

## MINUTES

## Regular Meeting

## BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

November 13, 2025

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, November 13, 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. 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: Mr. Jeff Graham and Mr. Jack Moore of Condley and Company, LLP.; Mr. Jacob Braddock, Dean of Health Professions; Ms. Lynne Contreras, Director of Dental Hygiene Program; Mr. Bill Powell, SPC Foundation Board Director; Ms. Sarah Thompson, SPC Foundation Board Director; Mr. Tucker Mathis, Student Government President and Mr. Jimmy Stratton, Leadership Levelland student.

Mr. Alexander 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. Alexander motioned to approve the minutes as they were presented, and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then asked Mr. Graham and Mr. Moore to present the independent audit. See exhibit #5333.

The Chairman invited Mr. Braddock and Ms. Contreras to present the update on the Dental Hygiene Program. Mr. Braddock requested the Board's approval to sign the Design Agreement Letter of Intent with Henry Schein Medical. Mr. Stracener moved to approve the signing of the Design Agreement LOI, followed by a second from Mr. Tubb. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Braddock presented the Dental Hygiene Program Curriculum for approval, as outlined in Exhibit #5334. Mr. Alexander moved to approve the curriculum, and Mr. Mara seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs presented the Fall 2025 retirees in exhibit #5335.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt presented the Fall 2025 Census Enrollment Figures in exhibit #5336 as well as the 2025-26 Multi-hazard EOP Review Complete Report in exhibit #5337. Dr. DeMerritt also presented the policies related to SB17 for approval, as outlined in Exhibit #5338. Following discussion, Mr. Tubb moved to approve the policies, and Mr. Mara

seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of approval. He then presented the policies related to SB2972 for approval, as outlined in Exhibit #5339. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve, with a second from Mr. Alexander. The vote passed unanimously.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Business Affairs to present. Ms. Baten presented the tax office report in exhibit #5340 and the financial reports in exhibit #5341 and #5342. Mr. Tubb made the motion to approve all reports as presented. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite reported that construction projects are progressing. At the aquatic center, walls are installed and painted, plumbing and electrical work are complete, ceilings are going in, and pool area painting is finished. Roofing and rebar work continue, with dowels arriving November 14 for the scheduled pour. Brickwork will finish the week of November 10 after the final cast stone delivery. Campus roofing is ongoing; Tubb and Gerstenberger halls are now expected to finish November 13–20 due to material delays. HVAC and Auto Collision projects are nearly complete. Dome work is paused due to debris issues and will resume in March after basketball season; FEMA extended its deadline to September for roof completion after May 2026 graduation. Gentry Square is on track for January completion.

Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to review the resolution to approve votes for the Cochran County Appraisal District board in exhibit #5343. Mr. Box made the motion to split South Plains College's 83 votes evenly between Mack Ashmore and Hubert Deavours. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. He also asked the Board to review the resolution to approve votes for the Hockley County Appraisal District board in exhibit #5344. Mr. Tubb made the motion to award all 871 of South Plains College's allotted votes to Mr. Pete Stracener. Mr. Alexander seconded the vote. The votes were as follows: Box – for; Alexander – for; Ellis – for; Mara – for; Tubb – for; and Stracener – abstained. Dr. Satterwhite reported meeting with SPC Plainview Center employees and community advisory members on October 10. He stated the goal is to find alternative opportunities to serve Plainview and surrounding communities while reducing operating costs. The center is planned to close by August 2026 unless other solutions are identified. The Plainview city manager, Ted Chancellor, has expressed interest in keeping the facility open. Plainview Covenant has been accommodating, and Dean of Nursing, Dr. Strawn, has met with them and Wayland to explore alternate locations for the LVN program. Dr. Sanchez, Superintendent of Plainview ISD, will meet with Dr. Satterwhite on November 14 to discuss possible solutions. Dr. Satterwhite also reported that at the request of LEDA and industry leaders, including Armstrong Mechanical, adjustments are proposed for the Lubbock CTC Center. See Exhibit #5345. Vacant space will be repurposed to expand programs: welding bays will increase from 16 to 48, electrical and metal fabrication will relocate, and HVAC will expand into former electrical space. LEDA has committed to providing assistance in 2026 and 2027 and, together with Workforce Solutions, is pursuing a grant to cover the equipment, including EV tools for the Mustang EV donated by Smith Family Auto. Approval

was requested to proceed with planning, construction documents, and bids. Mr. Alexander moved to approve; Mr. Stracener seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Dr. Satterwhite finished his report by asking the Board to consider canceling the regular December meeting. Mr. Mara made the motion to cancel the meeting with a second from Mr. Alexander. The vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite then informed the Board of upcoming activities on campus through the end of the semester.

Meeting adjourned.