MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

October 9, 2025

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, October 9, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board Mr. Chris Edens; Mr. Jim Mara; Mr. Joe Tubb; and Mr. Pete Stracener. Others present were Ms. Tracy Baten; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Mr. Adan Rubio, Public Relations Specialist; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Theodore Loa; Ashley Howard; and Ashley Doster, Leadership Levelland students.

Mr. Edens gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

The Chairman asked if there were any questions on the minutes as presented. Mr. Tubb motioned to approve the minutes as they were presented, and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs presented the proposed High Demand Occupation Course Fees in exhibit #5322. Mr. Edens made a motion to approve the fees as presented and Mr. Stracener seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt presented the Fall 2025 Census Enrollment Figures in exhibit #5323 as well as the Title IX 2024-25 Quarter 4/Annual Report in exhibit #5324. He also presented the SPC 2024 Annual Campus Security Report in exhibit #5325 and finally, the 2022 Official Three-Year CDR Report in exhibit #5326.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to present. Ms. Gerstenberger asked the Board to reaffirm the South Plains College Mission Statement. See exhibit #5327. Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the reaffirmation of the SPC Mission statement, followed by a second from Mr. Edens. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Business Affairs to present. Ms. Baten presented the tax office report in exhibit #5328, the financial reports in exhibit #5329 and #5330 and the quarterly investment report in exhibit #5331. Mr. Mara made the motion to approve all reports as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite provided construction updates stating that the aquatic center project is progressing well, with engineers finalizing the redesign of the pool and equipment room, while interior walls, plumbing, HVAC, and exterior additions are underway. Roofing continues across campus, with all areas except the Dome and Gentry Square expected to be completed by FEMA's November 17 deadline. He also stated that temporary fencing is in place as crews repair deteriorated or uneven sidewalk sections around campus.

Dr. Satterwhite then asked the Board to thoughtfully consider the potential closure of the Plainview Center, acknowledging the significance of this decision for those affected. Following much discussion regarding the trend of financial losses at the center, Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the closure of the SPC Plainview Center unless other provisions are made by August 2026. Mr. Tubb seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Dr. Satterwhite shared an update on the SPC Reese Center, noting that the Reese Technology Center is now the Texas Tech University Reese National Security Complex (RNSC). At present, there are no changes to operational activities at the Reese location. However, with the transfer of property to Texas Tech University, a closer collaboration is anticipated moving forward.

Dr. Satterwhite then asked the Board for nominations to the Cochran County Appraisal District Board. See exhibit #5332. Mr. Box made a motion to approve the resolution with no nominations. Mr. Edens seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite informed the Board of upcoming activities on campus.

Meeting adjourned.

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Chairman Secretary