

MINUTES

Special Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College

*August 31, 2010
4 p.m.*

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., in the Founders Room for a special meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Mr. Bobby Neal, Vice Chairman; Mr. Charles Miller, Secretary, and other members of the Board, Mr. Pete Pettiet; Mr. William Clements; Mrs. Linda Patton; and Mr. Jim Montgomery. Others present were: Mr. Tony Riley; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. Jon Rigg of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose of KLVT; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp. Guest present was Mr. K. W. Hill of City Bank.

Mr. Box, Chairman, opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Miller gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

Dr. Sharp read the following statement prior to any Board action: This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year’s tax rate. The tax revenue will effectively be raised by 11.4% and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$7.50 for the tax year.

Mr. Montgomery made a motion to set the 2010-2011 tax rate the same as 2009-2010 at .244230; second by Mr. Miller; approved by unanimous vote. See Exhibit #3578.

Dr. Sharp pointed out to the Board the additional tax revenue on page 1 of the 2010-2011 Budget was accounted for on page 5 in the Major Facility Repair/Renovation category.

Mr. Pettiet made a motion to approve the 2010-2011 Budget. Mr. Clements seconded; all members voted for; vote to approve was unanimous. See Exhibit #3579.

Dr. Sharp recommended the Board approve Freese-Nichols Architects for continued architectural services. After some discussion, Mr. Clements made a motion; second by Mrs. Patton; vote to approve was unanimous.

Regent Montgomery then asked Chairman Box for the floor. Mr. Montgomery explained his position with regard to employment of a construction manager. Following his statements, he made the following motion: “Therefore, I make a motion that South Plains College entertain bids for Construction Manager both for new construction and for remodeling of existing buildings AND where a Construction Manager is not required for repairs to existing buildings, that bids be taken for any repairs that exceed \$100,000.”

His motion did not receive a second. Mr. Montgomery then proceeded to read his letter of resignation from the Board and left the Board of Regents Meeting.

Chairman Box explained the College currently has a contract with Jim McCutchin of McCutchin Construction Company who has built and renovated many projects for the past 12 years. After some discussion, Mr. Miller made a motion to continue the employment of Jim McCutchin of McCutchin Construction Company for construction management services. Second by Mr. Clements, all present voted in favor; approved.

Dr. Sharp asked the Board's permission to move forward with securing the funding for the residence hall construction, renovations to the Gentry Square grocery area and the future construction of a workforce/technical programs building in Plainview. Mr. K. W. Hill of City Bank stated interest rates on those bonds will range from 4.5 to 4.75%. Motion by Mr. Pettiet to secure funding; second by Mrs. Patton; four votes for; Mr. Box and Mr. Neal abstained.

Chairman Box asked for a motion to accept the resignation of Board Member Jim Montgomery. Motion was made by Mr. Miller; second by Mrs. Patton; all present voted in favor; approved.

Chairman Box established a search committee to look at possible candidates for the vacancy. Mrs. Linda Patton, Mr. Pete Pettiet, and Chairman Mike Box will serve on that committee. *(Corrected at September 9, 2010 Board Meeting: Search committee members will be Mrs. Linda Patton, Mr. Bobby Neal, and Mr. Mike Box.)*

Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary