

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

August 15, 2013

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas Junior College met in regular session August 15, 2013 in the Bluebonnet Room of the Matthews Student Center. The Board President, Rodolfo R. Flores, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Board members present were:

Rodolfo R. Flores, President  
Dr. Harry O. Watkins, Vice-President  
Maria Elena Lara  
Victor Lopez  
Tony Moreno, and  
Anita Shackelford

Absent was Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board

Also present was Dr. Hector Gonzales, President of the College.

The minutes of the July 18, 2013 meeting were read and approved as presented by Anne Tarski, Vice-President of Finance.

Board President Flores welcomed guests at the meeting which included college personnel Dr. Hector Gonzales, Dr. Blaine Bennett, Dr. Mark Underwood, Anne Tarski, Johnny Guzman, Derek Sandoval, Dick Whipple, Margot Mata, Barbara Blair, Willie Edwards, Willie Garcia, Ismael Martinez, Wade Carpenter, Karen Baen, Barbara Compton, and Terri Tucker. Also in attendance was Thomas E. Ferrell of Ferrell / Brown & Associates, and from the Uvalde Leader News, Kim Eagle.

Audience to Patrons - none

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve the financial statement as of July 31, 2013 as presented by Anne Tarski, Vice-President of Finance. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

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

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

A motion was made by Dr. Harry O. Watkins 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 - 5 (Dr. Harry O. Watkins, Victor Lopez, Maria Elena Lara, Anita Shackelford and Tony T. Moreno) Nay - 0, Abstention - Dr. Antonio H. Rivera. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to schedule two public hearings on the proposed tax rate, the first one on Thursday, August 29, 2013 being held at noon; the second on Thursday, September 5, 2013 being held at 6:00 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Tony T. Moreno and seconded by Victor Lopez to approve the ORP matching rate. Motion carries unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to approve the resolution to participate in Texas Community College Corporative Purchasing Network. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Dr. Harry O. Watkins and seconded by Anita Shackelford to approve the Faculty Handbook changes. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Anita Shackelford to approve the Del Rio Construction Project change orders. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Tony T. Moreno to approve the changes to the Mission Statement. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

After convening in open session, Board President Flores called the board into executive session at 7:45 P.M. to consider personnel matters.

Upon returning to open session at 8:33 P.M.,

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to approve the salary adjustments as recommended by Administration. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Anita Shackelford to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Medina Valley I.S.D. with changes of 2 years instead of 5 years and with option at SWTJC's discretion. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Dr. Harry O. Watkins and seconded by Victor Lopez to authorize architects to develop a site plan for the Crystal City Center. Motion carried unanimously.

A report was presented by Tom E. Ferrell of Ferrell/Brown & Associates on the Del Rio Project.

A report was presented by Willie Garcia on the SWTJC Welding Program.

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 8:54 p.m.

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Rodolfo R. Flores, President of the Board

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Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary of the Board

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Dr. Hector Gonzales, Witness