MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
April 14, 2022

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 11:45 a.m. in the Regency 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. Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board; Mr. Jim Mara; Mr. Joe Tubb; Mr. Chris Edens; and Dr. Ty Gregory. Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Mr. Stephen Henry, of the News-Press; Mr. Drew Dunn of KLVT Radio; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Mr. Roger Reding, Director of Athletics; Mr. Erik Vance, Head Track coach; Mr. Wesley Miller and Mr. Frank Barker, Assistant Track coach; Ms. Shanna Donica, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; and Lola Hernandez, Director of Advising and Testing.

Mr. Tubb 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. Mr. Alexander made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mara. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited Mr. Reding, Coach Vance, Coach Miller, and Coach Barker to be presented with a resolution honoring the coaches and their track teams on their recent success in exhibit #4769. Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve the resolution and Dr. Gregory seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called Ms. Donica to present the student satisfaction survey in exhibit #4770.

The Chairman asked Dr. Satterwhite to present the 2022-2023 proposed employment list. See exhibit #4771. Dr. Satterwhite stated that the list includes administrators, faculty, and professional staff. Mr. Ellis made the motion to approve the list as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded the vote. Mr. Edens and Dr. Gregory abstained from the vote noting their affidavits stating they both have family members that are South Plains College employees. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs presented a follow-up on the first annual South Plains College/Texas Tech Transfer Summit as well as an update on Dental Hygiene.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to report to the Board. Dr. DeMerritt presented the 2th 8-week enrollment report in exhibit #4772. He also presented the 2021-2022 Q2 Title IX report in exhibit #4773. Dr. DeMerritt outlined as Residence Board Rate increase in exhibit #4774. He specifically asked the Board to consider raising the rate to $1,100 per semester. Dr. Edens made the motion to approve the increase, followed by a second from Dr. Gregory. The vote to approve was unanimous. He also informed the Board that the planning for commencement ceremonies scheduled for Friday, May 13, 2022 are on schedule and set for 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Texan Dome on the Levelland campus. Finally, Dr. DeMerritt invite Lola Hernandez to
provide a demonstration of the Ellucian Advise, Ellucian Experience, and the Master Texan software advisors and students utilize to better the student registration and retention experience.

The Chairman called on the Vice President Business Affairs to report. Ms. Green presented the Tax Office and Financial reports in exhibits #4775 and #4776. Dr. Gregory made the motion to approve both reports and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous. Ms. Green also presented the HEERF expenditures in exhibit #4777. She then presented three property resales: 1) Solis, #R19275, York Avenue, $2,500, exhibit #4778; 2) Rico, #R23096, 1415 S. Slaughter, Sundown, $3,456, exhibit #4779; 3) Mulloy, #R17887, 203 E. 3rd Street, Sundown, $500, exhibit #4780. Dr. Gregory made the motion to approve all three properties as presented. Mr. Edens seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Finally, Ms. Green asked the Board to consider a transfer of funds to the Welding Renovation Project from the Science Building Construction account. Mr. Alexander made a motion to approve the transfer and Mr. Tubb seconded with a unanimous vote from the Board.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to report. Ms. Gerstenberger provided an update on the South Plains College Foundation in exhibit #4781. She also invited the Board of Regents to attend the Foundation’s annual meeting on Thursday, April 28 in the Cotton Room on the Levelland campus.

The Chairman then called on the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite began his report by providing a construction update. See exhibit #4782. He stated that the progress on the Science Building renovation is going well and on schedule, and the Lubbock Downtown Center is approaching seventy-percent complete. Both projects are within their respective budgets.

Dr. Satterwhite then asked the Board to review the purchase contract for the remainder of Gentry Square in exhibit #4783. Following some discussion among the Board, Mr. Ellis made a motion to purchase the property for $375,000. Mr. Edens seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous. He also asked the Board to approve the LED lighting bids in exhibit #4784. Mr. Alexander made a motion to approve the bids as presented. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Finally, he asked the Board to approve the parking lot renovation for Allied Health that are shown in exhibit #4785. Dr. Gregory made the motion to approve the bids as presented and Mr. Edens seconded followed by a unanimous vote from the Board. The end his report, Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to consider moving the regular May 12 to 4:00 p.m. to accommodate the Employee Banquet that will follow. Mr. Mara made the motion to move the meeting time, Mr. Edens seconded, and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

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Chairman                           Secretary