The October 15, 2002, meeting of Southern’s Board of Governors was held at Glade Springs Resort in Daniels, WV.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Compact Narrative Approval**

The Board approved the institutional Compact narrative update for submission to the Planning, Information Management and Policy Analysis division of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. Once received, Vice Chancellor Skidmore will forward Compact narratives to the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education for review and approval prior to the Commission’s approval.

The Compact narrative includes the following:

1. Mission summary
2. Vision summary
3. Important campus challenges and opportunities
4. Campus-specific initiatives related to SB 653 and statewide Compact goals
5. Elaboration of qualitative information request by SB 653
6. Other important campus goals
7. Important campus strategies to achieve goals

On October 4, 2002, our Strategic Planning Committee approved the Compact narrative to be submitted to the Board of Governors for final approval.

The Compact narratives are due to the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission by November 15, 2002, and the Compact Data Reports are due by December 15, 2002.

**Policy Approvals**

Following a 30-day comment period, the Board adopted the following policies, effective upon passage:


**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

President Joanne Tomblin updated the Board on pertinent institutional developments.

- Southern is one of two colleges in the State that received a rating of ‘good’ from the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) concerning assessment.
- The National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission is currently (October 15-17) conducting an evaluation of Southern’s Nursing Program at the Logan Campus.
- President Tomblin is forming an Enrollment Management Task Force to conduct a need’s analysis in Wyoming and McDowell counties in an attempt to increase the enrollment at the Wyoming Campus.
- President Tomblin has met with campus constituencies regarding projected budget cuts for fiscal year 2004. She has scheduled brown bag luncheon meetings at each campus to continue budget discussions as follows:
  1. October 29 – Boone, Rm. 112
  2. November 11 – Wyoming, Rm. 110
  3. November 13 – Logan, Rm. 111
  4. November 19 – Williamson, Rm. 324
- Our enrollment has increased 6% in FTE from Fall 2001. This increase does not include Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College’s enrollment.

**Next meeting:**

November 19, 2002
Logan Campus, Room 111
6:00 p.m.

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