

Community College Board Members Are Announced

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Ten prominent business and community leaders, from the Peninsula political subdivisions, were named Tuesday as advisors to the Peninsula community college to be constructed in Hampton.

The names of the more than 100 persons who participated out of 180 persons notified for the position are four from the city of Hampton, three from Newport News and one each from Williamsburg and James City and York counties.

Their office appointments effective immediately and their first action probably will be to select a name for the Peninsula college and advise on naming a president for the school, James Bradley, director of communications for the State Department of Community College, said.

Directors of the state system for the selection of advisors are:

- Dr. Francis W. Sheild, who practices dentistry in Hampton;
- Dr. Jess T. Miller, who practices internal medicine in T. Melvin Butler, director of administration for the Virginia Aeronautics and Space Administration;
- Advisors from Newport News are: L. Felix Blodsoe, chief engineer of the machinery design division, Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.; Robert B. Smith, general manager of The Daily Press, Inc.; and Harry J. Kostel, partner in the law firm of Jones, Bleckman, Woltz and Kelly, Newport News.

Representative from Williamsburg is Edward P. Alexander, vice president of Colonial Williamsburg. York County is represented by August Frederick Penzold Jr., retired as chief of staff for Landing Force Training Command, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

James City County is represented by Ralph D. Cobb, manager of manufacturing for Dow Badische Co.'s synthetic fiber plant in Williamsburg.

Reason for the selection of the 10th man was to allow a representative from each political subdivision, Bradley said.

The advisors were picked from a list of 10 names presented by an ad hoc nominating committee composed of representatives of the five subdivisions.

Serving on the committee were Dr. Murray Loring of James City County; vice mayor B. N. Millner of Newport News; Mrs. Stella Neiman of Williamsburg; councilman Tom G. Waters of Hampton; Mrs. John P. Wornom of York County; and D. B. Thomas of Newport News, a member of the board for the state system.

No date has been set for the first meeting of the group.

At the first meeting, the board will select a chairman and other officers and determine what length terms they will serve. Directors of the state board ruled that one third of the advisors will serve four-year terms, one third will serve three years and one third will serve two years. The term for the tenth man has not been determined.

The Peninsula group was one of two selected by the state board Tuesday. Advisors for a college for the Lynchburg area also were named.

In other business, which might have some effect on the Peninsula, the college at Roanoke was named Virginia Western Community College. There already is a Community College of Northern Virginia.

Indications are, however, that the name of a prominent Hampton resident now deceased will be suggested although desire could be strong to name the facility Virginia Eastern, it was indicated Tuesday.

The state board also presented its preliminary capital outlay budget for the next three biennium but kept contents of the budget secret.

The budget was requested by Gov. Mills E. Godwin, who will make any announcements concerning it, Bradley said.

Bradley said provisions for construction of the Peninsula facility and equipping it are in the budget.