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Texas Southmost College District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

June 19, 2014

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on June 19, 2014, at 5:30 p.m., in the Gorgas Board Room at Texas Southmost College. Board members present were Francisco G. Rendon, Chair; Adela G. Garza, Vice Chair; Trey Mendez, Secretary; Art Rendon, Dr. Reynaldo García, Ed Rivera and Ramon Champion Hinojosa. Also present was Dr. Lily F. Tercero, President of Texas Southmost College.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rendon at 5:36 p.m.

2. Administering Oath of Office to Elected Members

Chairman Rendon announced the swearing in of three members of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District, Mrs. Adela Garza, Place 1, Mr. Art Rendon, Place 2, and Mr. Ed Rivera, Place 3.

Mrs. Garza was sworn into office by the Honorable Judge and Member of the UT System Board of Regents Ernest Aliseda. Mr. Rendon was sworn into office by the Honorable Judge Ben Neece. Mr. Rivera was sworn into office by the Honorable Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.

The Certificate of Election was signed and presented to Mrs. Adela Garza, Mr. Art Rendon, and Mr. Ed Rivera.

3. Resolution Honoring René Torres for his Years of Service on to the Board

**Consideration and Approval of
Resolution Honoring René Torres
for his Years of Service to the Board**

The Board of Trustees honored Mr. Torres for his years of service to Texas Southmost College District as a Trustee. On behalf of the Board, Chairman Rendon presented a resolution for his years of service. Fellow board members gave thanks to Mr. Torres for his years of service.

A motion was made by Mr. Hinojosa to approve the Resolution Honoring Mr. René Torres for his Years of Service as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried unanimously.
Exhibit "A"

4. Election of Officers of the Board of Trustees: Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary

**Consideration and Approval of Election of Officers
of the Board of Trustees: Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary**

Chairman Rendon opened the floor for nominations and discussions for the election of officers. Mr. Mendez made a nomination for Mrs. Garza as Chair; Mrs. Garza declined the nomination. Dr. García made a nomination for Mr. Rendon to continue as Chair. Mr. Hinojosa made a nomination for Mr. Mendez to serve as Vice Chair. Dr. García made a nomination for Mr. Rivera to serve as Secretary.

A motion was made by Dr. García to approve the election of officer for Chair of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Francisco Rendon, as nominated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hinojosa and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Hinojosa to approve the election of officer for Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Trey Mendez, as nominated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rivera and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. García to approve the election of officer for Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Ed Rivera, as nominated. The motion was seconded by Mr. A. Rendon and carried unanimously.
Exhibit "B"

5. Speakers to Agenda Items and Public Discussion

There were no speakers.

6. Mission Statement

Chairman Rendon read the existing mission for Texas Southmost College District as follows:

“Transforming our communities through innovative learning opportunities”

7. President’s Report

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to give the report. Dr. Tercero reported the hiring of Mr. Jose Andrade, Adjunct Instructor for Biology; Ms. Karina Styles-Cox, Adjunct Instructor for English; Ms. Maria Delgado, Academic Advisor funded through the Carl Perkins Grant; and Mr. Oscar Hernandez, Director of Institutional Planning, Research and Effectiveness.

She noted she had the honor of serving as the keynote speaker at the Santa Maria High School graduation ceremony which was held Saturday, May 31, 2014.

She also stated that she and several board members attended the Conference of the Community College Association of Texas Trustees that was held in San Antonio, Saturday, June 7, 2014.

8. Update on TSC Accreditation Timeline

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to present the item. Dr. Tercero stated that TSC remains accredited under the UTB/TSC partnership. She noted that the tentative schedule relating to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) had been revised due to unexpected data issues provided by UT Brownsville.

Dr. Tercero mentioned that TSC will be resubmitting the application to the accrediting agency in October 2014. She said that TSC did not cause these issues, however, TSC is working with the accrediting agency to address these issues.

Dr. Tercero called on Dr. Pedro Reyes, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs of the University of Texas System, to further explain the unexpected issues. Dr. Reyes informed the Board that UT Brownsville had lost knowledge and data during the Transition. He also stated that they did not collect the data, as required. He further stated that the UT System pledges to work with TSC and

bring any resources that they have available to address this issue and to help TSC achieve separate accreditation.

9. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2014

A motion was made by Dr. García to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2014 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried unanimously.

10. Approval of Purchase of an Ultrasound System from Carl Perkins Grant

Consideration and Approval of Purchase of an Ultrasound System for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Chet Lewis, Vice President of Finance and Administration, to present the item. Mr. Lewis said that the bid proposals were received from Sonosource, Inc, from Houston, Texas; P&C X-ray Services from Houston, Texas; Products Unlimited, Inc. from Justin, Texas; MXR SourceOne from San Antonio, Texas; and Henry Schein Medical from Melville, NY.

He said after careful evaluation and analysis of bid proposals received by the instruction division, TSC has identified the bid submitted by Sonosource, Inc. as the best value option for the purchase of the ultrasound system, in the amount of \$30,650. The system includes a 3D/4D ultrasound equipment, multi-frequency convex, abdominal transducer and thermal printer. In addition, the department suggests the purchase of the optional extended warranty for one year in the amount of \$8,800. Faculty members from the TSC Health Care, Career and Technical Education division have reviewed all technical aspects of mentioned bid and confirmed that this equipment and its components meet department requirements.

The purchase of this 3D/4D ultrasound system will serve students under the TSC Diagnostic Medical Sonography program and will increase existing program capabilities by allowing students to have an additional lab room for scanning patients.

A motion was made by Mr. Rivera to accept the bid proposal from Sonosource, Inc. for the purchase of an ultrasound system and extended warranty as described in the total amount of \$39,450 and authorize the President to execute the purchase order contract as

presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried unanimously. Exhibit "C"

11. Construction Project Update

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Lewis to present the item. Mr. Lewis said that progress continues with the relocation of the Nursing and Allied Health labs to the ITEC Center from the Life Health Sciences Building. He also reported that the demolition project is on schedule for the Village at Fort Brown.

12. Proposed Meeting Dates

Thursday, July 17, 2014
Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, July 31, 2014
Special Board Meeting – Budget
Workshop

Thursday, August 7, 2014
Special Board Meeting – Tax Rate
Special Board Meeting – Budget
Workshop

Monday, August 18, 2014
Special Board Meeting – Tax Rate (1st
Public Hearing, if needed)

Thursday, August 21, 2014
Special Board Meeting – Tax Rate (2nd
Public Hearing, if needed)
Regular Board Meeting (First Reading of
Budget)

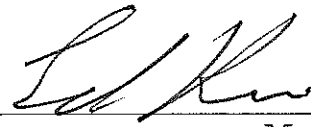
Friday, August 29, 2014
Special Board Meeting (Second Reading
of Budget, Adoption of the Budget,
Adoption of Tax Rate)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rendon at 7:00 p.m.



Mr. Francisco G. Rendon
Chairman, Board of Trustees



Mr. Ed Rivera
Secretary, Board of Trustees

NOTE: The tape of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on June 19, 2014, is on file at the District Office of the Texas Southmost College District. The master tape is on file at TSC Media Services. These minutes were taken and transcribed by Max E. Roca, Senior Administrative Assistant. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees' meetings began on April 11, 1996. They are aired on Channel KBSD in cooperation with the Brownsville Independent School District.