

MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
BOARD OF REGENTS  
South Plains College  
May 8, 2014

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Mr. Bobby Neal, Vice Chairman; and other members of the Board; Mr. Pete Pettiet; Mr. William Clements; Mr. Ken Williams, and Mr. Ronny Alexander. Others present were Mr. Jim Walker; Mr. Tony Riley; Ms. Cathy Mitchell; Mr. Stephen John; Mr. Dan Hook; Mr. Stephen Henry, of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose, of KLVT; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp. Members Absent: Ms. Linda Patton, Secretary.

Guests included Teresa Green, Controller.

Mr. Box gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge to the United States Flag.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to be made to the minutes; there being none, Mr. Clements made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Mr. Alexander, vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs for his report. Mr. Walker reported that the 32st Annual Employee Recognition Banquet will be held this evening at 6 p.m. in the PE Complex, following the Board of Regents' meeting. Honored at this year's banquet will be four faculty members receiving tenure, 18 faculty receiving rank promotions, 93 employees will be recognized for various lengths of service (1,450 total years of service), 18 individuals who are retiring (381 total years of service) and outstanding employees and faculty that will be receiving the Excellence Awards. Exhibit # 3866.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for her report. Ms. Mitchell reported on SPC's 56th Annual Commencement, to be held May 9, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Texan Dome. Seventeen hundred nineteen students have applied for graduation, and 773 plan to participate, an increase from 2013 when 593 participated in Commencement. See Exhibit #3867.

Mr. Riley presented the Tax Office Report and Financial Reports. The Chairman asked if there were any questions regarding the reports, there being none, Mr. Williams moved that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #3868 and #3869. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Riley also presented four resolutions for resale of property; Carl Alexander, Account #R1155, motion to approve was made by Mr. Pettiet, second by Mr. Alexander and vote to be unanimous. Exhibit #3870. Followed by Olga Gabaldon, Account #R17155, motion to decline the resolution was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Clements. Vote carried unanimous. See Exhibit #3871. The third resolution was Raul Delgado, Account #R24589, the motion to accept was made by Mr. Pettiet, second by Mr. Neal and the vote was unanimous; Exhibit #3872. The final resolution was Raul Delgado, Account #R24588. Mr. Neal made a motion to accept the resolution, second by Mr. Alexander. The vote varied unanimous. See Exhibit #3873.

Mr. Box called upon the Vice President for Institutional Advancement for his report. Mr. John presented the final working draft of the revised College Mission Statement as recommended by the Institutional Effectiveness Committee; Exhibit #3874. Mr. John outlined for the Regents the process that the College community has undertaken to evaluate and revise the Mission Statement. This process has included peer comparison reviews, employee input, student input, external constituent input, focus groups and alignment with state statutory role and scope. A group of faculty and staff met in April to review focus group feedback and conduct a final edit of the Mission Statement. Mr. John said that this process has led to a more concise, coherent and focused Mission Statement that clearly states what the College community will do, how it will do it and what the expected outcomes will be. The Mission Statement document is now comprised of three sections: Mission Statement, Role and Scope Statement and eight Institutional Purposes or outcomes. It has also been evaluated against the criteria for accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. The draft document will undergo a final review by the Administrative Council before it is presented to the Board of Regents for adoption at its June 12 meeting. Mr. John commended Kara Martinez, Dean of the SPC Reese Center, for her leadership in chairing the Mission Statement Review Subcommittee and leading the process to review and revise the Mission Statement.

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp gave the Board an update on the construction projects currently underway: second housing unit, Plainview Technology Building and renovations for Development/IMET. Renovations to Lamar Hall are to begin on Monday, May 12.

The budget parameters for 2014-2015 were distributed. The discussion of those parameters will be on next month's agenda. See Exhibit #3875.

Meeting adjourned.