

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
May 9, 2013

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, May 9, 2013, 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; Ms. Linda Patton, Secretary; 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. John Rigg, of the News-Press; Mr. Jody Rose, of KLVT; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp.

Mr. Alexander 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 Ms. Patton, vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs for his report. Mr. Walker reported that the 31st 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 8 faculty members receiving tenure, 21 faculty receiving rank promotions, 89 employees will be recognized for various lengths of service (1,295 total years of service), 20 individuals who are retiring (418 total years of service) and outstanding employees and faculty that will be receiving the Excellence Awards.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs for her report. Ms. Mitchell reported on SPC's 55th Annual Commencement, to be held May 10, 2013 at 10 a.m. in the Texan Dome. Fifteen hundred seventy-four students have applied for graduation, and 756 plan to participate. See Exhibit #3778.

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. Clements moved that the Board accept the reports as shown in Exhibits #3779 and #3780. Second by Mr. Pettiet and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Riley also presented a Resolution extending the current depository contract with City Bank for one additional two-year term ending August 31, 2015. Mr. Box read from an Affidavit disclosing he and Mr. Neal would be abstaining from the vote due to their professional affiliation with City Bank. See Exhibit #3781. Mr. Pettiet moved that the Board approve the extension; second by Mr. Williams and the motion carried by a vote of 5 for with Mr. Box and Mr. Neal abstaining.

Mr. Box called upon the Vice President for Institutional Advancement for his report. Mr. John reported on the review of the college's mission statement that is currently underway. He reported that the Institutional Effectiveness Committee is leading the college through an evaluation of its mission statement. A subcommittee of the Institutional Effectiveness Committee has evaluated the mission statement against external and internal factors, including: peer comparison, state statutory role and scope, employee survey input, student survey input and external constituent survey input. The subcommittee has developed a working draft of a revised mission statement. See Exhibit #3782. The draft statement will be presented to a variety of stakeholders to help identify what is most important for the college to do and accomplish. Mr. John also provided Regents with a copy of the current mission statement (Exhibit #3783) as a point of comparison. As part of the review process, external constituents were surveyed. The Results and Analysis Report for the External Constituents Survey was also provided. See Exhibit #3784. Mr. John reviewed the key results of the survey with Regents. The survey asked respondents to rate the importance of 14 core processes that are critical to the success of the college in fulfilling its mission and purpose. Respondents are also asked to rate how well the college is performing the 14 core processes as it accomplishes its mission. More than 80 percent of respondents rated all 14 core processes as being important or very important for the college to perform. More than 70

percent of respondents rated eight of the 14 processes as being very good to excellent. Mr. John said that the survey report provides other data and findings that are useful to strategic planning and to validating the college's mission and institutional purposes. Overall, respondents to the survey see South Plains College as fulfilling an important role in providing higher education opportunities. The Institutional Effectiveness Committee will continue its review and bring its recommendation to Regents in the future

The Chairman called on the President for his report. Dr. Sharp reported that the State Budget negotiations were still in the hands of the conference committee. There is still no news about appropriations funding. A Senate Bill has been introduced to set the State's contribution to Health Insurance Benefits at 50%.

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Dr. Sharp distributed Budget Parameters for 2013-2014. See Exhibit #3785. The proposed budget will be discussed in the June and August Board Meetings.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary