

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

August 13, 2015

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, August 13, 2015, at 11:45 a.m. in the Regency Dining 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; Ms. Linda Patton, Secretary; and other members of the Board; Mr. William Clements; Mr. Ken Williams; Mr. Pete Pettiet; and Mr. Ronny Alexander. Others present were Ms. Cathy Mitchell; Ms. Teresa Green; Mr. Stephen John; Dr. Robin Satterwhite; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. John Rigg, of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose of KLVT Radio; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Members absent: Mr. Bobby Neal

Mr. Williams 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; there being none, Mr. Alexander made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Patton, vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs for his report. Dr. Satterwhite reported that most faculty positions have been filled. See Exhibit #3982.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for her report. Ms. Mitchell reported that Summer II enrollment is down by 48 students, or 2.9%. See Exhibit #3983. She also reported that Fall enrollment was down 2.91% prior to open registration; Exhibit #3984.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Business Affairs for her report. Ms. Green presented the Tax Office Report and Financial Reports. The Chairman asked if there were any questions regarding the reports, there being none, Mr. Clements made a motion that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #3985 and #3986. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Green also presented two resolutions for resale of property; 1) Ricky Cruz; Account #12646; Exhibit #3987; motion by Mr. Williams to approve; second from Mr. Clements; vote to approve was unanimous. 2) Luis Escobar; Account #R18095; Exhibit #3988; motion by Mr. Pettiet to approve; seconded by Ms. Patton; vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement, to give a report on New Student Orientation. Mr. John reported that nine orientation sessions have been held this year with 1,014 students and 867 family guests participating. Two additional orientation sessions are

scheduled for the Levelland Campus on August 18, 2015 and August 20, 2015. To date, 263 students and 161 guests have registered for these two final sessions. In total, the college is expecting more than 1,248 students to participate in orientation, a 10.5 percent increase over last year. Since 2011, student participation in orientation has increased 70 percent. See Exhibit #3989 Mr. John explained that different orientation programs are scheduled simultaneously for students and family members and discussed the orientation activities for each session. He also reported that an analysis of student success for last summer’s orientation participants indicated that these students generally enroll in a greater number of credit hours, have a higher course completion rate, have a better grade point average and have a higher retention rate than do new students who do not participate in orientation.

The Chairman called on the President for his report.

Dr. Sharp recommended a tax rate of .366350 (slightly below the published effective rate). The motion to approve by Mr. Pettiet, second by Mr. Alexander; the vote carried unanimously.

Dr. Sharp also presented the 2015 – 2016 Budget for Board approval; Exhibit #3990. Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the Budget with a second made by Ms. Patton. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Finally, Dr. Sharp recommended the employment of BGR Architects of Lubbock and McCutchin Construction Company of Levelland for the SPC Lubbock Center project. A motion was made by Mr. Clements to accept the recommendations; Ms. Patton seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourn.

Chairman

Secretary