

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

March 10, 2022

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

Guests present: Jordan Flores, Director of Development and Alumni Relations; and Ms. Missy Passmore, Alumni Relations Coordinator.

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

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to report. Dr. DeMerritt presented an update on the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Student allocation distribution. He also informed the Board that the annual commencement ceremonies will be held on Friday, 13 in the Texan Dome on the Levelland campus. Finally, Dr. DeMerritt provided the FY 2019 cohort default rate from the US Department of Education in exhibit #4748.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to report. Dr. Gibbs provided an update on the Texas Tech South Plains College transfer summit scheduled for Friday, April 1, 2022 at the Jones AT&T Stadium. See exhibit #4749. He also provided a SACSCOC update.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Business Affairs to present her report. Ms. Green began by presenting an order of cancelling for the called election for positions #3 and #4 in exhibit #4750. Mr. Box, position #3 and Mr. Alexander, position #4 were both unopposed during the filing period. Dr. Gregory made a motion to accept the cancellation order as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded the motion to the vote to approve was unanimous. She also presented the tax office and financial reports in exhibits #4751 and #4752. Mr. Alexander made a motion to accept the reports, followed by a second from Mr. Mara. The vote to approve was unanimous. She then presented the quarterly investment in exhibit #4753. Dr. Gregory made the motion to accept the report as presented and Mr. Tubb seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous. She also

presented the HEERF expenditures in exhibit #4754. Ms. Green presented a letter from transmittal from Condley and Company, LLP as well as their audit proposal. See exhibits #4755 and #4756. Mr. Ellis made the motion to select Condley and Company, LLP as the audit firm. Mr. Edens seconded the vote to approve was unanimous. Finally, Ms. Green presented one resale of property: Martha Mirales, #R29133, 2006 Oil Well Road, Levelland, \$5,051.00; exhibit #4757. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve the resale of property and Mr. Edens seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to present. Ms. Gerstenberger invited Mr. Flores and Ms. Passmore to provide an update on the 24th annual scholarship gala in exhibit #4758. Mr. Flores stated that the gala was able to raise \$273,326 that included table sales, both live and silent auction, as well as donations following the event.

The Chairman then called on the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite began his presentation by presenting the Faculty rank recommendations in exhibit numbers #4759 and #4760. Mr. Ellis made the motion to approve the recommendations and Dr. Gregory seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous. He also presented Faculty tenure recommendations in exhibit #4761. Mr. Alexander made a motion to approve the recommendations as presented and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous. He also provided a construction update in exhibit #4762. He highlighted to progress being made on the second phase of the Science Building renovation, the construction progress on the Lubbock Downtown Center, and the Firing Range progress on the Levelland campus. He also asked the Board to consider moving forward with bids for the LED lighting project. See exhibit #4763. Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve the bids as presented, Mr. Edens seconded, and the vote to approve was unanimous. The Board also reviewed construction manager at risk for the welding expansion in exhibits #4764, #4765, and #4766. Following much discussion, Dr. Gregory made the motion to approve Teinert Construction. Mr. Edens seconded. The votes were as follows: Box – For; Gregory – For; Edens – For; and Mara – For. Mr. Tubb – abstained. Mr. Ellis and Mr. Alexander abstained from voting stating they have both signed affidavits disclosing their family relationships with two of the proposed managers.

Finally, Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to consider a change in tuition and fees for the 2022-2023 academic year. He provided a breakdown of current tuition and fees based on location as well as proposed revenue changes in exhibit #4767 and #4768. Mr. Alexander made a motion to increase tuition \$10 per credit hour for out of district and non-resident students. Mr. Edens seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary