MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
November 10, 2022

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, November 10, 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. Chris Edens; Mr. Joe Tubb; and Dr. Ty Gregory. Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Mr. Dom Puente, of the News-Press; Mr. Drew Dunn of KLVT Radio; Ms. Myrna Whitehead, News and Information Coordinator; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Mr. Jeff Graham and Ms. Tara Boiles of Condley and Company, LLC; Ms. Sarah Thompson, South Plains College Foundation Board Audit committee members; Mr. Wally De Los Santos; and Mr. Wally De Los Santos, Jr.

Mr. Tubb gave the opening prayer.

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

Mr. Box asked if there were any public comments. Mr. De Los Santos and Mr. De Los Santos, Jr. addressed the Board. No action was taken.

Mr. Box asked if there were any changes to the October 13, 2022 minutes. There being none, Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited Mr. Graham and Ms. Boiles to present the audit results following the annual audit. See exhibit #4954. They were complimentary of South Plains College. Mr. Edens made the motion to accept the audit as presented and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs presented the list of Fall 2022 retirees in exhibit #4955. He stated that the retirees will be honored at the Retirement Reception on Friday, December 16.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to report to the Board. Dr. DeMerritt presented the Fall 8-week census numbers in exhibit #4956. He also presented the Emergency Operations Plan in exhibit #.... Following some discussion, Dr. Gregory made a motion to approve the plan as presented and Mr. Alexander seconded, followed by an unanimous vote from the board. Dr. DeMerritt also presented proposed Room and Board rates for 2023-2024 in exhibit #4957. He accompanied his proposal with the estimated differences in exhibits #4958 and #4959. Mr. Ellis made the motion to accept the proposal and Mr. Tubb
The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Business Affairs to report. Ms. Green presented the financial report in exhibit #4960. Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the report as presented. Dr. Gregory seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Ms. Green also presented the HEERF expenditures in exhibit #4961. Finally, Ms. Green presented three resales of property: Vincente Saenz and Perla Saenz, #R7323, 407 Maple Street, $3,000.00, exhibit #4962; Vincent Saenz and Perla Saenz, #R5033, 204 Avenue K, $1,001, exhibit #4963; and Waymon Jackson, #R10306, 203 Avenue D, Levelland, $2,605, exhibit #4964. Dr. Gregory made a motion to approve all three properties as presented. Mr. Edens seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to report. Ms. Gerstenberger invited the Board to attend the CH Foundation/Philanthropy Advocates Education in Support of a Strong Workforce breakfast.

The Chairman then called on the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite began his report with construction update. He stated that a ribbon cutting ceremony will take place in early 2023 for the Lubbock Downtown Center. He also provided a detailed update on the welding expansion project in exhibit #4965. He also informed the Board that the swimming pool on the Levelland campus will be under analysis during the Christmas holiday to determine what repairs ultimately need to be made. Dr. Satterwhite also provided a legislative update in exhibit #4966. He stated that many recommendations from the Texas Associate of Community Colleges are being made to better serve community colleges across Texas. The legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board must work together to develop the processes to put the recommendations in place.

Dr. Satterwhite also requested that the Board consider adding an annual commencement ceremony beginning December 2023. See exhibit #4967. Following some discussion, Mr. Edens made a motion add a fall semester commencement ceremony, Mr. Alexander seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite also informed the Board that we have contracted with the Texas Association of School Boards to update our policy manual. TASB will rewrite all of our policies and maintain them on a yearly basis.

Dr. Satterwhite then requested that the Board consider cancelling their regular December meeting. Mr. Mara made a motion to cancel the meeting, followed by a second from Dr. Gregory and a unanimous vote.

The finish his report, Dr. Satterwhite highlighted the upcoming Christmas Tree Lighting on Thursday, December 1, the Board of Regents Christmas dinner on Tuesday, December 13, and the Fall Retirement Ceremony on Friday, December 16.

Meeting adjourned.

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Chairman                            Secretary