

**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
August 13, 2025
5:00 p.m.**

At the Galveston Community College District Board of Regents Committee of the Whole Workshop, duly held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, in Room M-202, of Moody Hall, located at 4015 Avenue Q, commencing at 5:00 p.m., the following Regents were present: Ms. Karen F. Flowers, Chairperson, Mr. Garrik Addison, Mr. Armin Cantini, Dr. Norman Hoffman (arrived at 5:09), Mr. Michael B. Hughes, Mr. Raymond Lewis, Jr., Ms. Mary Longoria, Mr. Fred Raschke, and Ms. Carolyn Sunseri.

Staff present included Dr. W. Myles Shelton, President, Dr. Conrad Breitbach, Ms. Breanne Lorefice and Dr. Van Patterson.

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Flowers opened the meeting at 5:00 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 August 13, 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. DISCUSSION OF CAMPUS SECURITY PROPOSAL(S):** Dr. Shelton presented this item to the Committee. The College's contract with the Sheriff's Office expires September 30th. He gave an overview of what is currently budgeted for security services. The College went out for an RFP and GISD Police Department presented a proposal for \$436,920 for a year, with a start up cost of \$102,000, GISD is concerned that they could not be up and running until December. Emperian Security, and OPS Inc. Security Services also submitted proposals. The references for Emperian did not check out. Dr. Shelton added that he would ask that the College be authorized to negotiate with GISD, and if the Committee approved, they would come back with a contract next month.

It was discussed that the vehicles utilized would have both the College logo and GISD's logo. Some discussion was had on the difference in budget between GISD and the Sheriff's Office, and the coverage of security services throughout the week. Certified Officers are used during school hours. Unarmed security is used on the weekends. Discussion on the cost of the security services was had. Dr. Shelton added that the GISD police offices will be located at Ball High School where the current kitchen and cafeteria are now, once the students are moved to the new building.

Discussion continued on how the RFP was worded, and if the GISD Board had approved it. It was discussed that if a contract is negotiated, it would have to be approved by the GISD Board.

- V. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ROOM M-202: THE BOARD OF REGENTS, 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 551.076 – DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES OR SECURITY AUDITS: THE DEPLOYMENT, OR SPECIFIC OCCASIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION, OF SECURITY PERSONNEL OR DEVICES; OR A SECURITY AUDIT:** The Committee adjourned to closed session in room M-202 at 5:10 p.m.
- VI. RECONVENE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP (OPEN MEETING) IN ROOM M-202:** The Committee reconvened the Committee of the Whole (Open Meeting) in room M-202 at 5:21 p.m.
- VII. DETERMINE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR POLICE SERVICES:** Mr. Raschke moved to allow the President to negotiate a contract with GISD Police Department and bring a contract back to the Board for approval; Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- VIII. DETERMINE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM OPS INC SECURITY SERVICE:** Dr. Shelton recommended that the committee recommend OPS Inc., Security Services as a backup contractor for security services. They are available to the College on the buy board contract.
- Ms. Sunseri moved to allow the President to negotiate a contract with OPS Inc. Security Service for security services as needed, over the course of the next year, and authorize the College President to sign all documents; Ms. Longoria seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Committee of the Whole, the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Breanne Lorefice, Clerk

APPROVED AS CORRECT:

Karen F. Flowers, Chairperson