

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

June 20, 2013

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas Junior College met in regular session June 20, 2013 in the Bluebonnet Room of the Matthews Student Center. The Board President, Rodolfo R. Flores, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present were:

Rodolfo R. Flores, President
Dr. Harry O. Watkins, Vice-President
Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary
Maria Elena Lara
Victor Lopez
Tony T. Moreno, and
Anita Shackelford

Also present was Dr. Ismael Sosa, Jr., President of the College.

The minutes of the May 16, 2013 Regular Meeting were read and approved as presented by Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board.

Board President Flores welcomed guests at the meeting which included college personnel Dr. Hector Gonzales, Dr. Blaine Bennett, Joe Barker, Dr. Mark Underwood, Willie Edwards, Wade Carpenter, Anne Tarski, Romelia Aranda, Ismael Martinez, Jesus Martinez, Margot Mata, Oscar S. Garcia, Derek Sandoval, Dr. Cheryl Sanchez, Richard (Dick) Whipple, Roy Angermiller, Jesus R. Suarez, and Xaviera Haynes. Also in attendance were Thomas Ferrell of Ferrell/Brown and Associates, Inc., Dr. Paul Sorrels of Sul Ross Rio Grande College, and SWTJC students, Osbaldo Garcia, Taylor Belicek, Laken Harrison, Sunjin P. Contreras, Juan Alvarez, Carisa Rubio, Elisa Blanco, Morgan McDonald, Joshua Gonzales, Gracie Hernandez, Rodrigo Santos, Lane Alaniz, Adriana Martinez, and Debbie Costilla. Also Debbie and Glenn McDonald and from the Uvalde Leader News, Jessica Magnus.

Audience to Patrons – None

Recognition of the SWTJC Rodeo and Morgan McDonald.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve the financial statement as of May 31, 2013 as presented by Anne Tarski, Vice-President of Finance. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

President's Report given by Dr. Hector Gonzalez, President-Elect.

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Victor Lopez to approve the Del Rio change order as presented by Thomas Ferrell. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Tony T. Moreno and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to approve the Academic Probation / Suspension Policy as presented by Dr. Mark Underwood. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Maria Elena Lara and seconded by Victor Lopez to approve an agreement with Sul Ross College and Southwest Texas Junior College giving employees tuition discounts. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

After convening in open session, Board President Flores called the board into executive session at 7:55 p.m. in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551.074 to consider personnel matters.

Upon returning to open session at 9:45 p.m.:

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Anita Shackelford to approve the President's contract for \$112, 000 for one year and provide the house on Garner Field Road. Motion carried 5 yays and 1 nay.

A motion was made by Maria Elena Lara and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to hire Karen Quiroz as English faculty in Uvalde. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to approve the 2013 – 2014 Operating Budget as presented by administration with a 3% pay increase to all employees making 30K or less and step and increments or equivalent of 1.5% to all others. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to authorize architects and financial advisors to develop preliminary feasibility plans for the Eagle Pass Campus expansion. Motion carried unanimously.

Accountability Report was given by Richard (Dick) Whipple.

Quarterly Investment Report

CCATT 2013 Annual Conference Report was presented in the President's Report.

Del Rio Project Report was presented by Thomas Ferrell.

Criminal Justice Technical Program report was given by Jesus R. Suarez.

Suggestion made by Tony T. Moreno to end meetings in honor of faculty and employees that we have lost. Today's meeting was closed in memory of Joe Garza.

With no further business or action items to discuss, Anita Shackelford made the motion to adjourn. Maria Elena Lara seconded the motion. Motion carried at 9:57 p.m.

Rodolfo R. Flores, President of the Board

Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board

Dr. Ismael Sosa, Jr., Witness