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TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE DISTRICT

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

August 9, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on August 9, 2022 at 12:31 p.m. Board Members present were Ms. Adela Garza, Chair; Mr. J.J. De Leon, Vice Chair; Ms. Alejandra Aldrete, Secretary; Ms. Eva Alejandro; Mr. Ruben Herrera; Mrs. Delia Saenz; and Dr. Tony Zavaleta. Also present was Dr. Jesús Roberto Rodríguez, President of Texas Southmost College.

**SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Garza at 12:31 p.m. She called role and confirmed a quorum.

2. Pledges of Allegiance

Trustee Zavaleta led the United States Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comment

Chair Garza asked if there were any speakers signed up for public comment. There were no public speakers.

4. Consideration and possible action on passing a resolution to designate officer to calculate the voter-approval tax rate for Tax Year 2022

Dr. Gisela Figueroa, Vice President of Finance and Administration, was called on to present the agenda item. Dr. Figueroa read the proposed resolution to designate an officer to calculate the no-new-revenue and/or voter-approval tax rate, in accordance with the Texas Tax Code.

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §

TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Texas Southmost College District authorizes a designated officer or employee to calculate the no-new-revenue and/or the voter-approval tax rate for: and

WHEREAS, Section 26.04(c-1) of the Texas Tax Code provides that the governing body of a taxing unit will designate a person to also certify the accuracy of the tax rate calculations sheet.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Texas Southmost College District, acting through its governing body, hereby requests, in accordance with Section 26.04 (c-1) of the Texas Tax Code, the Vice President of Finance and Administration, Dr. Gisela Figueroa, to calculate the no-new-revenue and/or voter-approval tax rate for tax year 2022 in the manner provided for a special taxing unit.

ADOPTED this 9TH DAY of AUGUST 2022.

Adela G. Garza
Chair, Board of Trustees

Alejandra Aldrete, M.Ed.
Secretary, Board of Trustees

A motion was made by Secretary Aldrete on passing a resolution to designate officer to calculate the voter-approval tax rate for Tax Year 2022. Vice Chair De Leon seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Consideration and possible action on the proposed TSC District Tax Rate and schedule of Public Hearing

Dr. Gisela Figueroa, Vice President of Finance and Administration, was called on to present the agenda item. Dr. Figueroa presented three tax rate calculations for the Board's consideration: prior year rate, no-new-revenue rate, and voter-approved tax rate.

The board engaged in a brief discussion of the amount of revenue that will be raised through the voter-approved tax rate.

Chair Garza polled each board member for their vote on the rate. All board members voted for a proposed voter-approved tax rate of \$0.144916 per \$100 of valuation which carried unanimously.

Trustee Saenz made a motion to schedule a public hearing on August 18. Immediate Past Chair Herrera seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

6. Consideration and possible action on approval of diesel truck purchase

Dr. Joanna Kile, Vice President of Workforce Training and Continuing Education, and Dr. Joseph Fleishman, Associate Vice President of Instruction-Workforce Development, were called upon to present the item. Dr. Kile said the proposed item would be purchased through the Texas Reskilling and Upskilling for Education (TRUE) Institutional Capacity grant, and has been approved by the funding agency. Dr. Fleishman reviewed the vendors who submitted bids for the truck and the expected delivery dates.

A motion was made by Vice Chair De Leon to approve the diesel truck purchase for the Diesel program from Boswell Elliff Ford in the amount of \$69,000 through TIPS contract number 210907 and authorize President Rodríguez to execute the purchase order contract, as presented. Secretary Aldrete seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

7. Consideration and possible action on approval of vehicle column lift purchase from Grainger

Dr. Joanna Kile, Vice President of Workforce Training and Continuing Education, and Dr. Joseph Fleishman, Associate Vice President of Instruction-Workforce Development, were called upon to present the item. Dr. Kile said the proposed equipment would be purchased through the Texas Reskilling and Upskilling for Education (TRUE) Institutional Capacity grant, and has been approved by the funding agency. Dr. Fleishman reviewed the proposed equipment, as well as the vendors who submitted bids and the expected delivery dates.

A motion was made by Trustee Alejandro to approve vehicle column lift purchase for the Diesel program from Grainger in the amount of \$56,000 through OMNIA Partners purchasing cooperative and authorize President Rodríguez to execute the purchase order contract, as presented. Trustee Saenz seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

8. Executive Session

The Board convened in Executive Session at 12:50 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 1:06 p.m.

9. Action on Executive Session Matters

a. Consultation with Attorney on Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Section 551.071 Texas Government Code

No action was taken.

b. Consultation with Attorney on Pending Real Estate Issues, Section 551.072 Texas Government Code

No action was taken.

c. Deliberation on Personnel Matters, Section 551.074 Texas Government Code


No action was taken.

10. Announcement of Proposed Meeting Dates

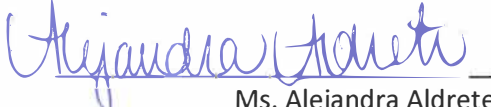
a. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, August 18, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vice Chair De Leon. The motion was seconded by Immediate Past Chair Herrera. The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.



Mrs. Adela Garza
Chair, Board of Trustees



Ms. Alejandra Aldrete
Secretary, Board of Trustees

The video recording of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on August 9, 2022 available on the TSC.EDU website. These minutes were taken and transcribed by Dr. Angela K. McCauley, Director of Special Instructional Projects. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees' meetings began on April 11, 1996.