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Take notice that a Regular Meeting of the

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF

TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE DISTRICT

will be held in the

Gorgas Board Room at Texas Southmost College,

80 Fort Brown, Brownsville, Texas 78520

Commencing at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2024

to consider and act on the following Agenda:

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledges of Allegiance
3. Public Comment
 - a. If you wish to address the Board of Trustees during the Public Comment portion of today's meeting about an item on this agenda or another issue, please print your name and the agenda item or topic of discussion you wish to address on the sign-in sheet located at the entrance of the Gorgas Board Room. If an item is not on the agenda it will be limited to a discussion of placing the topic/item on the agenda for a subsequent meeting. Tex. Gov. Code §551.042
 - b. In accordance with TSC Policy, only those persons who have signed up on the list shall be heard. The speaker must limit remarks to three minutes. The Board shall allot no more than 30 minutes for the Public Comment portion of the meeting and a total of no more than 12 minutes for any specific agenda item and 3 minutes per person. If there are more than four (4) individuals wishing to speak on a specific agenda item, those signing the request must allocate the time amongst themselves so as not to exceed 12 minutes per agenda item.

- c. A complaint against a specific employee or officer of Texas Southmost College shall be heard in a Closed Meeting, as authorized by the *Texas Government Code Title 5-Sections 551.074(1) and (2)*. If your topic concerns a complaint against a specific employee or officer, please note this on the sign-in sheet. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy. If not, the presiding officer or designee shall refer the individual to the appropriate policy to seek resolution:

TSC Policies

Employee Complaints: DGBA

Student Complaints: FLD

Public Complaints: GB

- d. You must make your point on issues in a constructive and courteous fashion pursuant to *Robert's Rules of Order*.

4. Chairwoman's Report

5. President's Report

6. Consideration and possible action on approval of the Minutes of the following meeting:

- a. Regular Meeting – February 21, 2024
- b. Special Meeting – March 13, 2024

7. Finance Committee

- a. Consideration and possible action on approval for email protection premium plus licenses annual purchases for FY 2023-2024
- b. Consideration and possible action on approval for infrastructure hardware purchase for FY 2023-24
- c. Consideration and possible action on award of RFQ 24-05 for "(On-Call) Architectural and Engineering Professional Services"
- d. Monthly Financial Statement Report for the month ended January 31, 2024
- e. Fund Balance Operation Report
- f. Grants Update

8. Student Services Committee

- a. Consideration and possible action on approval for texting platform annual purchases for FY 2023-2024
- b. Consideration and possible action on renewal for library services platform annual purchase through RFP 21-12 for FY 2023-2024
- c. Consideration and possible action to amend the Dual Programs Academic Agreement Effective Summer 2024

9. Policies Committee

- a. Consideration and possible action on the following (LOCAL) policies and exhibit: BBI, BG, CFE, CGC, CS, CU, DAA, DH, FA, FAA, and FD

BBI (LOCAL) Board Members: Technology Resources and Electronic Communications
(REVISE POLICY)

BG (LOCAL) Administrative Organization **(ADD POLICY)**

CFE (LOCAL) Purchasing and Acquisition: Vendor Relations **(ADD POLICY)**

CGC(LOCAL) Safety Program: Emergency Plans and Alerts **(REVISE POLICY)**

CS(LOCAL) Information Security **(REVISE POLICY)**

CU (LOCAL) Research **(ADD POLICY)**

DAA (LOCAL) Employment Objectives: Equal Employment Opportunity **(ADD POLICY)**

DH (LOCAL) Employee Standards of Conduct **(REVISE POLICY)**

FA (LOCAL) Equal Educational Opportunity **(ADD POLICY)**

FAA (LOCAL) Equal Educational Opportunity: Pregnant and Parenting Students **(ADD POLICY)**

FD (EXHIBIT) Tuition and Fees (Revise Exhibit)

10. Executive Session

- a. Consultation with Attorney on Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Section 551.071 Texas Government Code
- b. Consultation with Attorney on Pending Real Estate Issues, Section 551.072 Texas Government Code
 - UTRGV Lease
- c. Deliberation on Personnel Matters, Section 551.074 Texas Government Code
 - Consideration and possible action on FY 23-24 Salary Schedule

11. Action on Executive Session Matters

12. Announcement of Next Meeting Dates

- a. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, April 18, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
- b. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, May 16, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

13. Adjournment

*This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on 03/25/2024 at 3:15 pm by Dr. Stella E. Garcia. *Stella Garcia**

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