

MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
January 24, 2003

The Called Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District opened in the Isensee Board Room, Harvin Center, Del Mar College East Campus, Baldwin and Ayers, Corpus Christi, Texas, at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, January 24, 2003, with the following present:

From the Board:

Mrs. Chris Adler, Mrs. Minnie Arriaga, Dr. Haysam Dawod, Mrs. Olga Gonzales, Mr. Bill Martin, Mr. Gabe Rivas, Mrs. Dorothy Spann, and Ms. Beverly Winters.

From the College:

Dr. Gustavo Valadez Ortiz, President; Mr. J. L. Alaniz, Vice President of Business and Finance; Mr. José Rivera, Interim Vice President of Learning and Academic Affairs and Vice President of Student Development and Community Learning; Ms. Claudia Jackson, Assistant to the President for Community Relations; Ms. Theresa Cox, Executive Director of Equity and Human Resources; Mrs. Vickie Natale, Dean of Administrative Services; Ms. Barbara Riley, Executive Administrative Assistant to Vice President of Business and Finance; and other administrators, faculty and staff.

From the Attorney's Office:

Mr. Stephen Hilmy.

Others:

Other interested citizens.

Mrs. Olga Gonzales, president of the Board, presided and called the meeting to order. With a quorum present, she requested a moment of silence.

Under Public Comments, Mr. Bill Kopecky addressed the Board concerning the bond election. He suggested the Board consider separating the projects on the ballot in order to allow voters the opportunity to choose which ones they wanted to approve, instead of including all projects in one issue. Mr. Kopecky also expressed his concern that the College is proposing to spend money on the Richardson Auditorium and a parking garage for students.

Mr. Jack Gordy told the Board that he was in agreement with Mr. Kopecky's suggestion for a breakdown of projects on the ballot. He expressed concern that the Board was proposing to spend money renovating the Albertson's building, which was being rented by the College, instead of building one that the College would own.

Mrs. Adler requested information from administration on the rental of the facility. Mrs. Spann asked several times for point of order during the conversation.

The first item on the agenda was related to the Joint Election Agreement with the City of Corpus Christi for the April 5, 2003, general election/bond election. Mr. Steve Hilmy reviewed the recommended changes to the Agreement and the Board made some suggestions. A brief summary of

the joint election process was given for the benefit of the new Board members. Discussion followed on the placement of the bond issue on the ballot, and consideration of a separate ballot for the bond issue.

Dr. Dawod made a motion to approve the Joint Election Agreement between the City of Corpus Christi and Del Mar College for the April 5, 2003, election as amended by legal counsel and the Board. Mr. Rivas seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

The next item on the agenda was related to the Election Services Contract with the County Election Officer for the April 5, 2003, election. Mr. Hilmy reviewed the recommended changes to the Contract and advised that the Board approve the Contract subject to the cost estimate, which is identified as Exhibit A in the Contract but not included, being presented to the Board for ratification at the next meeting.

Mrs. Arriaga made a motion to accept the recommendations and changes made by legal counsel to the Election Services Contract with the County Election Officer for the April 5, 2003, election, and that the cost estimate be brought back to the Board for ratification. Mrs. Spann seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

Under Calendaring, Mrs. Spann asked about addressing the Student Government Association during a voter registration drive. Mr. Hilmy reported that he was currently reviewing a list of “do’s and don’ts” for the College. Mrs. Adler informed the Board that she was out of town when the bond election issue was discussed, and that although she would support it, she had reservations about the timing. Mr. Alaniz told the Board that he had distributed the final audit report for their review, and approval would be required at the February Board meeting. Mr. Martin scheduled an Audit Committee meeting for Tuesday, January 28, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. A Policy Review Committee meeting was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. following the Audit Committee meeting.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.