skidmore in August 2007.

• Accepted the resignation of Sulema E. Cabrera, Director, Information Technology.

• Approved the discontinuation of the computer data processing program at Stringfellow Unit at the end of this cycle and the addition of a Culinary Arts program at the Central Unit at the beginning of the July, 2007 vocational cycle.

• Accepted the Financial Statements (March, 2007) and Check Register.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

• Awards Day was held on Monday, April 23, to honor students for academic excellence.

• Following the lead of the very first class, students enrolled in the new Certified Nursing Assistant course offered at ACC during March earned a 100 percent pass rate on the state exam recently. Two classes, with a combined total of 14 students, were held concurrently at the main campus and Pearland Center. The CNA state exam is administered through the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (TDADS) Nurse Aide Training and Competency Evaluation Program.

• The President’s Tea honored 14 students as 2007 Presidential Scholars. The scholars have completed at least 45 credit hours and maintained a minimum 3.90 grade point average.

• The ACC Foundation Author’s Luncheon with guest speaker Larry Dierker was a success. The event raised over $13,000.

• Achieving the Dream Update - Community Colleges Count coaches Dr. Marisol Arredondo and Dr. Martha Romero were on campus on April 23 to help the Core Team finalize its grant application.

• Career and Job Placement Services and The WorkSource partnered to host Spring Career Expo on April 18. The Career Expo, which was open to the community, as well as ACC students and graduates, was an excellent opportunity to bring employers and job seekers together.
• Alvin Community College Foundation presented the annual Excellence Awards to Speech and Drama Department Chair Dr. Jay Burton, Broadcast Communications Director Cathy Forsythe and Administrative Assistant II Teresa Craft during the President's Tea. Each year, the ACC Foundation presents the Excellence Awards to a faculty member, administrative staff employee and TSCM employee. The three recipients are nominated by college faculty and staff and selected by a committee. Each recipient receives a plaque and $1,000. The goal of these awards is to recognize individual staff members who have not only achieved excellence in performance of their job over a sustained period of time, but have also provided exemplary service to the college and community.

• The Drama Department and students hosted a one-act play UIL competition for area junior high students on March 31.

• The PTK Mu Upsilon Chapter hosted their annual dance for people with disabilities on April 13.

• The ACC Office of Admissions and Academic Advising and the Financial Aid Office hosted an open house on April 17.

• The Music Department hosted a free choir concert, entitled “The Music of Art,” on Monday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the main campus theatre.

• The Athletic Department held its annual sports banquet on April 27.

• Phi Theta Kappa Mu Upsilon Chapter President Lynn Johnson, of Alvin, was inducted into the Hall of Honor as an outstanding member at the PTK Texas Regional Convention in Odessa recently. Hall of Honor inductees comprise the top 25 most outstanding members in the state. Johnson, a 35-year-old mother of two who stopped going to school in the 10th grade and later earned her GED, first attended ACC in 2003 and has been a member of PTK since October 2005. During the convention, the PTK Mu Upsilon Chapter also received the 2006 Pinnacle Platinum Award in recognition of outstanding merit and achievement in leadership on campus and in the community, the 2006 Pinnacle Bronze Award for conducting a successful membership acceptance campaign, merit for leadership hallmark and earned its ninth consecutive Five Star status. PTK is the international honor society for two-year colleges. With over 1.5 million members, it is the largest higher education honor society in America.

• ACC will offer its first online phlebotomy technician certification course in August. Taught by American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Medical Technologist JoAnn Jones, the one semester program prepares students to take the ASCP national board exam and work in the medical field by collecting blood for testing or transfusions. During the course, students will spend most of their time online with assignments and tests, but will get practical experience in the lab setting on the main campus and serve a clinical rotation at a local hospital. To become a phlebotomy technician, applicants must have a high school diploma or GED, be at least 18 years old and meet several additional requirements. Financial aid is available for qualifying students.

• The Continuing Education Programs will host an open house on May 15, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Nolan Ryan Center, and on May 16, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Pearland Center. Staff will be available to provide information about careers in many fields, including pharmacy technology, massage therapy, truck driving, certified nursing assistant, professional pilot, health and medical, real estate, loan officer, professional inspector and more, and how ACC can provide training.

• World-renowned guitarist Philip Hii gave some instruction during a Gulf Coast Intercollegiate Conference Guitar Master Class on April 12. The class was offered to students from GCIC schools. Hii is an international recording artist, performer and educator

INFORMATION ITEMS

Received Letters from:

• Priscilla McCool, AISD Coordinator, ASSETS, commending ACC and Dennis LaValley, for engaging and inspiring the AISD art students.
• Joann Benton, Director Subrecipient Monitoring, Texas Workforce Commission, stating that their review of the Self-Sufficiency program administered by ACC indicates that controls exist to support proper administration of fiscal and program operating systems.

• Christina Paddie, ACC student and parent, thanking the College for the wonderful ACC Kid’s College program.

• Pat Miller thanking Dr. Allbright and the College for the support of his son’s competition in “Grease.”

• A. Ross LeFevre, Principal, HLP Holdings, LLC, thanking Darla Cooper and her art students for their beautifully executed layouts for their proposed mural.

PRESENTATIONS

JoAn Anderson and Dr. Darryl Stevens presented information on Food Service. The presentation included: results of a student and staff survey; information from other college’s food services revenue; possible franchises that could be purchased; and the need for renovation to the entire student center. The board requested that a comprehensive Food Services/Student Center plan be presented in July.