

# President's Report February 2023

## Maintenance

Modular building – Still pending the electrical panels (back ordered)

The Witt building – Still pending the electrical panels (back ordered)

Chittim Upgrades – Bringing bids to the table for Board consideration.

Powerline Tech – We have relocated the Powerline Tech Lab area into the arena area in order to provide additional space.

Future Projects – We are evaluating sites for Truck Driving range to serve the Uvalde Campus, would like to construct a Maintenance Storage Building, and taking back several classrooms from Sul Ross Uvalde. These classrooms will be site for our Surgery Tech, classroom, lab and faculty offices.

## Legislative

I was in Austin on February 8<sup>th</sup> for a Senate Finance Committee hearing on our initial appropriations bill. The Committee was very receptive to the additional \$650 million in state appropriations across all 50 community colleges. While in Austin I met with Representative Morales and staff, Representative King's Chief of Staff and Senator Gutierrez Chief of Staff regarding our funding bill and more importantly our concern regarding Sul Ross' plans to downward expand.

The bill that will change the funding mechanism for community colleges is under review as soon as it is filed, we will begin to analyze it to see how the changes will impact our institution.

## Other

We have an agenda item to consider adjusting our tuition and fees effective beginning Fall 2023. In your Board packet there is additional information on the request.

## Upcoming Meeting/Events

2/16	Board Meeting
2/21	TACC Board Meeting
2/23	Conversation with Students – Uvalde
3/9	Grilling with the President
3/13-17	Spring Break