

CONSENT AGENDA NO. 8.1.a.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for May 2, 2023

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the May 2, 2023, Regular Board meeting.

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Dallas College was held Tuesday, May 2, 2023, beginning at 4:13 p.m. and was broadcasted via the streaming link: <https://dcccnew.swagit.com/events/15167>. The meeting was convened by Chair Bravo.

Board Members and Officers Present

Mr. Cliff Boyd
Ms. Monica Lira Bravo (Chair)
Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton
Ms. Diana Flores
Dr. Catalina Garcia
Dr. Justin H. Lonon (Secretary and Chancellor)
Mr. Paul Mayer
Mr. Phil Ritter (Vice Chair)

Members Absent

None.

1. **Roll Call - Announcement of Quorum** confirmed by Chair Bravo.
2. **Certification of Notice Posted for the Meeting** confirmed by Chancellor Lonon in accordance with section 551.054 of the Texas Government code.
3. **Pledges of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags** recited by Board members.
4. **Citizens Desiring to Address the Board**
No citizens addressed the Board.
5. **Special Presentations**
 - 5.1. Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholars Convention Highlights and Awards

Presenters: Rebekah Benavides, Shawnda Floyd

Chancellor Lonon stated that there were several special presentations along with recognitions of students and staff. He introduced the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) honors society and shared Dallas College's long history of participation with an active chapter at each campus and over 2,200 current members. Dr. Lonon also spoke about PTK Catalyst 2023 annual international convention in Columbus, Ohio with delegates from each of our campuses. He asked Provost Shawnda Floyd to come forward and speak more about PTK.

Dr. Floyd spoke about academic enrichment experiences which included: honors, Skills USA, PTK, Service Learning, and other academic driven programs. She said that by successfully combining programming from all seven campuses, we have, in many cases, doubled student participation with these life changing opportunities. Dr. Floyd asked Dr. Greg Morris, senior vice provost of Academic Services, to come forward and expand on PTK.

Dr. Greg Morris spoke of the privilege to share some experiences about the PTK students, faculty, advisors, and staff who were present. Dr. Morris said that PTK is comprised of about 300,000 students nationwide. He shared highlights of Catalyst 2023 and listed some of the awards received by students, staff, and faculty as well as recognition received by Chancellor Lonon. Dr. Morris acknowledged the faculty that spent extra time to work with PTK. He then introduced student Quincy Smith.

Smith addressed the Board and spoke about the knowledge and leadership skills he gained while attending Catalyst 2023 and the connections he made while there. He also mentioned how the workshops and speeches helped him become a better PTK president.

Dr. Morris introduced PTK Northlake student, Leticia Laranjeira.

Laranjeira spoke about PTK's focus on success, the support system it provides, and how it's helped students realize their full potential educationally and professionally. She highlighted the value of holding office as international vice president of Division II and

recognized some of the individuals and campus chapters for awards they received. She closed by mentioning the support and encouragement she received throughout Dallas College.

Chancellor Lonon congratulated Laranjeira for her accomplishments and noted her modesty regarding those achievements.

PTK students and leadership came forward for a picture with the Board of Trustees.

PTK students presented Chancellor Lonon with a medal from the regional conference.

A picture was taken with those presenting the medal and Dr. Lonon.

5.2. Dallas College Theater Awards

Presenters: Shawnda Floyd, Ahava Silkey-Jones

Chancellor Lonon announced that we were also recognizing theater awards. The Richland Campus theater program entered seven productions in the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival. Dr. Lonon said there were approximately 250 productions eligible for the Region VI area, which consists of colleges and universities in Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. He asked Provost Floyd to come forward and give additional details.

Dr. Floyd emphasized how exciting it was for us to be selected and featured as a Kennedy Center American College Theater awardee, as this was a first for Dallas College. She introduced Ahava Silkey-Jones, the vice provost for the School of Creative Arts, Entertainment, and Design.

Vice Provost Silkey-Jones spoke about the Kennedy Center Festival and the awards received which included 11 awards for Richland campus and three national awards. She said while at the festival, students had the opportunity to participate in workshops

and compete in individual events. She then invited full-time faculty member Andy Long to speak and introduced him, sharing several of his accomplishments.

Long thanked the Board members who attended some of the college's productions, expressing how impactful their presence was to the students. He thanked and recognized individual members of the performing arts staff and administrators as well as Richland President, Dr. Kay Eggleston. He spoke about the Kennedy Center Regional Festival and the intensity of competition at the festival. He named and described the awards received. He then introduced one of the theater students, Kendra Bailey, who was named one of the top 32 actors in Region VI.

Bailey came forward and acknowledged staff members individually who supported the theater program. She shared some of her background and said that her story is similar to many other Dallas College students. She closed with a quote from F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Professor Long stressed the need for event technology in theatrical training by saying that during the COVID shutdown 30% of event technology workforce left the industry and will not come back. He also pointed out that Dallas College has incorporated these skills into their credit transfer program. Next, he introduced student Ava Stipe, winner of the National Stage Management Award and spoke about her upcoming paid internship with the Santa Fe Opera House.

Stipe recounted the story of what led her to Dallas College. She also spoke about her educational experience in the theater program and the impact it has had on her life. She thanked Dallas College, the Board of Trustees, and those individuals who helped in her scholastic journey.

The theater program students and staff came forward for a photo with the Board of Trustees.

5.3. Skills USA Student Awards

Presenters: Shawnda Floyd, Greg Morris

Chancellor Lonon explained that Skills USA is being recognized by the Department of Education and the Department of Labor as a

successful model of employer driven workforce development. Dr. Lonon asked Dr. Floyd to return to the podium and speak about our students' accomplishments.

Dr. Floyd shared additional highlights on Skills USA and asked Dean Maria Boccalandro to come forward and speak about Skills USA and the students.

Boccalandro spoke about Skills USA being student centric, but faculty driven. She spoke about the different areas of competition and the medals Dallas College received. She stated that they were preparing to go to the national competition in Atlanta, Georgia, in June. She then introduced the staff members who support all seven campuses. She introduced student Jesse Cerrano and gave an overview of his background.

Cerrano spoke about the moment being a major milestone in his life and thanked those individuals who helped him along the way. He described his educational experience and accomplishments at Dallas College and said he looked forward to next year and the opportunity to be a leader again.

Boccalandro introduced student Giovanni Turri, described his educational and professional background, and noted his accomplishments.

Turri announced that he will be graduating Spring 2023 with an Associate of Arts and transferring to Paul Quinn with an athletic scholarship to complete his education. He described his experiences with the Skills USA program and the opportunities it provided. He also commented that he was an ESL student just 2 years ago. He closed by thanking the Board for this life-changing opportunity.

Skills USA student presenters and staff came forward for a picture with the Board of Trustees.

5.4. Civil Rights Tour 2023 Highlights

Presenters: Shanee Moore, Christa Slejko

Chancellor Lonon reported that a group of about 100 students, faculty, and staff from all Dallas College campuses participated in the Civil Rights tour, a three-day trip viewing and learning about monuments and museums in Alabama and Mississippi. Dr. Lonon asked Dr. Slejko to come forward and speak more on the event.

Dr. Slejko spoke about the different departments and staff that assisted in this experience. She then asked the leaders of the trip, faculty champion Dr. Roy Vu and Senior Director Shanee Moore to come forward and speak a little more about the trip.

Dr. Vu thanked all those involved for their support. He highlighted how the trip furthered the students' academic studies, noting that in advance of the trip they hosted an annual Civil Rights speaker series where presentations were shared on U.S. civil rights topics. Vu said that this was the first time the trip had participants from all seven campuses. He then introduced Shanee Moore.

Moore noted the contributions of Tiska Thomas, her team, and the executive assistants on this project, as the college was transitioning to Workday simultaneously. Next, Moore introduced student speaker Nathan Steinmetz.

Steinmetz, a student from the North Lake Campus, stated that the tour was one of the most impactful events of his life. In addition, he detailed some of the experiences, places they visited, and people they met.

Halil Hicks, a Mountain View student, addressed the Board next and thanked the students, faculty, and staff and shared some of her experiences during the tour. She explained how she was influenced mentally, spiritually, and emotionally by visiting the Civil Rights sites and museums. She finished by pointing out the power of higher education in transforming lives, saying all have a role in creating a better place in America for themselves and future generations.

The next student, Xavier Chancellor, thanked those present and spoke about his reasons for being on the Civil Rights tour, noting the differences between this year's trip and the one he took last year. He expressed his gratitude to all involved in making this experience possible.

Jayden Vigue from North Lake campus spoke about his experience on the Civil Rights tour, the impact it has had on his life and clarity it brought him.

Director Moore made closing remarks regarding the popularity of this event, the resulting need to cap the number of participants due to limited space, and the need to continue trips like this to enrich students.

Student presenters and staff involved in the Civil Rights tour came forward for a picture with the Board of Trustees.

6. Chancellor and Board Announcements

6.1. Announcements from the Chancellor

Chancellor Lonon acknowledged the presenters and staff who came forward saying that it was representative of what we do as Dallas College.

Dr. Lonon announced we have new marketing and TV broadcast ads to tell the story of the college. The link to those ads will be shared. He acknowledged the marketing team for their work on this project.

He also mentioned upcoming commencement and the extensive effort involved in putting an event of this magnitude together. Over 500 employees volunteered to support our students and the graduation ceremony but noted that additional volunteers were still needed.

6.2. Announcements from the Board Chair and/or Trustees

Trustee Flores thanked the Workforce Scholars for their work and innovation. She expressed hope that it would become a model and that we can get more government organizations to join in the effort.

Trustee Flores also cited the great work done on the value statement and how the invitation was extended to all Dallas College employees desiring to participate.

Next, she said she expressed her appreciation for the social Return on Investment (ROI) that was provided to the Board in two programs and hoped it could be done with all the programs that we have to show their value. In reference to children's programing, she hoped Dallas College would come to be a place where parents find us to be a resource for their children. Parents look for options not just during the summer but throughout the year.

Trustee Flores asked the Chancellor and the Chair of Education and Workforce for a report on community campuses, saying there could be some concerns there. She also remarked they could seek trustee input since they are out in the community and asked that the trustees not be left out.

Vice Chair Ritter announced that on April 20 and 21, UNT Dallas held a conference by their newly established Center for Socioeconomic Mobility through Education. Attendees from Dallas College included Dr. Shawnda Floyd and President Bob Mong. Discussions encompassed strengthening the educational pipeline and ensuring student success and Dallas College played an integral part.

Trustee Garcia made a statement regarding the Dallas College Board of Trustees membership in the Association of Governing Board of Colleges and Universities (AGB) and our alignment with AGB's position, definition, and values on shared governance. She expressed her discord with the proposed changes to Dallas Colleges Board policy on shared governance and is against the changes that are being proposed, urging the Board to revisit this. She pointed out that for shared governance to work it must be based on a culture of meaningful engagement by all and the proposed changes seek to weaken that.

Trustee Mayer spoke of the humbling and exciting opportunity he has been provided in his first year as a member of the Dallas College Board of Trustees and thanked all for the chance to serve.

Trustee Boyd said he thought Dallas College's future to be bright and we were attractive to employers. He relayed his experience attending Innovative Summit in San Diego several weeks ago with 7,200 attendees from all over the world. He also described how Dallas College was better able to bring in innovation on a large-scale model than most community colleges in the world.

Chair Bravo thanked all those who presented and thanked the Chancellor for inviting those groups. She also thanked the Board members who planned to attend graduation next week and noted the bachelor's degrees being conferred.

Chair Bravo then acknowledged one retiree by name, thanking them for 21 years of service.

7. Opportunity for Members of the Board and Chancellor to Declare Conflicts of Interest Specific to this Agenda

No conflicts declared.

8. Consent Agenda

Chair Bravo asked to entertain a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 8.1, 8.2, and 8.3.

Trustee Mayer motioned to approve all Consent Agenda items.

Trustee Boyd seconded the motion.

The Consent Agenda passed at 5:50 p.m. with no abstentions.

8.1. Meeting Minutes

- a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2023.

8.2. Finance Items

- a. Approval of Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Contract for the Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program with the City of Dallas, County of Dallas, Dallas County Hospital District, Dallas Independent School District, and Dallas County Schools District

- b. Approval of an Agreement with ONCOR Delivery Company, LLC for a New Electrical Easement and a New Right-of-Way Agreement for the Satellite Energy Plant at Mountain View Campus
- c. Adoption of Resolutions for a Water Easement Agreement with the City of Dallas to Extend the Water System in the Early College Center at Cedar Valley Campus
- d. Adoption of a Resolution with the City of Dallas for an Easement Abandonment Agreement for the Existing Water System Serving the Early College Center and Nursing Allied Health Building at Mountain View Campus
- e. Adoption of a Resolution with the City of Dallas for a Backflow Release Agreement for the Wastewater System Serving Mountain View Campus
- f. Adoption of Resolution Raising Exemption Amount for Persons Aged 65 or Older and For Disabled Individuals for Tax Year 2023

8.3. Policy Items

- a. Approval of Amendment to Policies Concerning Instruction – Chapter E Local Policies

9. Policy Items - First Reading

Chair Bravo said there were three items for first reading. If anyone had questions or comments regarding those, to reach out to legal counsel.

Trustee Compton asked for clarification on 9.1, asking if that had been brought to the Board.

Associate General Counsel Tricia Horatio responded that a work session regarding the policy had not been held.

Trustee Compton expressed a need for a full discussion and consideration from the Board regarding this policy and to address Trustee Garcia's concerns.

Horatio explained that the policies were a result of the reaffirmation that we were undergoing presently. She said there was a timeline, however a work session could be done at the next Board meeting with the Education and Workforce committee to discuss it, and then it would be up for approval.

Further discussions were had between Assoc. General Counsel Horatio, General Counsel Wendland, and Board members regarding establishing a shared governance policy, the process for action items brought before the Board, and the specific timeline for establishing a shared governance policy.

Chair Bravo stated that they would have a work session on item 9.1.

Trustee Flores stated she looked forward to discussing the establishment of a shared governance policy with Board members in June.

- 9.1. Approval Amendments to Policies BG (LOCAL) Administrative Organization Plan
- 9.2. Approval Amendments to Policies EE (LOCAL) Curriculum Development
- 9.3. Approval Amendments to Policies EFB (LOCAL) Curriculum Design

10. Informative Reports

No comments were made.

- 10.1. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee Notes for April 4, 2023
 - b. Chancellor Performance Review Committee Notes for April 4, 2023
 - c. Education Workforce Committee Notes for April 4, 2023
 - d. Chancellor Performance Review Committee Notes for April 27, 2023
- 10.2. Current Funds Operating Budget Report (March 2023)
- 10.3. Dallas College Foundation Report (March 2023)
- 10.4. Notice of Grant Awards (May 2023)
- 10.5. Workforce & Advancement Ascend Institute Report (March 2023)
- 10.6. Dallas College Human Capital New Hire/Position Report (March 13, 2023 - April 12, 2023)

11. Executive Session

No Executive Session called.

12. Adjournment

Board meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

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