

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE**

February 21, 2013

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas Junior College met in regular session February 21, 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 January 17, 2013 board 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 Joe Barker, Dr. Hector Gonzales, Dr. Blaine Bennett, Anne Tarski, Gilbert S. Bermea, Romelia Aranda, Dick Whipple, Oscar S. Garcia, Barbara Blair, Wade Carpenter, Willie Edwards, Jesus Martinez, Margot Mata, Michelle Torres, and Ismael Martinez. Also present was Thomas Ferrell from Ferrell/Brown Architects and Anthony Mills from Schneider Electric.

Audience to Patrons - None

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Victor Lopez to approve the financial statement for month ended January 31, 2013 as presented by Anne Tarski, Vice-President of Finance. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Tony T. Moreno to authorize President-Elect Dr. Hector Gonzales to approve change orders up to 1% of project cost related to the Del Rio construction project. Motion carried unanimously.

Del Rio Project update was given by Tom Ferrell from Ferrell/Brown - Architects.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Tony T. Moreno to approve the change order for Schneider Electric. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

After convening in open session, Board President Flores called the board into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to consider:

The contracts of Dr. Hector Gonzales - President-Elect; Joe Barker - Vice-President of Administrative Services; Dr. Blaine Bennett, Vice-President of Student Services, Anne Tarski - Vice-President of Finance, and Dr. Mark Underwood - Vice-President of Academic Affairs.

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

Upon returning to open session at 8:45 p.m.:

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to extend the contract for President-Elect Dr. Hector Gonzales through August 31, 2016, as recommended by President Ismael Sosa, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to extend the Vice-President's contracts for Dr. Blaine Bennett, Anne Tarski, and Dr. Mark Underwood through August 31, 2016 as recommended by the Administration. Joe Barker has requested not to have his contract renewed as he plans to retire at the end of his contract in 2015. Motion carried, with 1 Nay.

Reports:

1) Workforce Training & Development Update was given by Dean of Workforce Training, Romelia Aranda.

2) Dual Credit Update was given by Associate Vice-President of Outreach, Margot Mata.

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 9:15 p.m.

Rodolfo R. Flores, President of the Board

Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board

Dr. Ismael Sosa, Jr., Witness