

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College

September 13, 2012

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, September 13, 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; Ms. Linda Patton, Secretary; and other members of the Board; Mr. Pete Pettiet; Mr. William Clements and Mr. Ronny Alexander. Others present were Mr. Jim Walker; Mr. Tony Riley; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. Stephen Henry of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose, of KLVT; Ms. Lynda Work, of the Plainsman Press and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Members absent: Ms. Cathy Mitchell and Mr. Ken Williams.

Mr. Alexander 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. Neal made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Patton, vote to approve was unanimous.

Dr. Sharp gave the Board the report on Fall 2012 Enrollment. Headcount for Fall 2012 was 9710. Enrollment dropped 7.9% (828 students) from the record fall enrollment of 2011. See Exhibit #3726.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mr. Walker gave an update on Health Occupations. He reported that classes for ADN, VN, and PTA programs are in full swing. The labs are being fully utilized and the space has made a major improvement in scheduling and handling students. Students now have more room to practice and the lab can accommodate a larger number. The PTA, VN, & ADN students are sharing certain pieces of equipment. This is so we do not have to purchase duplicated equipment, provides extra storage space, and allows the students to work together.

The Associate Degree Nursing number admitted for fall was increased to 50 and will increase again in January to 70, which will be our max. Beginning in January, the program will admit 70 twice a year. This did require hiring additional PT clinical faculty. Two have been hired this fall and an additional two will be hired in the spring. The licensure pass rate for the 2011-2012 year was 100%.

The number admitted for Vocational Nursing for fall semester was 35. We have lost three due to financial issues. A PT clinical instructor was hired to replace one who left at the end of the summer.

The Physical Therapy Assistant Program initial cohort has 14 students who are beginning their second year. A second cohort of 15 was admitted this fall. The program is in the process of writing a

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self-study for accreditation which will be submitted this fall. An accreditation site visit is scheduled for the end of January. A decision should be received in late April prior to the graduation of the first class.

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 #3727 and #3728. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement. Mr. John presented the SPC Foundation MOU, which was first brought to the Board on May 10, 2012, for the Board's approval. Motion by Mr. Pettiet to approve; second by Mr. Alexander; approved unanimously. See Exhibit #3729.

Mr. John also presented the results and findings of the 2012 Employee Survey that was administered in April. See Exhibit #3730. He reported that 403 employees participated in the survey, which measures employee response to the college's seven commitment statements that form the organizational value system for the college. Employee satisfaction with all seven organizational attributes exceeded the 3.50 mean benchmark, indicating that SPC employees are very supportive of the college's commitment to students, learning, access and diversity, community service, a quality work environment, faculty and staff, and effective use of resources. The survey indicated that overall employees see SPC as a great place to work, that they believe they are contributing to the success of the college, and that they are proud to work at SPC. Employees also identified four areas for improvement: 1.) rewards and recognition, 2.) communication and cooperation, 3.) planning and effectiveness and 4.) the budget process. Mr. John said improvements in these areas are on-going and will be addressed in the Institutional Plan. The survey results have been distributed to the college's administrative and instructional leadership and the Institutional Effectiveness Committee. Results will be posted on the college website.

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp reported that he had met with Bill Petrelli of Treanor Architects. Cosmetology instructors have been reviewing conceptual drawings of their space. Housing

drawings are to mirror the image of Tubb Hall.

Dr. Sharp also distributed Board Training DVD's on the Open Meetings Act, Public Information Act and Financial Management Training – Protecting Public Funds. Certification documents will be included in next month's Board materials.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary