

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
September 12, 2024

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. in the Board of Regents Meeting Room for a regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Mr. Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board; Mr. Joe Tubb; Mr. Chris Edens and Mr. Jim Mara. Others present were Ms. Teresa Green; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Dom Puente, Levelland News Press; Mr. Adan Rubio, Relations Specialist; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Mr. Edens gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge to the United States Flag.

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to the minutes as presented. Mr. Edens made a motion to approve the minutes as approved and Mr. Mara seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman and Board members acknowledged receiving Dr. Ty Gregory's letter of resignation in August 2024. See Exhibit #5189.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt presented the preliminary Fall 2024 enrollment and housing occupancy reports in exhibits #5190 and #5191.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Academic Affairs to report. Dr. Gibbs presented the Health Science passage rates in exhibit #5192 and an update on Technical Education.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Business Affairs to report. Ms. Green presented the tax office report in exhibit #5193 and the financial reports in exhibit #5194 and #5195. Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Mr. Alexander seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to report. Ms. Gerstenberger presented an update on the Institutional Plan in exhibit #5196. She also presented the South Plains College Board of Regents Scholarship endowment charter for the Regents' review. See exhibit #5197. Mr. Ellis made the motion to approve the charter as presented. Mr. Edens seconded the motion and the vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

The Chairman called on the President to report. Dr. Satterwhite provided an update on current construction projects. He noted that Frazier Hall renovations are progressing well, and completion is expected in October. He also let the Board know that plans for the Natatorium renovation should be ready to present at the beginning of 2025 and that the track renovation on the Levelland campus began in early September.

Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to consider the options to fill position #2 following Dr. Gregory's resignation. Following a very lengthy discussion, Mr. Alexander made a motion to appoint a new member. Mr. Edens seconded. The vote is as follows: Mr. Box – abstain; Mr. Alexander – for; Mr. Ellis – against; Mr.

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Edens – for; Mr. Mara – for; and Mr. Tubb – for. The motion passed. Letters of interest of appointment from the public will be accepted through Thursday, October 3, 2024. Finally, Dr. Satterwhite asked the Board to consider approving resolutions naming Mr. Vernon Norwood (exhibit #5198) and Ms. Leslie Valentine (exhibit #5199) as distinguished alumni for 2024. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve both resolutions as presented, and Mr. Edens seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary