

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
May 9, 2024

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board Mr. Joe Tubb; Dr. Ty Gregory; Mr. Chris Edens; and Mr. Jim Mara; Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Mr. Dom Puente, Levelland News Press; Mr. Adan Rubio, Public Relations Specialist; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Dr. Jerry Findley, Dean of Health Sciences, Dr. Tara Strawn, Director of Nursing, and Mr. Nick Castillo, Executive Director of Administrative Services.

Mr. Alexander gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

The Chairman asked if there were any questions on the minutes as presented. Mr. Alexander motioned to approve the minutes as they were presented, and Mr. Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Castillo canvassed the general election votes shown in exhibit #5150 and #5151. Mr. Edens made the motion to accept the votes as presented. Dr. Gregory seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite then invited Mr. Chris Edens, position #5, exhibit #5152; Mr. Joe Tubb, position #6, exhibit #5153; and Mr. Ellis, position #7, exhibit #5154 to take the office.

Following the oath, Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve Mr. Box as Chairman. Mr. Alexander seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous with Mr. Box abstaining. Mr. Edens made a motion to appoint Mr. Alexander as Vice-Chairman. Mr. Mara seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous with Mr. Alexander abstaining. Mr. Mara then made a motion to appoint Mr. Ellis Secretary of the Board. Mr. Edens seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous with Mr. Ellis abstaining.

The Chairman then invited the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs reviewed the employee services awards in exhibit #5155. He also presented curriculum changes in Arts and Sciences in exhibit #5156, Technical Education in exhibit #5157, and Health Sciences in exhibit #5158. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve the changes as presented. Dr. Gregory seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Gibbs then invited both Dr. Findley and Dr. Strawn to present an update on associate degree Nursing as shown in exhibit #5159.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt presented a graduation update in exhibit #5160. Dr. DeMerritt provided a recap of the spring student awards ceremony. He

also presented the Texas Governor Executive Order No. GA-44 in exhibit #5161. Finally, Dr. DeMerritt provided an update on TEC 51.3525. He will bring a policy for possible approval during the June 2024 meeting.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Business Affairs to present. Ms. Green presented the tax office report in exhibit #5162 and the financial reports in exhibits #5163 and #5164. Mr. Tubb made the motion to approve the reports as presented. Mr. Edens seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to present. Ms. Gerstenberger presented an update on the South plains College Foundation Scholarship budget in exhibit #5165.

The Chairman invited to President to report. Dr. Satterwhite presented information about a proposed construction manager-at-risk for the possible Natatorium renovation. Mr. Tubb made the motion to award Teinert Construction as construction manager-at-risk. Mr. Edens seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite also provided a Legislative update. He informed the Board that we are expected to receive funding information for the upcoming year on May 10. He will provide that information as soon as it is received.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary