

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT

April 10, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District convened in the Isensee Board Room, Harvin Student Center, Del Mar College East Campus, Corpus Christi, Texas, at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, with the following present:

From the Board:

Mrs. Chris Adler, Board President; Mrs. Minerva Arriaga, Dr. Haysam Dawod, Ms. Elva Estrada, Ms. Linda B. Garcia, Mr. Trey McCampbell, and Mr. Guy Watts (left at 3:01 p.m.).

From the College:

Dr. Carlos A. Garcia, College President, Mr. Joe Alaniz, Vice President, Business and Finance; Mr. Jose Rivera, Vice President of Student Development; Dr. Blanca "Rosie" Garcia, Vice President of Instruction; Ms. Vickie Natale, Dean of Administrative Services; Ms. Susie Kaspar, Executive Administrative Assistant to the President, and other administrators, faculty, and staff.

From the Attorney's Office:

Mr. Augustin Rivera, Jr.

CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM CALL/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Chris Adler called the meeting to order, and with a quorum present, requested a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Adler congratulated the new CCISD Superintendent, Mr. Scott Eliff.

RECOGNITION/AWARDS AND INNOVATION

Ms. Claudia Jackson recognized the following achievements:

1. Mr. Michael Jones, Assistant Professor of Speech, recipient of *2006-2007 Excellence Award* by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development. Mr. Jones was in class and thus not able to attend the meeting.
2. Mr. David Andrus, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, Ms. Jane Haas and Ms. Colleen Pike, for the *2005-2006 Statistical Profile*.
3. Dr. Larry Lee and Ms. Elizabeth "Betsy" O'Lavin, named *Faculty Advisors of the Year*.
4. Mr. Sem Esquivel, Alpha Beta Gamma, recipient of awards in recognition of his leadership

in the Headstart Program and Junior Achievement, and receipt of a stipend for his essay entitled "How Learning Improves My Life."

Ad Hoc Committee (East Campus Needs)

Dr. Haysam Dawod, Chair, reported that the committee had discussed use of the remaining bond funds from the 2003 bond program, but had deferred action to the Board. He stated that \$1 million was added to the St. Clair project, \$1.7 million to the Flato project, and the remaining funds use would be determined later.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

No report was made in Mr. Martin's absence.

REGENTS' REPORTS

Mrs. Adler reported that approximately 18 individuals attended a reception in Austin for Senator Judith Zaffirini, Chair of the Higher Education Committee.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Joe Alaniz provided a status report on contracts for services, with emphasis on contracts for professional services. Ms. Arriaga recommended that a policy be established related to contracts, including monitoring and renewal. Mr. Alaniz will draft a policy for consideration by the Policy Review Committee.

COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Garcia provided a update on "MyDMC," course redesign that addresses HB-1 (improving student learning outcomes, designing entry-level courses, and innovative use of technology). Dr. Larry Lee, Chair of the Computer Sciences Department, addressed the Board.

Dr. Garcia noted that on May 6-8, 2007, the College will have an opportunity to showcase the Collegiate High School to other schools with a similar program.

Dr. Garcia then introduced Ms. Carla Gamez, coordinator of the DMC intramural competitions, who reported on the various activities and introduced participants.

PENDING BUSINESS

Dr. Carlos Garcia provided an update on pending business. Mrs. Adler requested an update on the strategic plan be presented in May.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Approval of Minutes

Regular Board Meeting – February 20, 2007

Called Board Meeting – February 6, 2007

Called Board Meeting – March 27, 2007

Dr. Dawod made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Arriaga, to approve the minutes of the referenced meetings. A roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of new programs, Non-destructive Testing Technology (AAS) and Echocardiography (AAS), in the Division of Business, Professional and Technology Education.

Following initial remarks by Vice President Rosie Garcia, Dr. Lee Sloan stated that the 2003 bond program provided an opportunity for the College to continue to address community needs by implementing new programs. He reported on the need in our area for the non-destructive testing technology program. He stated that students are in high demand, the equipment is ready, and the faculty search is in progress. He anticipates a cohort of at least 30-40 students.

Dr. David Arreguin, Chair of Dental Imaging, spoke regarding the Echocardiography program. He reported that the College already have full-time faculty and equipment. Due to limitation of clinic sites, the initial number of students will be limited to six.

Dr. Dawod made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Estrada, to approve the new programs, Non-destructive Testing Technology (AAS) and Echocardiography (AAS), in the Division of Business, Professional and Technology Education. A roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of sabbatical leave for Ms. Patricia Frederick, Assistant Professor of Computer Science.

Dr. Rosie Garcia supported the leave request for pre-dissertation research leading to a doctorate in computer science.

Mr. Watts made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dawod, to approve a sabbatical leave for Ms. Patricia Frederick, Assistant Professor of Computer Science. A roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Acceptance of Investments for March 2007.

Mr. Alaniz presented the Investments for March 2007.

Mr. McCampbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dawod, to accept the Investments for March 2007. A roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Acceptance of Financial Statement for February 2007.

Mr. Alaniz presented the Financial Statement for February 2007.

Mr. Watts made a motion, seconded by Ms. Arriaga, to accept the Financial Statement for February 2007. A roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to a.) TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.071 (Consultation with legal counsel), regarding pending or contemplated litigation; or a settlement offer; with possible discussion and action in open session; b.) TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.074(a)(1)(Personnel Matters) regarding the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, including the College President, with possible discussion and action in open session; c.) TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), regarding the deliberation concerning the status of gifts or donations to the state or the governmental body, with possible discussion and action in open session, including i.) the Durrill Project and ii.) Change of Designated Trustee of Scholarship Fund; and d.) Tex. Gov't Code § 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Negotiations), discussion or deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; and/or, to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect, with possible discussion and action on each of the listed items in open session.

Mrs. Adler announced that the Board would enter into closed session at 2:20 p.m. Mr. Watts left the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 4:45 p.m.

Mrs. Arriaga made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dawod, to authorize legal counsel to pursue legal steps needed to change the designated trustee of scholarship funds. There being no public comments on the agenda item, a roll-call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items) – 3-minute time limit

There were no public comments.

CALENDAR: Discussion and possible action related to calendaring dates.

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

12:30 p.m. Policy Review Committee Meeting
1:30 p.m. Called Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Adler adjourned the meeting at 4:57 p.m.