

CONSENT AGENDA NO. 7.1.a.

Approval of the February 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the February 1, 2022 Regular Board meeting.

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Dallas College was held Tuesday, February 1, 2022 beginning at 4:10 p.m. and was broadcasted via the streaming link: <http://www.dcccd.edu/boardmeetingslive>. The meeting was convened by Vice Chair Phil Ritter.

Board Members and Officers Present

Mr. Cliff Boyd  
Ms. Monica Lira Bravo (Chair)-attended virtually  
Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton  
Ms. Diana Flores  
Dr. Joe May (Secretary and Chancellor)  
Mr. Phil Ritter (Vice Chair)  
Ms. Gretchen Williams  
Ms. Dorothy Zimmermann

Members Absent

None.

1. **Roll Call - Announcement of Quorum** was confirmed by Vice Chair Phil Ritter.
2. **Certification of Notice Posted** for the meeting confirmed by Chancellor Joe May.
3. **Pledges of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags**
4. **Citizens Desiring to Address the Board**  
None.
5. **Chancellor and Board Announcements**

1. Announcements from the Chancellor

- Chancellor May reflected on Feb. 26, eight years ago, his first day as Chancellor of Dallas College so March was his first board meeting. He acknowledged that this role was without question the high point of his career. He went on to say that it was largely due to the great working relationships with this Board, and the opportunity to work on common goals with such a great leadership team, and our campus leadership over the years. And it had truly been an honor. He remembered in 1978 when he walked onto the Cedar Valley College campus during its first year of operation. It was the chance to, for the first time, really understand community colleges, the students we served and the role that we played and the impact we had on lives. "Those students that I had in the classroom literally changed my career trajectory," he said May expressed his gratitude for the faculty and those supporting and meeting the needs of students and said that although the faces had changed - the commitment, attitude and dedication was even greater today because we understood what we did was so essential today.
- Dr. May recalled another time where he would have questioned the consolidation, questioned the idea we could pass a billion-dollar bond with 71% support of the voters. He would have questioned the idea that we could have scaled what many people said was unscalable with P-TECH high schools and early college high schools - investing in technologies to provide the modern infrastructure that our students and employees needed. He acknowledged Dr. Justin Lonon who would take on the role as chancellor and encouraged the support to continue to support him as Dallas College continued to offer student access to an education.
- In closing, Chancellor May said he felt we had laid the groundwork but, in many ways, it was just the beginning. He was excited to be a part of this journey and thanked the Board for the opportunity to be here; he looked forward to watching the tremendous work they would continue to do as we met the needs of our community, our employers, and more importantly, the students we served through our classrooms and through the quality instruction that we provide.

2. Announcements from the Board Chair and/or Trustees

- Vice Chair Ritter addressed Chancellor May, saying Chair Bravo asked him (Ritter) to deliver a few remarks on behalf of the Board and the community. Ritter said this podium is a place

where members of our community addressed the Board and addressed our Chancellor. As Trustee Ritter stood at the podium, he was a representative of the community and the elected body that supported their work for many years. He conveyed on behalf of the community and the Board' sincere thanks and gratitude for Dr. May's years of service as chancellor.

- Vice Chair Ritter then chronicled his top three accomplishments of Chancellor May. First was the vision behind the Career Connected Learning Network. Second was a \$1.1 billion bond approved by 71% of the voters; and finally, for guiding the transition from Dallas County Community College District to a unified Dallas College. He commented on his early conversations with Chancellor May. Dr. May could see that students were not being as successful as they could be because of structure and process. He commended Dr. May for presenting the data and taking accountability for that, and, as a result, led the Board, this organization and community on a series of much needed reforms. Work that was still being done today. He thanked Dr. May for putting them on a path to better serve our students.
- Vice Chair Ritter also reflected on some of the less visible aspects of Chancellor May's leadership. Not only here at Dallas College, but during the 44 years at previous institutions in the community college movement. Ritter said that at his core the Chancellor was an educator. Trustee Ritter also said that he has observed the deep respect Dr. May had for the role of our faculty and staff and for this Board. He continued to expand on the leadership role Dr. May played in the community college movement through numerous organizations and public incentives.
- In closing, Vice Chair Ritter was imagining whether there was a word or two that would summarize Dr. May's character and leadership - that word was *humanitarian*. Finally, he wished Chancellor May and his wife, Jeanne, best of luck in the next chapter of their lives.
- Agreeing with Vice Chair Ritter, Trustee Diana Flores recalled her first strategic planning meeting where she was shocked by the information Chancellor May put before them showing that Dallas was third highest in the nation in poverty. Providing that information moved the Board toward setting priorities that would focus on student needs. She expressed that Dr. May went beyond what she had envisioned, giving a real opportunity to

students with low-income backgrounds and first-time college students, really changing their lives for generations to come.

- Trustee Flores closed her remarks by thanking him and saying that he had a slogan: every student, every place, every time. And we needed to remember that to truly transform lives and communities through education.
- Trustee Boyd mentioned that Chancellor May worked for Dallas College when Trustee Boyd was in the Best Southwest Leadership program, which was his first real opportunity to observe Dallas College and what we had the potential to do. Chancellor May had planted the seeds for the future, which was the Board's real responsibility and handed them a great challenge and opportunity.
- Trustee Compton requested that the Board adjourn to executive session. She then went on to say that Chancellor May had initiated some things that she believed have been very beneficial to the college but one of the things that had marred his tenure for her was items like 6.3.
- Vice Chair Ritter and the Board adjourned to Executive Session for further discussion of item 6.3.

## **6. Consent Agenda**

Vice Chair Ritter asked if there was a motion to consider agenda items 6.1. and 6.2. only. A motion was made by Trustee Diana Flores and seconded by Trustee Cliff Boyd. The motion passed.

1. Meeting Minutes
  - a. Approval of the December 2, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes
  - b. Approval of the December 7, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - c. Approval of the January 11, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes
2. Finance Items
  - a. Approval of Road Easement and Right-of-way to ONCOR Electric Delivery Company, LLC at Brookhaven Campus
  - b. Approval of Temporary Construction Easement for the City of Irving at North Lake Campus
3. Resolutions
  - a. Adoption of Resolution Appointing Justin H. Lonon Secretary of the Board of Trustees and Chancellor During the Transition Period Between March 1, 2022 and August 31, 2022

After returning from Executive Session, a motion was made by Trustee Charletta Compton to approve agenda item 6.3. and seconded by Trustee Gretchen Williams. The motion passed.

**7. Individual Items**

1. Talent Items
  - a. Approval of Warrants of Appointment for Police Officers

**8. Informative Reports**

1. Committee Reports
  - a. Education Workforce Committee Notes for November 9, 2021
  - b. Governance Committee Notes for December 7, 2021
  - c. Finance Committee Notes for December 7, 2021
2. 1st Quarter Facilities Improvement Plan
3. 1st Quarter Investment Transactions
4. Quarterly Budget Book Vendor Summary
5. Report from Investment Officers on Training
6. Monthly Award and Change Order Summary (November & December 2021)
7. 2019 Dallas College Bond Program Monthly Status Report (January 2022)
8. Notice of Grant Awards (January & February 2022)
9. Current Funds Operating Budget Report (December 2021)
10. Dallas College Foundation Report (December 2021)
11. CARES Funding Report (January 2022)
12. Workforce & Advancement Ascend Institute Report (November & December 2021)
13. Dallas College Human Capital New Hire/Position Report (November 12, 2021 - January 12, 2022)

**9. Executive Session**

Board adjourned to executive session at 4:27 p.m. to discuss item 6.3. and reconvened at 5:05 p.m.

**10. Adjournment**

Vice Chair Ritter adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m.