

## MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS

South Plains College

March 21, 2024

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board Mr. Joe Tubb; Mr. Chris Edens; and Mr. Jim Mara; Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Mr. Michael Weist of KLVT Radio; Mr. Dom Puente, Levelland News Press; Ms. Kati Moody with the Texan Mosaic; Mr. Adan Rubio, Public Relations Specialist; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Members absent: Dr. Ty Gregory.

Guests present: Ms. Shanna Donica, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; Ms. Samantha Goldie, Director of Development and Alumni Relations.

Mr. Tubb gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

The Chairman asked if there were any questions on the minutes as presented. Mr. Tubb motioned to approve the minutes as they were presented and Mr. Alexander seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited Ms. Donica to share the results of the student satisfaction survey in exhibit #5119.

The Chairman then invited the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs asked the Board to consider occupational skill awards as seen in exhibit #5120. Mr. Ellis made a motion to move forward with awarding occupational skills. Mr. Edens seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Gibbs also asked the Board to consider awarding a barber certificate in exhibit #5121. Mr. Ellis made a motion to begin awarding a barber certificate. Mr. Tubb seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt informed the Board that the spring commencement ceremonies will take place Friday, May 10 in Texan Dome. He also presented the FY 2021 Cohort Default Rate from the US Department of Education in exhibit #5122. Finally, Dr. DeMerritt brought Policy FH to the Board requesting approval. See exhibit #5123. Mr. Ellis made the motion to approve changes to Policy FH. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Business Affairs to present. Ms. Green presented the tax office, financial, and investment reports in exhibits #5124, #5125, #5126, and #5127. Mr. Edens made the motion to approve all reports as presented. Mr. Ellis seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. She also asked the Board to consider approving an audit firm. Condley and Company, LLC was the only firm to

submit a request. See exhibits #5128 and #5129. Mr. Tubb made the motion to select Condley Company, LLC as the audit firm. Mr. Alexander seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to present. Ms. Gerstenberger invited Ms. Goldie to provide an update on the recent scholarship gala. Ms. Goldie announced the grand total of \$195,435 raised for students during the event. See exhibit #5130. She also noted that donations are still being received. Ms. Goldie also invited the Board to the ribbon cutting for the Judy Bryant Outdoor Fitness Court on Friday, March 22.

The Chairman invited the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite presented the faculty rank and tenure recommendations in exhibits #5131, #5132, and #5133. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite also provided a construction update. He stated that the outdoor fitness complex is complete and ready for use. He also noted that exhibit #5134 details a proposal to renovate Frazier Hall. This was information only and no action was taken during the meeting. Dr. Satterwhite also asked the Board to consider tuition and fees changes. He provided the current cost chart in exhibit #5135, a breakdown of potential increases in exhibit #5136, and the current cost of attendance in exhibit #5137. After much discussion, Mr. Ellis made a motion to increase the cost of by \$7 per credit hour for non-resident, out-of-district students. Mr. Alexander seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

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Chairman

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Secretary