

## CONSENT AGENDA NO. 6A-2

### Approval of Minutes of the December 5, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the December 5, 2017 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting.

#### **Board Members and Officers Present:**

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton (chair)

Ms. Monica Lira Bravo

Ms. Diana Flores

Dr. Joe May (secretary and chancellor)

Mr. Phil Ritter

Mr. JL Sonny Williams

Ms. Dorothy Zimmermann

#### **Members Absent:**

Mr. Wesley Jameson

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Dallas County Community College District was held Tuesday, December 5, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 4:19 p.m. in the lower level, room 007.

1. **Certification of Notice Posted for the Meeting** was made by Chancellor May.
2. **Pledges of Allegiance** to U.S. and Texas Flags were recited.
3. **Special Presentations**
  - A. Eastfield College Women's Volleyball NJCAA Division Three National Champions: President Jean Conway welcomed the Lady Harvesters and gave a rundown of their accomplishments and honors, as well as recognizing Coach Crisp. Coach Brandon Crisp introduced his team members and spoke about their excellence and achievements. Members of the board gave comments and congratulations. Kalli Caddell, freshman captain, said a few words on behalf of her team and recognized the support of the college and community in their success. Photographs were taken of the team with the board.
  - B. Brookhaven College Women's Soccer NJCAA Division Three National Champions: President Tom Chesney welcomed the Lady Bears and spoke about their academic, as well as athletic strengths and accomplishments. He introduced athletic director Kevin Hurst and Coach Jimmy Elder, thanking them for all their contributions to the team's success. Coach Jimmy Elder introduced each member of his team and described their accomplishments in detail. Members of the

board gave comments and congratulations to everyone. Photographs were taken of the team with the board.

**4. Citizens Desiring to Address the Board**

No speakers.

**5. Comments from the Chancellor and/or Trustees** which may include Acknowledgements, College Updates, Legislative Considerations, Business and Industry Engagements

**A. Chancellor's Updates**

- Chancellor May thanked Trustee Diana Flores for her attendance and networking effort at the THECB leadership conference in Austin the week before. He elaborated briefly on the topics that were discussed i.e. guided pathways, internships, and financial literacy programs. As a conference speaker, he shared how we are addressing student barriers and also spoke about the launch of Dallas County Promise.
- Dr. May recognized Gloria Smith, District Director of Adult Education and Literacy, for her initiative and leadership in Work Ready U, which was recognized recently for its success in adult education.
- The Chancellor also recognized the Brookhaven journalism students for their record-setting 40 awards at the Texas Community College Journalism for the BHC Courier newspaper. Trustee Flores inquired why they were not present and Dr. May stated that we will arrange to have them here.
- Dr. May mentioned that when the board next meets in February, they will see some technology updates made to the boardroom. He stated that updates will continue in our effort to comply with ADA requirements by facilitating closed captioning of meetings when requested by a citizen or employee.
- Among legislative updates given by the Chancellor, he noted the stepping down of Representative Helen Giddings, a major contributor and champion to the district and its causes, such as our baccalaureate degree program, for which she was instrumental in achieving. Dr. May also touched on Washington DC's current activity affecting the colleges. On December 1, House Education Committee Chairwoman Virginia Foxx introduced the PROSPER Act, or HR 4508. He mentioned how she had stated that the reauthorization of HEA should make higher education flexible in training students to enter the workforce and make it easier to apply for FAFSA.

Also discussed was the importance of the Pell Grant and that Chair Foxx has included this issue into the bill.

B. Trustee Comments/Questions

C. Committee Reports

**6. Consent Agenda**

Trustee Flores moved Trustee Bravo seconded to approve items 6A-1, B-2, C-1, and D-1. Motion passed unanimously  
Item 6B-1 was tabled.

**7. Individual Items**

Trustee Bravo moved and Trustee Flores seconded to approve items 7A-1, 2, & 3. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. Policy Items – First Reading**

Trustee Zimmerman asked for clarification on some wording in the policy about salary options and adjustments. General Council Tricia Horatio and Susan Hall both explained the finer points. Trustee Flores asked when stipends for the “hard to find” faculty began and was told that it was about 7 years ago when Ed DePlas was still in charge. Trustee Zimmerman also asked for clarification on the colors and acronyms used in the tracking of changes on the old policy and Tricia and board members discussed. Trustee Zimmerman will contact legal for requested updates to bring back to the board.

**9. Informative Reports**

9C – Chair Compton and board discuss Facilities Management report and John Robertson says they will correct the typo on Page 82 regarding Groves Electric Contract. Trustee Flores expressed concern over completion times for projects to which Tiska Thomas and John Robertson responded.

**10. Executive Session**

Board moved to Executive Session at 4:58 p.m. and returned to the regular board meeting at 5:45 p.m.

**11. Adjournment of Regular Meeting**

Board adjourned at 6:08 p.m.