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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 Wednesday, February 21, 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 – January 18, 2024

7. Finance Committee

- a. Consideration and possible action to approve the Contract for Election Services with the Cameron County Elections Department for a general election to be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024
- b. Consideration and possible action on approval of Budget Amendment 24-001 to recognize tuition and fee revenue
- c. First Quarter Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2024
- d. Monthly Financial Statement Report for the month ended December 31, 2023
- e. Fund Balance Operation Report
- f. Grants Update

8. Facilities Committee

- a. Facilities Update

9. Academic Committee

- a. Consideration and possible action to approve a Renewal Affiliation Agreement with Knapp Medical Center for Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Radiology Technology Program
- b. Consideration and possible action to approve an Affiliation Agreement with Palms Behavior Health for Associate Degree Nursing and Vocational Nursing Programs
- c. Consideration and possible action on the approval of a new Structural Welding Certificate of Proficiency Level 1 (CERT1.WLDG) and Welding Certificate of Proficiency Level 2 (CERT2.WLDG) with initial implementation in Spring 2025
- d. Consideration and possible action on approval of matching grant support for year two of the AmeriCorps Texas Operational grant
- e. Consideration and possible action on approval of matching grant support for the Texas Workforce Commission's Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) grant program
- f. Consideration and possible action to approve an amended Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Valley Regional Medical Center to include the proposed non-credit Phlebotomy Program

10. Student Services Committee

- a. Scorpion Opportunity Hub Update
- b. TSC Scorpion Athletics NJCAA Spring Update

11. Policies Committee

- a. Annual Review of CAK (LOCAL): Appropriations and Revenue Sources - Investments
- b. Consideration and possible action on the following (LOCAL) policies: DEC, EBA, ECC, FFDA, FLB, and GCB

DEC(LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits: Leaves and Absences - Revise Policy

EBA(LOCAL) Alternative Methods of Instruction: Distance Education - Revise Policy

ECC(LOCAL) Instructional Arrangements: Course Load and Schedules - Revise Policy

FFDA(LOCAL) Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation: Sex and Sexual Violence - Revise Policy

FLB(LOCAL) Student Rights and Responsibilities: Student Conduct - Revise Policy

GCB(LOCAL) Public Information Program: Requests for Information - Revise Policy

12. Audit Subcommittee Report

13. Executive Session

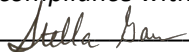
- a. Consultation with Attorney on Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Section 551.071 Texas Government Code
- b. Consultation with Attorney on Pending Real Estate Issues, Section 551.072 Texas Government Code
 - UTRGV Lease
- c. Deliberation on Personnel Matters, Section 551.074 Texas Government Code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

14. Action on Executive Session Matters

15. Announcement of Next Meeting Dates

- a. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, March 28, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
- b. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, April 18, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

16. Adjournment

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on February 18, 2024 at 11:00 am by Dr. Stella E. Garcia. .

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