

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

August 20, 2015

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas Junior College met in regular session August 20, 2015 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. Hector Gonzales, President of the College.

The minutes of the regular meeting for July 16, 2015 were read and approved with corrections as presented by Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary.

Board President Flores welcomed guests at the meeting which included college personnel Dr. Mark Underwood, Wade Carpenter, Ismael Martinez, Jesus J. Martinez, Jr., Margot Mata, Joe Barker and Gilbert Bermea. Also present was Thomas Ferrell from Ferrell Brown and Associates, Inc., Dr. Paul Sorrels from SRSU-RGC, Eric Ede from Ede & Company, LLC, special guest Sarah Morales and from the Uvalde Leader News was Kim Eagle.

Audience to Patrons – none

Eagle Pass Project update presented by Thomas Ferrell.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve all Eagle Pass Construction Project change orders. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB-68) report presented by Eric Ede.

QEP update presented by Dr. Mark Underwood.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to approve the financial statement as of July 31, 2015 as presented by Dr. Hector Gonzales, President of SWTJC. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

President's Report presented by Dr. Hector Gonzales. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to accept the certified tax roll values subject to properties under protest. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Anita Shackelford to place on the agenda of a future meeting, a proposal to adopt a tax rate of \$0.13 per \$100 valuation as an action item. Motion passed. Record vote was taken - all present voting – For - 7 (Rodolfo R. Flores, Dr. Harry O. Watkins, Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Victor Lopez, Maria Elena Lara, Anita Shackelford and Tony T. Moreno) Nay – 0. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Maria Elena Lara and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to schedule two public hearings on the proposed tax rate. The first will be scheduled for September 3, 2015 and the second one for September 10, 2015. Both hearings will be scheduled to start at 12:00 p.m.

After convening in open session, Board President Flores called the Board into executive session at 8:05 p.m. to consider:

A. Employees: Terminated/Resigned/Retired/New Hires/Transfers

Upon returning to open session at 8:40 p.m.:

Today's meeting was closed in memory of Josie Verjan, Natividad Gonzales, and Dr. George Ellis.

With no further business or action items to discuss, Anita Shackelford made the motion to adjourn. Dr. Harry O. Watkins seconded the motion. Motion carried at 8:41 p.m.

Rodolfo R. Flores, President of the Board

Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board

Dr. Hector Gonzales, Witness