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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

March 26, 2015

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on March 26, 2015, at 5:30 p.m., in the Gorgas Board Room at Texas Southmost College. Board members present were Francisco G. Rendon, Chair; Ed Rivera, Secretary; Adela G. Garza, Dr. Reynaldo García, and Art Rendon. Board members absent were Trey Mendez, Vice Chair and Ramon Champion Hinojosa. Also present was Dr. Lily F. Tercero, President of Texas Southmost College.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rendon at 5:33 p.m.

2. Speakers to Agenda Items and Public Discussion

There were no speakers.

3. Mission Statement

Chairman Rendon read the existing mission for Texas Southmost College District as follows:

“Transforming our communities through innovative learning opportunities”

4. Presentation on the Auto Body Repair Technology Program

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to present the item. Dr. Tercero introduced Mr. Jeffrey Gregor, Dean of Health Care, Career, and Technical Education. Mr. Gregor gave an overview of the Auto Body Repair Technology Program along with, Mr. Isidro Cedillo and Mr. Donald Wilt, faculty members. TSC students Mr. Oscar Duran and Mr. Joel Hernandez gave testimonials on the program. *Exhibit “A”*

5. President's Report

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to give the report. Dr. Tercero announced new staff members: Juan Castillo, Workforce Training & Continuing Education, Adjunct Instructor, GED (Granted-funded); Noe Rodriguez, Workforce Training & Continuing Education, Adjunct Instructor, Industrial Electrical Technology (Grant-funded); Ana de la Garza, Student Services, Director of Financial Aid; Vicenta Fernandez, Student Services, Director of Student Life; Imelda Martinez, Student Services, Academic Advisor; Ricardo Monsivais, Physical Plant & Facilities, HVAC Technician; Leticia Richardson, Physical Plant and Facilities, Administrative Assistant; and Antonia Saldivar, Office of Instruction, Director of Educational Technology & Curriculum Innovation.

Dr. Tercero announced that the Bougainvillea Ball will be held on April 25, 2015, from 7-11 p.m., at the Jacob Brown Auditorium. She stated this is a tradition that TSC has brought back. It is a student event and a King and Queen of the Bougainvillea Ball are voted by students and announced at this event.

Dr. Tercero stated TSC will be participating in the Pedal to Padre Event on Sunday, May 3. This will be the second year in row that TSC has participated in the event. Pedal to Padre is a 25-mile bicycle ride that begins at the Brownsville Event Center and ends at Schlitterbahn on South Padre Island. Proceeds from the Pedal to Padre event benefit the Cameron County Children's Advocacy Center. TSC will be placing information on the web page next week so that students, faculty, and staff can learn more about this community event.

Dr. Tercero was pleased to report that TSC received final confirmation that Mr. John Fallon, Chief Executive of Pearson Education, will be TSC's Commencement Speaker on May 16. She said Pearson is the world's leading learning company, with 40,000 employees in more than 80 countries. John Fallon, one of the most recognized and an influential voice in global education, joined Pearson in 1997 as Director of Communications and was appointed President of Pearson Inc. in 2000. In 2003, he was appointed CEO of Pearson's educational publishing businesses for Europe, the Middle East & Africa (EMA) and, in 2012, he was appointed as Chief Executive of Pearson Education. In March 2014, he delivered the closing keynote address at Microsoft's Global Learning Forum in Barcelona, Spain which is one of the largest global forums of education leaders, school leaders, and government officials. TSC is excited about his decision to join us at the upcoming commencement ceremony. More information will be shared in the coming weeks as details relating to the commencement ceremony are finalized.

6. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting February 16, 2015 and Regular Meeting of February 19, 2015

A motion was made by Mr. A. Rendon to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting February 16, 2015 and Regular Meeting of February 19, 2015 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rivera and carried unanimously.

7. Texas Southmost College Distinguished Alumnus Program

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to present the item. Dr. Tercero stated that the Distinguished Alumnus Program will be reestablished so that TSC can, once again, begin recognizing TSC alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally and through service to the College. She stated that a draft copy of the nomination form has been developed. Staff will obtain Board comments and finalize the form. *Exhibit "B"*

8. Report on Second Quarter Financial Statements and Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2015

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Chet Lewis, Vice President of Finance and Administration, to give the report. Mr. Lewis provided a brief report on the Second Quarter Financial Statements and Investment Report for FY 2015. Mr. Lewis stated that the reports are provided for informational purposes only, and no action is required by the Board. *Exhibit "C"*

9. Executive Session as provided by Government Code, Chapter 551.071.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:11 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 6:56 p.m.

10. Consideration and possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session

Consultation with Attorney on Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code.

No action was taken.

11. Proposed Meeting Dates

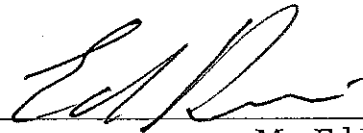
Thursday, March 26, 2015
Regular Board Meeting

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rendon at 6:56 p.m.



Mr. Francisco G. Rendon
Chairman, Board of Trustees



Mr. Ed Rivera
Secretary, Board of Trustees

NOTE: The tape of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on March 26, 2015, is on file at the District Office of the Texas Southmost College District. The master tape is on file at TSC Media Services. These minutes were taken and transcribed by Max E. Roca, Senior Administrative Assistant. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees' meetings began on April 11, 1996. They are aired on Channel KBSD in cooperation with the Brownsville Independent School District.