

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

May 13, 2021

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, May 13, 2021, 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. Ty Gregory; Mr. Joe Tubb; and Mr. Jim Mara. Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Mr. Stephen John; Ms. Kattie Moody, of the News-Press; Mr. Drew Dunn of KLVT Radio; Myrna Whitehead, News and Information Coordinator; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Mr. Steve Afill, and Mr. Kurt Hughlett of BGR Architects.

Mr. Mara 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. Second by Mr. Mara, vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Box invited Dr. Satterwhite to review the bids in exhibits #4635 and #4636 for the Downtown Lubbock Center. Following much discussion, Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve the bids as presented. Mr. Mara seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to report. Dr. Gibbs provided an overview of the employee services awards and Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 retirees in exhibit #4637. He then presented the Board with the proposed curriculum changes in Arts & Sciences (exhibit #4638), Technical Education (exhibit #4639), and Health Services (exhibit #4640). Following discussions about the proposed changes, Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve the changes as presented. Mr. Gregory seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for his report. Dr. DeMerritt updated the Board on the upcoming graduation ceremonies as well as the student awards for Spring 2021.

Ms. Green presented the Tax Office Report, and Financial Reports as seen in exhibits #4641 and #4642. Mr. Alexander made the motion to accept the reports as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to consider

lower to cost of dual credit class in order to remain competitive with fellow higher education institutions. He proposed \$50 per credit hour or \$150 per three-hour-class. The Board discussed this change extensively. Ultimately, Mr. Alexander made the motion to lower the cost of dual credit classes. Mr. Gregory seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Dr. Satterwhite also provided a construction update on the Science Building renovation in exhibits #4643, #4644, and #4645. He stated that Phase I on the renovation and nearing completion and that Phase II is progressing on schedule.

He then provided a legislative update followed by an overview of upcoming year-end activities that include the nurses pinning on Thursday, May 13, 2021 and graduation ceremonies slated to take place on Friday, May 14, 2021 in the Texan Dome.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary