

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
April 12, 2012

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, April 12, 2012, at 11:45 a.m. in the Regency Dining Room for lunch. After lunch, the Board members adjourned to the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting at 12:30 p.m. with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Mr. Bobby Neal, Vice Chairman; and other members of the Board; Mr. Pete Pettiet; Mr. William Clements; Ms. Linda Patton; and Mr. Ken Williams. Others present were Mr. Darrell Grimes; Ms. Cathy Mitchell; Mr. Tony Riley; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. John Rigg, of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose, of KLVT Radio; Ms. Lynda Work, of the Plainsmen Press and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Guests present: Ms. Teresa Green, Controller; Mr. Jim McCutchin, of McCutchin Construction; Mr. Steve Aupil, of BGR Architects; Mr. Joe Tubb, Director of Athletics; Mr. Justin Brown, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach; and Mr. Stanton Kidd and Mr. Deshaunt Walker, members of the SPC 2012 NJCAA National Championship Team.

Mr. Neal gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge to the United States Flag.

Mr. Box appointed Ms. Linda Patton to replace Mr. Charles Miller, Secretary, who resigned effective March 8, 2012.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to be made to the minutes; there being none, Mr. Clements made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Patton, vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Box asked Stephen John to read the resolution for the SPC 2012 NJCAA National Basketball Championship team aloud. Following the reading Mr. Neal made the motion to approve the resolution; second by Mr. Pettiet, approved unanimously. See Exhibit #3691.

The Chairman informed the Board there was no opposition for the upcoming South Plains College Board of Regents election. Mr. Neal made the motion, seconded by Ms. Patton, to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for General Election/Order of Cancellation of General Election scheduled to take place on May 12, 2012, and declaring Mr. Ken Williams, Mr. Alton "Pete" Pettiet, Ms. Linda Patton, and Mr. William Clements duly elected. See Exhibit #3692.

The Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer forms were signed by the appropriate Regents. See Exhibit #3693.

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Dr. Sharp asked Mr. McCutchin to present the Bidder's List and the Recommended Bid List to renovate the bathrooms in Gillespie Hall. Mr. McCutchin explained the categories and the proposed bids. Mr. Clements motioned to approve the bids for a total of \$126,453.90; second by Mr. Pettiet; approved unanimously. See Exhibit #3694.

Dr. Sharp presented the proposed employment list for 2012-2013. See Exhibit #3695. The list includes three new positions and several replacements due to retirements.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mr. Grimes explained the curriculum changes for the 2012 - 2013 school year. His report showed a total of 119 curriculum changes for all divisions. See Exhibit #3696. Mr. Neal motioned to approve the curriculum revisions as presented, second by Mr. Williams, the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for her report. Ms. Mitchell stated that the report of enrollment for Spring 2012 indicates a drop in Hispanic enrollment from 31.89% to 26.46%. We are not sure what the reason behind this is, but it could possibly be related to a change in the format required by the Coordinating Board on reporting ethnicity and race. Otherwise, the numbers appear to be in line with the past few years data. See Exhibit #3697.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Finance and Administration for his report. Mr. Riley presented the Tax Office Report and Financial Reports. The Chairman asked if there were any questions regarding the reports, there being none, Mr. Clements made a motion that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #3698 and #3699. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Riley then presented two resolutions for resale of property; 1) William D. Thomas; Account #R04730; Exhibit #3700; and Account #R18667; Exhibit #3700 motion to approve by Mr. Clements; second by

Mr. Pettiet; vote to approve was unanimous; 2) Elvia Gallegos; Accounts #R26367/#R26368/R26369/#R26370/#R26371/#R26372; Exhibit #3701; motion by Mr. Williams to approve; second from Mr. Neal; vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Riley called on Ms. Teresa Green for a Financial Aid report. Federal Awards have increased every year, except there was a small decrease in FY2007. The increase each year is primarily due to an increase in the maximum amount awarded per student, an increase in enrollment, and an increase in the cost of tuition and fees (loans are tied to cost of attendance). There was a very large increase in federal awards in FY2010 because this was the first year that students could receive a second Pell grant in the summer if certain criteria were met. Pell increased by over \$2 million and loans decreased by more than 1.8 million in FY2011. State awards are primarily made up of Texas grants and TEOG. There was a large decrease in state awards in FY2011 due to cuts in state funding and a decrease in number of eligible students. See Exhibit #3702.

Mr. Box called upon the Vice President for Institutional Advancement for his report. Mr. John presented a report on the amount of scholarships that have been administered during the 2011-12 **1638** academic year. To date, the Scholarship Office has administered \$1,602,316 in scholarship funds that have been awarded to 1,260 students. SPC Foundation awards have totaled \$515,372 to 705 students this year. On the average, Foundation scholarships have provided \$731 in scholarships per recipient, as compared to \$655 per recipient the year before. SPC program scholarships have totaled \$435,735 and have assisted 352 students. Students have received \$633,209 in third party outside scholarships. He also reported that the Scholarship Office has received a 15.4% increase in scholarship applications for 2012-13 and that the SPC Foundation Board of Directors approved a \$583,650 scholarship disbursement for the next year. This is a 9.6% increase over what is expected to be awarded for the current year. See Exhibit #3703.

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp requested that the Board change the May Meeting time to 4:30 p.m. on May 10, 2012, prior to the Employees Recognition Banquet. Motion was made by Ms. Patton, second by Mr. Clements, vote was unanimous.

The President also presented a calendar of events through commencement. See Exhibit #3704.

Dr. Sharp recommended a \$5 per credit hour increase to the Instructional Support Fees for all students, effective Fall of 2012. This increase is to help fund an employee pay raise for the coming year. Mr. Neal motioned to approve, second by Mr. Pettiet, the vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Box appointed Mr. Clements, Mr. Williams and himself to a nominating committee. This committee will work to find a person for vacated Position 4.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary