

CONSENT AGENDA NO. 9.1.b.

Approval of the May 17, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the May 17, 2022, special meeting.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Dallas College was held May 17, 2022, beginning at 2:03 p.m. at the administrative building in room 007 and was broadcast on the Cisco Webex platform via the streaming link: <http://www.dallascollege.edu/boardmeetingslive>. The meeting was convened by Chair Monica Lira Bravo.

Board Members and Officers Present

Ms. Monica Lira Bravo (chair)

Ms. Diana Flores

Dr. Justin H. Lonon (secretary and chancellor)

Mr. Phil Ritter (vice chair)

Ms. Gretchen M. Williams

Members Absent

Mr. Cliff Boyd

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton

Ms. Dorothy Zimmermann

1. **Roll Call - Announcement of a Quorum** confirmed by Chair Monica Lira Bravo.
2. **Certification of Notice Posted** confirmed by Chancellor Justin Lonon.
3. **Citizens Desiring to Address the Board**
None.
4. **Resolutions**
 1. *Approval of Resolution Canvassing Returns and Declaring Election Results of the May 7, 2022, Election in Trustee Districts 1 (Unexpired Term), 2, and 3*

Chair Bravo said we have item 4.1 that requires approval of the resolution canvassing returns and declaring election results of the May 7, 2022, election and asked Associate General Counsel Tricia Horatio to address the Board and give the details of this item.

Associate General Counsel Tricia Horatio gave the following details regarding the resolution:

Resolution official results of the 2022 as follows:

Total votes cast in District 3, 10,865.

Paul Mayer received 7,189 or 66.17%.

Soji John received 3,676 or 33.83%.

Under Texas law, a candidate must receive more than 50% of the vote for the position to be declared elected. In district 3 Paul Mayer received a majority of the votes cast.

Total votes cast in District 2, 16,459.

Eugene J. Robinson received 5,523 or 33.56% of the votes cast.

Phil Ritter received 10,936 or 66.44% of the votes cast.

Under Texas law, a candidate must receive more than 50% of the vote for the position to be declared elected. In District 2, Phil Ritter received a majority of the votes cast.

Total votes cast in District 1 for the unexpired term was 16,541.

Lynn Davenport received 5,307 or 32.08% of votes cast.

Catalina E. Garcia received 5,942 or 35.92% votes cast.

Gretchen Williams received 5,292 or 31.99% votes cast.

Under Texas law, a candidate must receive more than 50% of the vote for the position to be declared elected. As no candidate in District 1 received a majority of the votes cast a runoff was indicated. In addition, the difference between the second and third place candidates in District 1 is less than 10%, which was enough to provide grounds for a recount if requested in accordance to applicable law.

Finally, this body ordered an election to occur in District 4 on May 7, 2022, as the candidate in District 4, Monica Lira Bravo was unopposed. On March 1, 2022, this body cancelled the election in District 4, declaring Monica Lira Bravo duly elected.

Associate General Counsel Horatio then asked the canvassing council if they had any questions or objections to the materials before them, including the election returns and accompanying records of the election, and if not, may make a motion to approve the resolution.

Trustee Flores referred to page 4 of the motion and said the word, “runoff” was being used. She asked if this was correct.

Associate General Counsel Horatio said it was in the explanatory notes and not actually in the resolution and thus would be corrected.

Trustee Flores moved for approval of item 4.1. and was seconded by Vice Chair Ritter. Trustee Williams recused herself from voting on item 4.1. Motion passed.

2. Approval of the Resolution Ordering the June 18, 2022, Runoff Election in Trustee District 1 (Unexpired Term)

Associate General Counsel Horatio stated that under Texas law only a candidate receiving a majority of votes casted for all candidates can be declared elected. As noted in Item 4.1. of this agenda none of candidates running for District 1 received such a majority. Under the law, only the candidates who received the highest number of votes will go to a runoff. Item 4.1. on this agenda also demonstrated that in District 1, the difference between the votes received for the third-place candidate and the votes received for the second-place candidate, who is entitled to a place on the run-off, were less than 10%, which provides grounds for a request for a recount, which has been received. If the petition received is amended and approved in accordance with applicable law, a recount would be conducted. Accordingly, this resolution ordered a runoff election to be held on June 18, 2022, for the unexpired term of District 1. The candidates would be determined upon the completion of a recount, so ordered. She then said a motion could be made to approve the resolution.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Ritter and seconded by Trustee Flores. Motion passed

5. Executive Session

None.

6. Adjournment meeting adjourned at 2:11pm.

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