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Texas Southmost College District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

May 21, 2012

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on May 21, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., in the Gorgas Board Room at Texas Southmost College. Board members present were Francisco G. Rendon, Chair; Adela G. Garza, Secretary; David Oliveira; Trey Mendez; Ren  Torres and Dr. Robert A. Lozano. Also present was Dr. Lily F. Tercero, President of Texas Southmost College. Board member absent was Dr. Roberto Robles, Vice Chair.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rendon at 5:37 p.m.

2. Announcements

There were no announcements.

3. Resolution Honoring Dr. Albert A. Besteiro

This item was tabled and will be presented a future date when family members are available to attend and accept the Resolution.

4. Speakers to Agenda Items and Public Discussion

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. David Marquez, Staff Senate President. Mr. Marquez thanked Mr. Oliveira and Dr. Robles for their service given to the community and the students. He also thanked the newly elected Board members and congratulated the Board for their commitment to continue all the TSC programs.

5. Mission Statement

Chairman Rendon read the existing mission for Texas Southmost College District as follows:

“Texas Southmost College is a comprehensive open admissions public community college whose mission comports with Texas Statute Subchapter A, Section 130. Texas Southmost College offers programs leading to certificates of completion and associate degrees, developmental education to prepare students for college-level work, occupational and technical programs to prepare students for immediate employment, academic courses of study to develop the core skills, understandings, and knowledge appropriate for baccalaureate programs, and continuing education, counseling, guidance, adult literacy and personal enrichment.

Texas Southmost College advances economic and social development, enhances the quality of life, encourages respect for the environment, cultivates personal enrichment, and expands knowledge in service to its community. It convenes the cultures of its community and fosters an appreciation for the unique heritage of the Lower Rio Grande Valley. It provides academic leadership in the intellectual, social, cultural, and economic life of the region it serves.

Texas Southmost College places excellence in teaching and learning at the core of its commitments. It seeks to help students at all levels develop the skills which will sustain life-long learning while respecting the dignity of each learner and the needs of the entire community.”

6. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting on April 3, 2012, the Regular Meeting on April 19, 2012, and the Special meeting on April 30, 2012

A motion was made by Mr. Mendez to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting on April 3, 2012, the Regular Meeting on April 19, 2012 and the Special Meeting on April 30, 2012 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried. Mrs. Garza abstained from the vote.

7. Canvassing the Results of the TSC District Election

Consideration and Approval of Canvassing the Results of the Texas Southmost College District Election

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Chet Lewis, Vice President for Administration and Finance to present the item. Mr. Lewis presented the election results for the TSC District Trustee election held on May 12, 2012 for places 6 and 7. Mr. Lewis announced that Reynaldo García was duly elected to place 6 with 1,377 votes; and Ramon Champion Hinojosa was duly elected to place 7 with 1,197 votes. Both candidates received the majority of votes cast. Mr. Lewis stated that the canvassing information in the board packet is unofficial until it is approved by the Board.

A motion was made by Mrs. Garza to approve the Canvass as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. Exhibit "A"

8. Order Declaring Results of the TSC District Election

Consideration and Approval of Order Declaring Results of the Texas Southmost College District Election

Chairman Rendon called on Mr. Lewis to present the item. Mr. Lewis presented the Order Declaring Results of the Texas Southmost College District Election held on May 12, 2012.

A motion was made by Mrs. Garza to approve the Order Declaring Results as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried unanimously. Exhibit "B"

9. Proposal for Information Technology Consulting and Outsourcing Service

Consideration and Approval of Proposal for Information Technology Consulting and Outsourcing Services

Chairman Rendon called on Dr. Tercero to present the item. Dr. Tercero reported that over the last couple months various approaches relating to the implementation of the College's technology have been identified and evaluated. Because of the TSC's unique circumstances, it has been necessary to examine different approaches. Dr. Tercero stressed that TSC is strategically positioned to

create an institution with state-of-the-art technology solutions focused on student success, completion and continuous improvement. These technology solutions will be integrated throughout the institution.

Dr. Tercero introduced Mr. Lewis to provide an overview on the work undertaken by the staff. Mr. Lewis reported that the implementation of information technology services is a major initiative that must be met in order for TSC to become fully operational. The essential services will be provided to TSC students, faculty and staff. This effort will also include a seamless and accurate migration of student and course information, including academic history, currently managed by UTB.

Mr. Lewis reported that the key technology goals are as follows: network infrastructure and services to provide for the delivery of voice, data and video services; administrative applications to support enrollment and business service transactions; business intelligence applications to support decision making and institutional effectiveness, efficiency and public accountability; web services to deliver information to prospective students and the community; library services capable of supporting teaching and learning; learning management systems to support technology mediated instruction; distance learning; professional development; and user support services to deliver virtual and on-campus help and assistance.

Mr. Lewis presented three viable strategic IT options that were considered: in-house services, shared services, and outsourced services. He reported that based on the College's needs and circumstances, it was determined that the most viable option was to pursue the option of outsourcing services and proposals were solicited for information technology consulting and outsourcing services. He reported that based on the review of the proposals received by the College, the staff's recommendation is to engage the services of Dynamic Campus to implement the College's information technology solutions.

Dr. Tercero added that Dynamic Campus is committed to ensuring that TSC successfully implements solutions. She stated that Dynamic Campus has a strong reputation and has worked with many community colleges and universities.

Dr. Tercero introduced two representatives from Dynamic Campus, Mr. Mike Glubke, CEO, and Mr. Richard Middaugh, Vice President. Mr. Middaugh provided a short summary of the proposed work plan for TSC. Mr. Middaugh presented the major services and work that would be completed in phases and a timeline for each of the phases.

Dr. Tercero emphasized that the College is in a unique situation given the status of the transition; however, she stated that Dynamic Campus has accepted the challenge and is committed to helping the College build a state-of-the-art technology system.

Chairman Rendon thanked all the staff for the work on this research.

A motion was made by Mr. Torres to negotiate a contract with Dynamic Campus to provide information technology consulting and Outsourcing Services for Phase I and to authorize the TSC President to do all things necessary to execute a contract not to exceed \$1 million dollars as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Garza and carried unanimously. Exhibit "C"

10. Resolution Honoring Mr. David Oliveira for his Years of Service to the Board

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Honoring Mr. David Oliveira for his Years of Service to the Board

Chairman Rendon honored Mr. Oliveira for his 18 years of service to Texas Southmost College District as a Trustee. Mr. Oliveira served as Chairman of this Board from June 1997-1998, and again in September 2008-June 2010. On behalf of the Board, Chairman Rendon presented a gavel in appreciation of his service as Chairman. Fellow board members gave thanks to Mr. Oliveira for his 18 years of service. Mr. Oliveira was honored with thanks from his fellow Trustees and spoke about his time served as Trustee.

Chairman Rendon read the resolution.

A motion was made by Dr. Lozano to adopt the Resolution Honoring Mr. David Oliveira for his Years of Service to the Board as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. Exhibit "D"

11. Resolution Honoring Dr. Roberto Robles for his Years of Service to the Board

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Honoring Dr. Roberto Robles for his Years of Service to the Board

Chairman Rendon honored Dr. Robles for his 14 years of service to Texas Southmost College District as a Trustee. On behalf of the Board, Chairman Rendon presented a plaque in honor of his 14 years of service. Fellow board members gave thanks to Dr. Robles for his years of service.

Chairman Rendon read the resolution.

A motion was made by Dr. Lozano to adopt the Resolution Honoring Dr. Roberto Robles for his Years of Service to the Board as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Garza and carried unanimously. Exhibit "E"

12. Proposed Meeting Dates

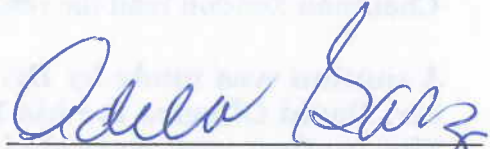
Thursday, May 31, 2012

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rendon at 7:14 p.m.



Mr. Francisco G. Rendon
Chairman, Board of Trustees



Ms. Adela G. Garza
Secretary, Board of Trustees

NOTE: The tape of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on May 21, 2012, is on file at the District Office of the Texas Southmost College District. The master tape is on file at UTB/TSC Media Services. These minutes were taken and transcribed by Max E. Roca, Administrative Assistant. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees' meetings began on April 11, 1996. They are aired on Channel KBSD in cooperation with the Brownsville Independent School District.