

MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
BOARD OF REGENTS  
South Plains College  
May 10, 2012

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, May 10, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Mr. Bobby Neal, Vice Chairman; Ms. Linda Patton, Secretary; and other members of the Board; Mr. Pete Pettiet; Mr. William Clements; and Mr. Ken Williams. Others present were Mr. Darrell Grimes; Mr. Tony Riley; Ms. Cathy Mitchell; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. Jon Rigg, of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose, of KLVV; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Ms. Patton gave the opening prayer.

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

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 Mr. Pettiet, vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs for his report. Mr. Grimes reported that the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Employee Recognition Banquet will be held this evening at 6 p.m. in the PE Complex, following the Board of Regents' meeting. Honored at this year's banquet will be 15 faculty members receiving tenure, 14 faculty receiving rank promotions, 105 employees will be recognized for various lengths of service (1,225 total years of service), 18 individuals who are retiring (381 total years of service) and outstanding employees and faculty that will be receiving the Excellence Awards.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for her report. Ms. Mitchell reported on SPC's 54th Annual Commencement, to be held May 11, 2012 at 10 a.m. in the Texan Dome. Fourteen hundred seventy-four students have applied for graduation, and 660 plan to participate.

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 moved that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #3705 and #3706. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Riley also presented a resolution for resale of property; Mr. Raul Delgado; Account #R17122; Exhibit #3707. Motion to approve by Mr. Pettiet; second by Ms. Patton; vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Box called upon the Vice President for Institutional Advancement for his report. Mr. John asked Regents to review a draft of a Memorandum of Understanding between the College and the SPC

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Foundation. See Exhibit #3708. The MOU was prepared by the Development Committee of the SPC Foundation Board of Directors. Regent Ken Williams serves as a member of the Foundation Development Committee. Mr. John said the relationship between the College and the Foundation and how it has changed since its creation in 1979 has been examined in the context of the comprehensive standards of the Principles of Accreditation of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. In examining the relationship, the College is required to comply with the following criteria: 1.) the legal authority and operating control of the College is clearly defined with respect to the Foundation; 2.) the relationship of the Foundation to the College is clearly described in a formal, written manner; 3) the College demonstrates that the College President controls any fund-raising activities of the Foundation or fund-raising activities of the Foundation are defined in a formal, written manner so that these activities advance the mission of the College. Mr. John explained that while the Board of Regents has board policies that define the College's relationship to the Foundation and permit the Foundation to use personnel, equipment and office space to conduct its operations, a formal written agreement is not in place. The MOU provides detailed guidelines that govern the relationship between the two entities. He stated the Foundation's Executive Committee has reviewed the document and that copies will be mailed to all members of the Foundation Board of Directors for review. The Foundation Board will be asked to take up discussion and adoption of the MOU at its June 12, 2012 quarterly meeting. Final review and adoption by the College Board of Regents will be requested at the June 14, 2012 meeting. Mr. John answered several questions and asked Regents to contact him or Dr. Sharp with any other questions or suggestions.

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp advised the Board that early reports are of a 15 billion dollar shortfall coming into the next Legislative session. Yet, no one will actually know until the session starts in January.

Dr. Sharp distributed Budget Parameters for the 2012-2013 SPC Budget. See Exhibit #3709. These

parameters are based on the information currently coming out of the Legislative session. More detail will be presented in our June meeting.

Mr. Box stated that the Nominating Committee would like to recommend Ronny Alexander for Position 4 on the South Plains College Board of Regents. Mr. Neal made a motion to approve that nomination; Mr. Pettiet seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

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Chairman

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Secretary