

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

May 17, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Texas Junior College met in regular session May 17, 2018 in the Matthews Student Center – Blue Bonnet Room. 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. Hector Gonzales, President of the College.

The minutes of the April 4, 2018 regular Board meeting were read and approved as presented by Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Secretary.

Audience to Patrons: None

Board President Flores recognized newly re-elected board members, Victor Lopez, Maria Elena Lara, and Anita Shackelford; who were all unopposed for Places 1, 2, and 3 for the college election scheduled for May 5, 2018 that was canceled due to no opposition. President of the Board Rodolfo R. Flores and Sandra Flores, Notary administered the Oath of Office to Victor Lopez, Maria Elena Lara, and Anita Shackelford.

Board President Flores welcomed guests at the meeting, which included college personnel Derek Sandoval, Margot Mata, Dr. Mark Underwood, Connie Buchanan, J.J. Suarez, Lisa Ermis, Ismael Martinez, Jesus Martinez, Sr., Johnny Castillo, Melissa Alejandro, Steve Martinez, Sandra Flores, Randa Faseler Schell, Eliza Diaz and Kirk M. Palermo. Also, in attendance Vidal Alonzo and from the Uvalde Leader News Jennifer Fry.

A motion was made by Tony T. Moreno and seconded by Victor Lopez to keep the organization of the Board of Trustees as is with Rodolfo R. Flores as President, Dr. Harry O. Watkins as Vice President and Dr. Antonio H. Rivera as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

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- a. Maintenance presented by Kirk Palermo
- b. AEL presented by Eliza Diaz

A.D.N. Director Search Status report presented by Dr. Mark Underwood

President's Report presented by Dr. Hector Gonzales.

Presenting of Years of Service Pins – Albert Alonzo, 15 years, Dr. Hector Gonzales, 20 years, Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, 20 years and Dr. Harry O. Watkins, 20 years.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve the financial statement as of April 30, 2018 as presented by Lisa Ermis, Controller. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Tony T. Moreno to approve the Room and Board rates for 2018 – 2019. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Victor Lopez and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve the 2018-2019 Catalog. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

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

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

A motion was made by Maria Elena Lara and seconded by Dr. Harry O. Watkins to approve the Natalia I.S.D. Early College High School MOU for 2018 – 2019. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

A motion was made by Anita Shackelford and seconded by Maria Elena Lara to add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 34 with no changes. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached.

The Board Self-Evaluations - Tabled until the Board of Trustees' June meeting

After convening in open session, Board President Flores called the Board into executive session at 8:35 p.m. to consider:

- A. Employees: Terminated/Resigned/Retired/New Hires/and Transfers [Tex.Gov't Code § 551.074]
- B. Discussion with Board attorney and possible action regarding lawsuit (Cause No. 2018-02-31989-CV) [Tex.Gov't Code §551.071]

At 9:32 p.m., the SWTJC Board reconvened in regular session.

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 9:33 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