MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Peaches, Chairman
Neal Thompson, Secretary
Norris Baldwin
Bill Jeffers
Dr. Paul Reynolds

OTHERS PRESENT: Janlouise Armstrong
Dr. Richard Balsley
Gina Ciuffetelli
Jo Lynn Fox
Rose Kreher
Dr. Gary Passer
Dan Simper
Terri Tubbs
Mira White

Chairman Daniel Peaches called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Mr. Baldwin led the Board members and the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Peaches welcomed the visitors.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Norris Baldwin moved to adopt the agenda. Neal Thompson seconded the motion, and the agenda was accepted by a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Bill Jeffers and seconded by Paul Reynolds, the minutes of the regular meeting of October 18, 2005, the Executive Session #1 for Legal Advice of October 18, 2005, and the Executive Session #2 for Legal Advice of October 18, 2005 were unanimously approved.
CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Daniel Peaches called for any public comments. There were none.

A) Faculty Report – None
B) CASO Report – Rose Kreher reported that the CASO held their Fall Retreat on November 4th. The Navapache Disaster Response Team reported on their experiences in Mississippi as they assisted in the hurricane relief effort. They noted that the experience was one that they would not trade! The organization awarded their Fall 2005 Scholarship in the amount of $400 to Mrs. Colandra Walker of Kayenta. Raffle tickets are currently being sold for a scholarship fundraiser. Two holiday themed wall hangings have been donated for the raffle. Scholarship Fundraising Drive earned the fund $800 in commitments.
C) Student Government Report – Mark Vest, Vice President for Student Services, introduced Mira White of the Student Government organization for their report. The final constitution is now ready for approval and they are currently in the construction phase of a student survey, a web site and a newspaper. They will be participating in the Holbrook Festival of Trees this holiday season.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

A) President’s Report – Dr. Passer introduced the new Small Business Development Center Director, Ms. Jessica Covey. Ms. Covey said that her goal for the SBDC was to “bridge the gap for small business.” There are three part time analysts’ positions that serve the Center. Lisa Putt and Suzy Baldwin currently hold positions and the third is vacant.

Dr. Swarthout reported that NPC has been included in a Federal Department of Labor Grant through the Arizona Department of Commerce that also includes IBM and Mesa Community College. IBM will develop modules in software engineering and NPC and MCC will work together to develop the educational course work and incorporate the modules into a software engineering program. She also noted that an NPC faculty team will be attending an Assessment Workshop to prepare for the next NCA review and that our nominees for NISOD excellence in teaching awards are Orina Hodgson, Curtis Casey and Claude Endfield. They will attend the upcoming NISOD conference to be honored. The NPC performance schedule for December in the Performing Arts Center includes a December 2nd Holiday Concert, December 3rd and 8th theater productions and on December 9th, a dance program will be presented.

Everett Robinson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations, took a few minutes of time to announce that the NPC All-USA, All-Arizona Academic Team nominations are Amber Brady and Christopher Boblett. Students selected to the All-Arizona Team receive tuition waivers to complete their bachelor degrees at
one of the state’s three universities plus a scholarship check from their sponsoring institution. The team rankings will be announced in late January and the awards luncheon will be held on February 9 at Mesa Community College.

B) Board Report: Dr. Paul Reynolds announced that the inauguration of the new Hopi Tribal Chairman would take place at the Hopi Junior/Senior High School on Thursday, December 1, at 10:00 am. Dr. Ivan Sidney, a former NPC Governing Board member, is the newly elected Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Request to Approve Agreement to Deliver College Level Classes at Whiteriver School District #20
B) Request to Approve Agreement to Deliver College Level Classes at Window Rock School District #8
C) Request to Approve Agreement to Deliver College Level Classes at Heber-Overgaard Unified School District #6
D) Request to Approve Agreement to Deliver College Level Classes at Joseph City School District #2
E) Request to Approve Agreement to Deliver College Level Classes at Hopi Junior/Senior High School

The five high school agreements continue arrangements to deliver college classes to high schools in the NPC service area. Bill Jeffers made the motion to approve the five agreements and Neal Thompson seconded the motion. The agreements were approved by a majority vote with one abstention by Dr. Reynolds.

F) Request to Approve Computer Lease

The three year “fair market lease” with University Lease for 156 computers was unanimously approved. The lease is available through Arizona State contract. The advantage to leasing would be the elimination of the disposition problem. Paul Reynolds made the motion to approve the lease and Bill Jeffers the second. The annual payments will be $73,059.48. There was some discussion concerning the need for a better tracking or inventory control system for computers district wide. There will be some upgrading of hardware in existing computers done this year also to bring them into compliance with the district standard.

G) Request to Approve Vendor Vouchers for Payment

Approval of the vouchers for payment was unanimous. Bill Jeffers made the motion to approve and Paul Reynolds made the second.
H) Formalization of Agreement with Former President Pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding

At 11:43 am the motion was made by Neal Thompson to move into an executive session as provided for by ARS §38-431.03 A (3) to have a consultation for legal advice with the attorney of the college on this agenda item. Norris Baldwin seconded the motion and the Board moved into executive session. At 12:00 Noon the Board moved out of executive session and the motion was made by Paul Reynolds to approve the Settlement Agreement with Dr. Fleming as discussed in the executive session. The motion was seconded by Norris Baldwin and the vote was unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board was tentatively scheduled for January 17, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 pm upon a motion by Norris Baldwin and a second by Paul Reynolds.

Respectfully submitted,

___________________________
Terri Tubbs
Recording Secretary to the Board

___________________________
Daniel Peaches
Chairman

___________________________
Neal Thompson
Secretary to the Board