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Texas Southmost College District

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

September 5, 2013

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on August 29, 2013, 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; René Torres; Dr. Reynaldo García; Ramon Hinojosa and Dr. Robert Lozano. Also present was Dr. Lily F. Tercero, President of Texas Southmost College. Board members absent was Trey Mendez, Secretary.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rendon at 5:35 p.m.

2. Special Report on the Opening of the College

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to make the report. Dr. Tercero announced that there is a new Director of Workforce and Continuing Education, Mr. Steven Sanchez.

Dr. Tercero also gave a summary report as August 30, 2013: Financial Aid Awards for Fall 2013, Financial Aid Disbursements, and Student Orientation Information. *Exhibit "A"*

3. Approval to Authorize the President to Establish Non-Credit Tuition and Fees

Consideration and Approval to Authorize the President to Establish Non-Credit Tuition and Fess

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to present the item. Dr. Tercero reported that upon the approval of this agenda item, TSC will be able to move forth with the planning, development and implementation of continuing education courses. Tuition and fees will be on a per course basis. There will be no price difference for in-district or out-of-district residents for continuing education courses.

A motion was made by Mrs. Garza to approve to Authorize the President to Establish Non-Credit Tuition and Fees as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. *Exhibit "B"*

4. Approval of Adoption of 2013 TSC District AD Valorem Tax Rate

Consideration and Approval of Adoption of 2013 TSC District Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Chet Lewis, Vice President for Administration and Finance to present the item. Mr. Lewis reported that the Texas Constitution and Property Tax Code embody the concept of truth-in-taxation to require the District to comply with certain steps in adopting the tax rate. The District has taken the necessary steps toward adopting a tax rate for 2013 by calculating and publishing the effective and rollback tax rates and discussing the tax rate. In that process, the District identified its needs for the upcoming fiscal year and has adopted a budget to meet those needs. The taxes necessary to cover those needs require the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.162935 per \$100 of valuation.

Chairman Rendon read the resolutions.

A motion was made to by Mrs. Garza to adopt a resolution of Maintenance and Operations tax rate of \$0.101596 and a Debt Tax Rate of \$0.061339 per \$100 of valuation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. *Exhibit "C"*

5. Proposed Meeting Dates

Thursday, September 19, 2013 - Regular Board Meeting

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rendon at 5:52p.m.

Mr. Francisco G. Rendon Chairman, Board of Trustees

Trey Mendez, J. D. Secretary, Board of Trustees