

COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2015

The Collin County Community College District (“Collin College,” “Collin” or “District”) conducted its regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting on March 6, 2015, in the Board Room, Room 139, Collin Higher Education Center, with Chairman Mac Hendricks presiding. Trustees in attendance were Ms. Stacy Anne Arias, Dr. J. Robert Collins, Mr. Steve Cone, Mr. Andy Hardin, Ms. Jenny McCall, Mr. Adrian Rodriguez, Mr. Larry Wainwright, and Ms. Nancy Wurzman. Other attendees included Interim District President Colleen A. Smith, Collin College administrators, faculty, students, staff, community members, and media and vendor representatives.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hendricks called the March 6, 2015, meeting of the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District to order at 12:06 p.m. The Board met at the Collin Higher Education Center, 3452 Spur 399, McKinney, Texas 75069. Inclement weather had required that the meeting be reposted and/or rescheduled. The meeting was originally posted for February 24, 2015, rescheduled to February 27, reposted for March 5, and rescheduled for March 6, 2015. In accordance with Texas Government Code 551.0411(b), meetings that were posted, canceled and rescheduled within 72 hours did not require reposting.

ADJOURNMENT TO COMMITTEE MEETING

At 12:07 p.m., Chairman Hendricks adjourned the meeting so that a meeting of the Campus Facilities and Construction Committee could take place in the President’s Conference Room 407.

RECONVENE

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees reconvened at 1:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED OR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Hendricks recessed the meeting to closed session at 1:21 p.m. in Room 135, Board Conference Room, as authorized by Article 551.001, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 Consultations with Attorney – to consult with the District’s attorney, in person or by phone, to seek the advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; Section 551.074: Personnel – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: 1) Deliberation regarding the contract for employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President and 2) Consultation with the board attorney regarding the contract for employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President; and Section 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property.

OPEN SESSION

Chairman Hendricks reconvened the meeting at 3:14 p.m. in Room 139 and welcomed those in attendance. Chairman Hendricks called on Shirley Harmon, Executive Assistant to the District President/Secretary to the Board of Trustees, to certify posting of the notice of the meeting.

CERTIFICATION OF THE NOTICE OF THE MARCH 6, 2015, MEETING OF THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ms. Shirley Harmon certified the notice of the March 6, 2015, Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees meeting was posted according to Article 551.001 of the Texas Government Code.

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Hendricks led the pledges of allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETINGS OF THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On motion of Dr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Rodriguez, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the minutes of the following special called meetings:

- January 21, 2015, 10 a.m.
- January 21, 2015, 4 p.m.
- January 22, 2015, 10 a.m.
- January 22, 2015, 4 p.m.
- January 23, 2015
- January 24, 2015 10 a.m.
- January 24, 2015, 4 p.m.
- January 26, 2015
- February 5, 2015
- February 9, 2015
- February 17, 2015
- February 18, 2015

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2015, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On motion of Mr. Rodriguez, seconded by Ms. Wurzman, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the minutes of its January 27, 2015, regular meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2015, OF THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On motion of Mr. Wainwright, seconded by Ms. Wurzman, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the minutes of its February 28, 2015, special called meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were presented.

PRESENTATION

In the interest of time, the presentations that were scheduled were not presented. They will be presented at the March 24, 2015, regular meeting.

2015-3-1-1 Personnel Report for March 2015

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the following Personnel Report for March 2015.

Upon motion of Mr. Wainwright, seconded by Mr. Cone, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the Personnel Report for March 6, 2015 as presented.

2015-3-1-1a Staff Appointments

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the following staff appointments:

NAME	TITLE	DATE	DEPARTMENT	REASON
Stacey Bilich	Lab Assistant	01/28/15	Academic Affairs - STEM	Replacement Michael Winslow
Edgar S. Brown	Veteran Transition Specialist	01/26/15	Admissions and Records	New
Jan Clark	Accounting & Budget Associate	02/09/15	Finance Services & Reporting	Replacement Roxanne Jones
Joseph Guy	Student Conduct Officer	02/16/15	Dean of Students Office	New
Anna Kessenich	Assistant Director, Student Life	02/03/15	Student Life	Replacement Lynda Gates
Salma Mirza	Research Analyst	02/02/15	Institutional Research	Replacement Tekalign Gelan
Ashfia Naheed	Manager, Accounting & Finance Services Information Systems	03/02/15	Finance Services & Reporting	Replacement Douglas Dodd
Achie Turner	Operator/Maintenance Technician	2/11/2015	Facility Plant Operations	Replacement Federico Moreno

2015-3-1-1b Promotions/Laterals/Changes

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the following promotions/laterals/changes:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Cathleen Rangel	N: Retention Recruiter Nursing O: Degree Plan Coordinator	02/16/15	N: Nursing, CPC O: Academic Advising Admissions & Records, PRC	Lateral / New

2015-3-1-1c Terminations/Resignations

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the following resignations/terminations:

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>LAST DAY</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
Kathy Gutierrez	02/20/15	2	Student Development Specialist	Student Development
Charlene Johnson	01/26/15	8	Administrative Assistant	Health Sciences
Jennifer McGarvey	02/12/15	5	Web Communications Editor CTC Grant	Emerging Technology Grants & Contracts
Dixil Rodriguez	02/06/15	1	Professor, English	Communication & Humanities
Elizabeth (Betty) Siber	07/31/15	19	Professor, Art	Fine Arts
Georgia Tucker	02/16/15	<1	Accounts Payable Assistant II	Financial Services
Susan Strickland	1/30/15	<1	Police Communications Operator	Police Department
Thomas Yanniello	02/06/15	4	Police Officer	Police Department

Interim District President Smith acknowledged the retirement of Betty Siber after 19 years with the District. She said Betty was a leader in online classes, articulation agreements for students for successful transfer, and in serving as gallery director. Dr. Smith said she appreciated all of Ms. Siber's contributions and that she will be missed.

2015-3-1-2 Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President.

Chairman Hendricks made a recommendation to approve the employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President. Dr. Collins moved that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District accept the recommendation from the Chair. Ms. McCall seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous vote.

2015-3-1-3 Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Contract for Employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the contract for the employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President.

Chairman Hendricks said the board had not had time to complete the contract, but should be finished soon.

On motion of Dr. Collins, second of Ms. Arias, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District tabled action on the approval of the contract for employment of Dr. H. Neil Matkin as Collin College District President.

2015-3-1-4 Approval of a Resolution (English and Spanish versions) Ordering a General Election for the Purpose of Electing Three Members of the Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees Places 7, 8 and 9

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves a resolution (English and Spanish versions) ordering a general election on May 9, 2015, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District in Trustee Places 7, 8 and 9; defining voting precinct boundaries as the same as defined by the Independent School Districts; designating location of polling places; providing for early voting; setting a time for canvassing of election returns; authorizing publication of this resolution; and stating other items necessary to the election process.

On motion of Mr. Wainwright, second of Mr. Cone, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved a resolution (English and Spanish versions) ordering a general election on May 9, 2015, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District in Trustee Places 7, 8 and 9; defining voting precinct boundaries as the same as defined by the Independent School Districts; designating location of polling places; providing for early voting; setting a time for canvassing of election returns; authorizing publication of this resolution; and stating other items necessary to the election process.

2015-3-1-5 Approval of the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Academic Dates

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Academic Dates.

On motion of Mr. Rodriguez, seconded by Ms. McCall, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Academic Dates.

2015-3-1-6 Approval of Agreement with City of Frisco and Superdrome Management Group, Inc. Regarding the Frisco Superdrome

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the agreement between Collin County Community College District, the City of Frisco, and Superdrome Management Group, Inc. regarding the Frisco Superdrome.

On motion of Dr. Collins, second of Mr. Wainwright, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the agreement between Collin County Community College District, the City of Frisco, and Superdrome Management Group, Inc. regarding the Frisco Superdrome with the stipulation that the city and management group be informed that this could be the last agreement for the Frisco Superdrome.

Chairman Hendricks said a study would be done before the agreement comes up for renewal in a couple of years.

2015-3-1-7 Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the City of McKinney for the Construction and Use of a Public Safety Training Facility

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the Interlocal Agreement with the City of McKinney for the construction and use of a Public Safety Training Facility.

Dr. Collins, Chair of the Campus Facilities and Construction Committee, said the committee had met earlier in the day to discuss the proposed contract with the City of McKinney.

On motion of Dr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Hardin, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously agreed to table consideration of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of McKinney for the construction and use of a Public Safety Training Facility until the March 24 meeting.

2015-3-1-8 Approval of Change Order 1 with Pogue Construction for the Health Sciences Facility and Conference Center at the Central Park Campus

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approve Change Order 1 – Pogue Construction, Central Park Campus, for the Health Science Facility and Conference Center in the amount of \$345,722.

On motion of Ms. Arias, second of Mr. Rodriguez, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves Change Order 1 – Pogue Construction, Central Park Campus, for the Health Science Facility and Conference Center in the amount of \$345,722 as follows:

Original GMP	\$43,818,503
Plus Change Orders	
• Add 2" Make up water line from Central Plant to cooling tower	19,124
• Plumbing scope	15,623
• Revised flush valves	19,235
• 8" chilled water line in lieu of 6"	15,652
• Added steel for canopy roof	15,946
• Piers in lieu of spread footing at Mechanical Yard	71,687
• Relocate pumps and VFD's from Central Plant to Mechanical Yard	23,444
• Medical Headwall Assembly	160,970
• Second floor concrete pour gridlines A-K	<u>4,041</u>
Total Change Order	345,722

2015-3-1-9 Approval of Private Offers on Struck-Off Properties

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the private offers for struck off properties as presented.

On motion of Mr. Wainwright, seconded by Dr. Collins, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approved the private offers for struck off properties on a vote of eight (8) for and one (1) recusal. Trustee McCall recused herself from the vote.

Properties include:

City of Josephine offers \$300 for Lot 20, Reece, an addition to the City of Josephine
Earl Holloway offers \$33,900 for Lots 49 & 50 of the Windmill Estates Addition

2015-3-1-10 Approval of Expenditure Reports for January 2015

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the Expenditure Reports for January 2015.

On motion of Ms. Wurzman, second of Mr. Rodriguez, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the Expenditure Reports for January 2015 totaling \$5,681,582.85.

Trustee Hardin acknowledged Vice President Ralph Hall and said he really appreciated the effort in providing justification for expenditures.

2015-3-1-13 Approval of Bid Report for March 2015

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Interim District President, that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves the Bid Report for February 2015.

On motion of Ms. Wurzman, second of Mr. Rodriguez, the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District unanimously approved the Bid Report for February 2015.

BID #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NEW SOLICITATIONS		
3756	ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS Authentic Promotions.com Carmichael, CA Positive Promotions, Inc. Hauppauge, NY Logotology Richardson, TX You Name It Specialties San Antonio, TX	\$250,000.00 (3 year total not to exceed)
3768	ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR PRINTING OF CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF CLASSES Midway Press Dallas, TX	\$375,000.00 (3 year total not to exceed) (\$125,000.00 estimated annual total)
3779	ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TEMPORARY PERSONNEL SERVICES Temps of McKinney (Primary) McKinney, TX Ad-A-Staff (Secondary) Mansfield, TX	\$3,325,000.00 (42 month total not to exceed) (\$950,000.00 estimated annual total)
3793	ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINERS, INC	\$110,000.00 (not to exceed)

	Association of Certified Fraud Examiners Inc. Austin, TX	
3799	CERTIFICATION FOR ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING SPECIALIST	\$69,000.00 (not to exceed)
	Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists Miami, FL	
2691	CONTRACT RENEWALS ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF CISCO EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	\$750,000.00 (not to exceed)
	Flair Data Systems, Inc. Dallas, TX	
	TFE Connect Lewisville, TX	
	GovConnection Merrimack, NH	
2777	APPLE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE	\$250,000.00 (not to exceed)
	Apple Computer Austin, TX	
3585	ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$45,000.00 (not to exceed)
	ARTA Travel Plano, TX	

INFORMATION REPORTS

Ralph Hall, District Vice President of Administrative Services/CFO presented the following information reports:

Budget Status Report as of 01/31/15

For the month ending January 31, 2015, revenue exceeded expenditures by \$17,062,827. Year-to-date revenue exceeded expenditures by \$35,220,489. Mr. Hall said revenue and expenditures are on track for this time of year.

In answer to Chairman Hendricks' question, Mr. Hall said the tax collections are typical and that there should be additional receipts in February. In answer to Ms. Wurzman's question, Mr. Hall said he did not know of any financial impact caused by closing the college due to inclement weather.

Investment Schedule as of January 31, 2015

Investments for the month of January totaled cost of \$281,225,479. TexPool and TexStar paid 0.05%. Mr. Hall said the college also had investments in several agencies paying from .05% to .13%.

INTERIM DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S AND BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comments on: Workshops, Seminars, and Conferences taking place at the College; Awards Received; Accomplishments, Appointments at the Local, State, and National Level; Published Articles and Newspaper Reports; College Reports/Metrics and Upcoming Events.

Interim District President Smith announced the following:

1. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has selected Collin College among the 240 U.S. colleges and universities to receive its 2015 Community Engagement Classification.
2. Collin College's Center for Workforce and Economic Development in Continuing Education has recently received two Texas Workforce Commission Skills Development Fund Grants totaling \$365,183. The first grant is for advanced manufacturing that is dedicated to train up to 68 veterans in courses including blue print reading for machine parts, CNC Programming and Introduction to 3-D Modeling. The second grant is to train 103 employees at MoneyGram in Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist training as well as other courses designed to help employees detect fraudulent activity. These initiatives were led by Director Natalie Greenwell, and Associate Vice President Steve Hardy.
3. *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries Magazine* has named "The Texas Right: The Radical Roots of Lone Star Conservatism," edited by Dr. David Cullen and Dr. Kyle Wilkison, with contributions by Dr. Sam Tullock, Dr. Michael Phillips, Dr. Keith Volanto along with Drs. Cullen and Wilkison, as an Outstanding Academic Title for 2014. Congratulations to all five professors on this outstanding and prestigious award.
4. The Museum of Fine Arts in Houston has purchased two photographs from Discipline Lead and Professor of Photography Elizabeth Mellott. Her work is now archived in the museum's permanent collection nestled somewhere between Matisse and Monet.
5. Collin graduate Alex Williams was featured in the October 2014 issue of *Plano Profile*, where he gives credit for much of his success to Lisa Roy-Davis, Professor of English at the Spring Creek Campus. He is currently a doctoral student at the University of Pennsylvania Annenberg School for Communication. Alex was one of only 11 students selected from more than 1,300 applications to spend the summer of 2014 working through a Google Journalism Fellowship with an assignment to the Pew Research Center. In crediting Dr. Roy-Davis' mentorship as the catalyst for his pursuit of research and academia, Williams says it is his goal to work as a professor and do the same thing – teach, mentor and guide students so they can reach potential they may not know exists.
6. Student Bryanna Standberry was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship by Bob and Joy Darling at the recent Boys & Girls Clubs Chrysalis Ball. Bryanna, President of the Keystone Club and Youth of the Year for Collin County, has been a member of the Boys & Girls Club since second grade. She plans to transfer to the University of North Texas to major in kinesiology.

7. Dr. Terry Hockenbrough, Director of the Center for Scholarly and Civic Engagement, recently completed the Center for Nonprofit Management's Outcomes-Based Program Evaluation Certification.
8. Dr. Carl Hasler, Professor of Philosophy and Academic Chair of Humanities/Philosophy, has published a book review in the January/February 2015 issue of the *Saint Augustine Review*. Professor Hasler reviewed John Horvat's *Return to Order: From a Frenzied Economy to an Organic Christian Society*, a 2013 York Press publication.
9. Professor English Lisa Kirby was the keynote speaker at Texas Christian University's Winifred Bryan Horner Speaker Series on January 21. Dr. Kirby discussed her research in Working-Class Studies and her incorporation of related issues in her classes.
10. February was African American History Month. Events were held at each campus throughout the month in celebration of "A Century of Black Life, History, and Culture." Activities included lectures, panel discussions, film screenings, performances, poetry reading, and much more. The month concluded with the popular Soul Food Luncheon at the Central Park Campus Conference Center. Thank you to Professor Cathy Donald-Whitney and everyone who helped make this a month of wonderful learning activities.
11. Singers from Professor Kathy Morgan's Chamber Choir were accepted and went on to participate in the 90-voice Honor Choir at the Texas Music Educators Association conference in San Antonio. In addition, several of Collin's instrumental jazz students auditioned in October for an All-State ensemble, and one was selected for the 18-piece group. Thank you to Dr. Mary McRae, Gaye Cooksey, Professors Kathy Morgan (Choral Studies) and Kevin McNerney (Instrumental Jazz Studies).
12. This summer Dulce DeCastro, Professor of Russian and Spanish, will present "Speaking in Two Voices: The Pedagogical Potential of Bilingual Poems" at the 2015 American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado.
13. The second Annual Hospitality and Culinary Career Fair scheduled on February 24 at the Preston Ridge Campus Conference Center was postponed due to weather. More than 25 hotels, restaurants, companies and universities were scheduled to participate in the job fair hosted for our hospitality and culinary education students and others interested in a career in those fields. Much planning still went into the event; thank you to Dr. Brenda Kihl, Bill Blitt, Karen Musa and the faculty and staff who were involved in the planning.
14. Lit Fest Press will publish Professor of English Joan Reese's most recent collection of poetry entitled *Night Chorus* in March 2015.
15. Collin's Mock Trial Team competed at the University of Texas at Dallas Regional Tournament. Student Aarika Novelli received the second place award for witness out of 72 competitors and our former student, Bakhtawar Khan, who transferred to UTD two years ago, finished in first place as top attorney. We appreciate and congratulate all the members of our Mock Trial Team, Dr. Mary McRae, Dr. Bob Franklin and the advisors and faculty involved with the program.

16. Professor of English Sean Ferrier-Watson will present “Haunting Suburbia: Consumption, Consumerism, and Identify Crisis in R. L. Stine’s Goosebumps” at the 42nd Annual Children’s Literature Association Conference scheduled for June in Richmond, Virginia.
17. The Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists has awarded student Uzma Rashid with its 2015 Andrea Patterson Memorial Scholarship. The \$2,500 award is given to only one student nationwide. Congratulations to Uzma, Program Coordinator Amber Allen, Dean Abe Johnson and Vice President/Provost Sherry Schumann.
18. The Women’s Basketball Team has reached a milestone; the team clinched the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference (NTJCAC) title. This is the first time in the history of the program that the Women’s team has won the conference. Congratulations to the members of the team, Vice President/Provost (and Athletic Director) Sherry Schumann, Coach Jeff Adams and his staff.
19. Congratulations to District President Emeritus Cary Israel on being named the recipient of Phi Theta Kappa’s Michael Bennett Lifetime Achievement award. The award is given to retiring college presidents, campus chief executive officers and state community college directors based on outstanding support provided to Phi Theta Kappa over many years.
20. Professor of English Rachel Tudor will present “Discourse and Performance: A Native American Analysis of Gender Oppression in Texts, Theory, and Teaching” at the 47th Annual Comparative Literature Symposium at Texas Tech University in April.
21. Destination College hosted over 400 parents at the tenth annual Parent Workshop on January 29. Keynote speakers included nationally renowned author of Princeton Review’s “Best Colleges” guide, Rob Franek and our own Arianna Gray. Thank you to Vice President Barbara Money, Dr. Alicia Huppe, Brooke Ingersoll and LeAnne Person for hosting this popular event that provides parents with a wealth of information and resources in planning for college.
22. In late February, Cris Nunn, Associate Professor of American Sign Language, facilitated the workshop “Skills Development English to ASL” at the Jean Massieu Academy in Arlington, Texas.
23. The Collin College Robotics Club served as a sponsor of the 2015 Explore Engineering Day at UT-Dallas to celebrate National Engineer’s Week. The club members carried out demonstrations and presentations that highlighted the activities that robotic devices can accomplish, and they had an opportunity to participate in a number of activities put on by major corporations in the region to highlight the importance of engineering in the modern world. We appreciate our students and the Club’s advisors Tom Mobley, Dr. Greg Sherman and Dave Galley.
24. Collin College’s Student Veterans of America (SVA) completed the massive project Operation Give Back to help re-home 22 newly placed homeless veterans. SVA partnered with Honor Courage and Commitment, North Texas Military Association (NTXMA) and Operation Once in a Lifetime. They delivered two full trailers of small appliances, sheets, blankets, dishes, utensils, shower curtains, pillows, and groceries. A big thank you goes to Professor Meredith Martin for serving as the faculty advisor to SVA and to Dean Wendy Gunderson for her support.

25. The American Hotel & Lodging Educational Foundation approved Collin College for affiliation in the Annual Scholarship Grant Program. Of the 84 schools that were participating in the program last year, 69 were approved for continued participation and Collin College was one of two new schools added this year. As an affiliate, Collin College will receive annual scholarship grant monies as well as an opportunity to nominate a student to compete in the Arthur J. Packard Memorial Scholarship Competition. For 2015, Collin received \$3,000 to award as scholarships to students in the Culinary or Hospitality programs. Thanks go to Professor Karen Musa for spearheading the affiliation process.
26. Dave Galley was appointed to serve on the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board committee to review the curriculum for the Engineering Field-of-Study certificate and will serve as the Committee Co-Chair from a two-year institution.
27. Presentations and book signings took place this week when Blaine Harden, author of this year's book in common, *Escape from Camp 14: One Man's Remarkable Odyssey from North Korea to Freedom in the West*, visited Preston Ridge and Spring Creek Campuses. We appreciate our Book in Common Faculty Committee members: Betty Bettacchi, Delores Zumwalt, Lisa Kirby, Catie Brooks, and Charlene Green for their work on this initiative.
28. The Auteur Film Series will feature the film *Au Revoir Les Enfants* (Goodbye, Children) on March 19 at 7 p.m. in the Living Legends Conference Center at the Spring Creek Campus.

The Board announced the following:

Trustee Wurzman thanked everyone for the long hours and many meetings as the board completed the presidential search. She said she believes the board made a great choice for the college in picking Dr. Matkin as District President.

Trustee Collins thanked Kim Davison and Norma Allen for their work in the presidential search.

Trustee McCall echoed Dr. Collin's comments.

Trustee Rodriguez congratulated everyone and gave his appreciation for all the efforts by the administrators and staff. He said he had attended Community College Day and Collin County Days in Austin and was impressed by our former student Joel Mason who spoke on behalf of the statewide Student Government Association. Many Collin students attended Community College Day.

Trustee Arias echoed the comments by other board members. She said it is quite a journey to replace someone like Dr. Israel who left such a legacy. She said she looks forward to working with Dr. Matkin.

Trustee Cone agreed with the comments of the board members in thanking everyone for their work. He reminded all that the legislature is in session and said many trustees had attended Community College Day and Collin County Days in Austin.

Chairman Hendricks said the trustees made seven visits to five legislators during Collin County Days and that he feels encouraged about our legislation being in the mill to receive approval to offer baccalaureate degrees in nursing, respiratory, and cybersecurity. He said there is always a stumbling block, but it will be identified. Commenting on the earlier question about the cost when the college is closed for bad weather, he asked how class time is made up. Interim District President Smith responded that the college is not required to make up the time as the school districts are and that professors are asked to use a variety of ways to insure that students get the instruction they need.

Chairman Hendricks added that the board and staff could take a lot of credit on where they have gotten to from when they started. He said he looked forward to great things to come and to Dr. Matkin starting at Collin in the early part of April.

Chairman Hendricks reminded everyone to be safe on the roads during spring break.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Hendricks adjourned the March 6, 2015, meeting of the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District at 4:07 p.m.