

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP  
GALVESTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**4015 Avenue Q  
Galveston, Texas 77550  
Room M-202 – Moody Hall  
November 12, 2025  
4:30 p.m.**

At the Galveston Community College District Board of Regents Committee of the Whole Workshop, duly held on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, in Room M-202, of Moody Hall, located at 4015 Avenue Q, commencing at 4:30 p.m., the following Regents were present: Ms. Karen F. Flowers, Chairperson, Mr. Armin Cantini, Dr. Norman Hoffman, Mr. Michael B. Hughes, Mr. Raymond Lewis, Jr. (attended virtually), Ms. Mary Longoria, Mr. Fred Raschke, and Ms. Carolyn Sunseri. Mr. Garrik Addison was excused.

Staff present included Dr. W. Myles Shelton, President, and Ms. Debbie Mann.

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Flowers opened the meeting at 4:33 p.m. in Room M-202, and determined a quorum was present.
- II. CERTIFICATION OF POSTING NOTICE OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP:** Dr. Shelton confirmed that the notice of the Committee of the Whole Workshop had been properly posted on November 6, 2025.
- III. CITIZENS DESIRING TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** There were no citizens desiring to appear before the Board.
- IV. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PRESIDENT SEARCH TIMELINE AND SEARCH PLAN:** Ms. Karen Flowers, Board Chair, presented this item to the Committee. The Committee was provided a draft of the Search Timeline and Plan in their materials. Dr. Shelton added that the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting date, to approve the Presidential Profile, is in conflict with the THECB Conference that several of the Board members will be attending. He recommended moving that meeting to December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. General Discussion was had on the search timeline and plan and the process for the Search Committee. Dr. Shelton also added that the timeline is tentative and can be adjusted as the Search Committee, and the Board moves through the process.

Ms. Sunseri moved to recommend approval of the Tentative President Search Timeline and Search Plan including the change of the Called Meeting of the Board from December 10<sup>th</sup> to December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.; Ms. Longoria seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- V. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO THE PRESIDENT SEARCH COMMITTEE:** Ms. Flowers presented this item to the committee. She thanked everyone that sent her names of community leaders. She put the names into a list and in categories, to make sure that the different areas of the community were represented. She contacted the individuals to see if they would be willing to serve, and they all agreed. She distributed a list to the Committee for their review. Discussion was had about adding a student representative to the Committee after it is formed, and possibly having that

recommendation come from faculty. Discussion was also had on how many people total should serve on the Committee. Dr. Shelton added that the Faculty Senate Officers provided the recommendations for the Faculty members, and they did a good job of trying to find representation from across the different areas of the college.

Ms. Sunseri shared that she received a message from Ms. Kelly Raines, Athletic Director, stating that she would like to serve on the Search Committee. Mr. Lewis suggested that a student representative be added to the Search Committee at the beginning of the process and he recommended adding the President of the Student Government Association (SGA). Discussion followed regarding appointing both a student representative and possibly Ms. Raines to represent College Athletics on the Search Committee.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ROOM M-202: THE COMMITTEE, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551, RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROVISION OF THE ACT: SECTION 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS: TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE.**

The Committee did not adjourn to closed session.

**VII. RECONVENE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP (OPEN MEETING) IN ROOM M-202:**

The Committee did not adjourn to closed session.

**VIII. DETERMINE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS REGARDING PRESIDENT SEARCH TIMELINE AND SEARCH PLAN:**  
See agenda item IV. The committee made their motion immediately following discussion.

**IX. DETERMINE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PRESIDENT SEARCH COMMITTEE:**

Ms. Longoria moved to recommend appointment of the Student Government Association (SGA) President, Ms. Marianna Hernandez Lima, to the President Search Committee, and added that if the SGA President is unable to serve, another student will be appointed; Mr. Cantini seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Raschke moved to appoint Kelly Raines, Athletic Director, to the President Search Committee; Mr. Cantini seconded.

Discussion was had about the recommendation, and if the employee's reporting structure could cause a conflict.

The motion passed 6-3. (Ms. Flowers, Dr. Hoffman, and Mr. Addison dissented)

Mr. Raschke added that the Chair of the Search Committee should let members know that if they have a conflict of interest with a candidate that they should abstain from voting.

Mr. Raschke moved to recommend appointment of the following individuals to the President Search Committee:

**Galveston College Board Members:**

Carolyn Sunseri, Chair

Fred Rasche

Raymond Lewis

**Community Members:**

Vic Pierson – Moody Bank

Keith Basset- Basset Family Business, GEDP and Chamber, Sealy-Smith Foundation

Samatha Seale Miro-UTMB/SON

Dr. Vivian Hernandez-GISD

Alan Matthews – Retired from Moody Foundation, Former GC Assistant BB Coach

**Faculty and Staff:**

Tyree Bearden – Electronics, Faculty Senate President

Don Davison- Business, Faculty Senate Vice President

Daniel Fink- Radiology, Division Director for Health Science Programs

**Retired Faculty:**

Dr. Larry Blomstedt-Retired GC History Professor, Author

**Staff:**

Amanda Lozano – Student Advisor, BBS

Kelly Raines- Athletic Director

**Student:**

SGA President Ms. Mariana Hernandez Lima, or if they are unable to serve, another student will be appointed

Dr. Hoffman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Committee of the Whole Workshop, the meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

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Breanne Lorefice, Clerk

APPROVED AS CORRECT:

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Karen F. Flowers, Chairperson