

MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College

April 14, 2016

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, April 14, 2016, 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 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; Mr. Ken Williams and Mr. Ronny Alexander. Others present were Dr. Robin Satterwhite; Ms. Cathy Mitchell; Ms. Teresa Green; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. Stephen Henry of the Hockley County News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose of KLVT Radio; Ms. Chesanie Brantley of the Plainsman Press; Ms. Myrna Whitehead, News and Information Coordinator; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Guests: Mr. Jim McCutchin of McCutchin Construction; Mr. Jonathan Brookshire, Ms. Mallory Carver and Ms. Sarah Marshall of the Plainsman Press; Mr. John Rushing and Mr. Billy Alonzo of SPC TV.

Ms. Williams 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 of the regular March 12th and special April 8th meetings. There being none, Mr. Neal made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Mr. Clements, vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. McCutchin presented the Demolition Bid for the Lubbock Center. See Exhibit #4044. ZM Interiors bid \$207,000 to clear the interior of the building. Mr. Pettiet made the motion to approve the bid presented. Ms. Patton seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Dr. Sharp asked for permission to secure funding from our Depository Bank to complete the renovations of the Lubbock Center. He requested our bond be increased from \$16.5 million to \$25 million. The amount of external funds (\$8.9 million) raised for the project. Motion to increase the bond was made by Mr. Alexander, second by Mr. Williams. Vote to approve with five members; Mr. Box and Mr. Neal abstained.

Dr. Sharp requested the Board consider a Caterpillar Equipment Finance Resolution to lease some 2016 equipment for instructional purposes in the Diesel Technician Program. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Neal. Seconded by Mr. Pettiet; vote was unanimous.

Dr. Sharp presented the proposed employment list for 2016-2017. See Exhibit #4045. The list includes several replacements due to retirements and relocations. Dr. Sharp discussed with the Board the proposed employment list for the 2016-2017 Budget purposes. Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the Employment List, second by Ms. Patton. Vote to carry unanimously.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs. Ms. Mitchell updated the Board on the current Pathway Initiatives in place with Levelland ISD. See Exhibit #4046.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Satterwhite explained the curriculum changes for the 2016-2017 school year. His report showed a total of 273 curriculum changes for all divisions. See Exhibit #4047. Ms. Patton motioned to approve the curriculum revisions as presented, second by Mr. Clements; the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Business Affairs for her report. Ms. Green presented the Tax Office Report and Financial Reports. The Chairman asked if there were any questions regarding the reports, there being none, Ms. Patton made a motion that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #4048 and #4049. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman called on 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 2015-16 academic year; Exhibit #4050. To date, the Scholarship Office has administered \$2,151,593 in scholarship funds that have been awarded to 1,334 students. Overall, the amount of scholarship funds managed by the Scholarship Office has increased by 13 percent in the past five years and the number of students served has increased six percent. SPC Foundation awards have totaled \$763,026 to 819 students as of March 31, 2016. Approximately \$25,000 in scholarship funds remains to be awarded for the current fiscal year. SPC program scholarships have totaled \$655,623 and have assisted 343 students. Students have received \$732,944 in third party outside scholarships. He also reported that the Scholarship Office has received a 30 percent increase in scholarship applications for 2016-17 and that the SPC Foundation Board of Directors approved an \$834,000 scholarship disbursement for the next year.

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp asked the Board to change the time of the regular May meeting to 4:00 p.m. to coincide with the Employee Recognition Banquet. Motion made by Mr. Neal, second by Ms. Alexander and motion carried unanimously.

A calendar of events listing various activities for the remainder of the school year was presented to the Board. See Exhibit #4051.

Dr. Sharp then requested the Board consider increasing the out-of-district and non-resident tuition by \$5 per credit hour effective Fall 2016. In-district students and dual-credit would be exempt from the increase. Mr. Neal made the motion to approve the increase, followed by a second from Mr. Pettiet. The vote to carry was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.