TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Budget Meeting of the Board of Trustees May 21, 2015

5:00 p.m.

- <u>Call to Order</u>. The Board of Trustees conducted its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, May 21, 2015, in the District Offices, May Owen Center, with Mrs. Louise Appleman presiding. Other trustees present were Mrs. Vandergriff, Mr. Carter, Mr. Heede, Dr. Morrison, and Mr. William Greenhill. Also present were Chancellor Erma Johnson Hadley, trustee-elect Theresa Ayala and members of the TCCD staff.
- Consideration and Approval of Certificate of Appreciation for Trustee Robyn Medina Winnett.
 Mrs. Appleman read the certificate of appreciation for Ms. Winnett. Chancellor Hadley publically thanked Ms. Winnett for 13 years of service.
- 3. Swearing-In of Elected Officials. Fort Worth City Councilman Sal Espino administered Oath of Office to Mrs. Ayala (District I). Arlington Mayor Jeff Williams administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Vandergriff (District 3) and Mr. Heede (District 2).

4. Election of Officers.

Mr. Heede nominated Mr. Carter for the office of president. Dr. Morrison nominated Mrs. Appleman. Mr. Carter, Mr. Greenhill and Mr. Heede voted for Mr. Carter. Mrs. Appleman, Dr. Morrison, Mrs. Vandergriff and Mrs. Ayala voted for Mrs. Appleman, who was thereby elected.

Mr. Carter nominated Mr. Heede for the office of vice president. Mrs. Vandergriff nominated Mr. Carter. Mr. Carter, Mr. Greenhill, Mr. Heede, and Mrs. Ayala voted for Mr. Heede. In favor of Mr. Carter were Dr. Morrison, Mrs. Vandergriff and Mrs. Appleman. Mr. Heede was thereby elected.

Mr. Heed nominated Mr. Carter for the office of secretary. Mr. Carter nominated Mr. Greenhill. Mrs. Ayala, Mrs. Vandergriff, Mrs. Appleman, Dr. Morrison and Mr. Heede voted for Mr. Carter. In favor of Mr. Greenhill were Mr. Carter and Mr. Greenhill. Mr. Carter was thereby elected.

Mr. Heed nominated Mr. Greenhill for the office of assistant secretary. There were no other nominations and he was elected unanimously.

5. Public Comment.

Dr. LeBlanc introduced Ismael Castaneda, the recipient from Northwest Campus of a Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship worth up to \$40,000 per year for up to three years. Dr. Coppola introduced Pelkins Ajanoh, one of only 15 students in the U.S. to receive the Guistwhite Scholarship, the second highest scholarship offered by Phi Theta Kappa. Dr. Coppola also introduced Jhoalmo Sibrian, who had been named as a New Century Scholar. He also directed the board's attention to a news article on the All-USA Community College Academic Team. Two of the 20 students

selected nationwide, Jhoalmo Sibrian and Karen Meacham, were from the Southeast Campus. Ms. Meacham also received a Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship.

- Board Budget Workshop. Chancellor Hadley presented the workshop agenda, which included the Legislative Update, Tuition, Salary and Benefits, Tax Rate and CELT Budget Request.
 - Legislative Update The 84th Legislative Sessions ends June 1st. Budget decisions have yet
 to be announced. Much of the budget discussions continue until Senate and House
 negotiators come to agreement on the method and amount of tax relief.

Common course numbering (HB 61) was on the last House Calendar May 14 but time expired before it could be heard. The Senate version of the legislation never received a committee hearing.

Campus Carry is scheduled on the Intent Calendar for debate by the full Senate Thursday, May 21, 2015. Community colleges are requesting exemption.

Success Points and Formula Funding – The conference committee adopted the House approach maintaining the 90-10 split. The only adjustment to the funding level was for the updated contact hours and success points. The net result was an additional \$12.2 million over the House version of the bill. There was no additional enhancement for formula funds.

- Health premiums will have a 7 percent increase in all groups of employees.
- Tuition. Chancellor Hadley asked the board to begin thinking about a possible increase. She
 pointed out that tuition has been at \$55 per credit hour since spring 2013 and that of largest
 10 community colleges in Texas, TCC ranks ninth with only Collin College being less
 expensive for in-district and out-of-district students.
- Salary and Benefits. A salary increase of each 1 percent would cost \$2.07 million.
 Chancellor Hadley asked the board if she should move forward on salary increase exploration. The board asked for more data before committing.
- Tax Rate. Chancellor Hadley said TCC is working on the assumption that the District's tax rate will remain at 0.14950 per \$100 valuation. She also pointed out that TCC is completely debt free.
- Chancellor Hadley presented and explained the CELT's preliminary budget requests. Each
 CELT member had been asked to be very conservative in their requests. She pointed out that
 the age of the South, Northeast and Northwest campuses accounts for much of the budget for
 Real Estate and Facilities. The total of all requested increases is \$56,670,730.
- 7. Board Action Items and Board Related Items.
 - a. Approval of Minutes of the meeting of April 16, 2015: On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Dr. Morrison, the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.
- Consent Agenda.

- 17. Consideration and Approval of Purchase of Microsoft Premier Support Renewal: Amount, \$139,910. On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mrs. Vandergriff, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the purchase.
- 18. Consideration and Approval of Purchase of Infrastructure Hardware from Flair DataSystems for South Campus Energy Technology Center: Amount, \$148,916.16. On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mrs. Vandergriff, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the purchase.
- 19. Consideration and Approval of Contract Amendment with AT&T Inter-Campus Circuits:

 Amount, \$266,445 (3 Year Contract). On a motion by Mrs. Vandergriff, seconded by Mr. Heede, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the contract amendment.
- 20. Consideration and Approval of Purchase of an Instrumentation and Process Control Training System: Amount, \$151,518.00. On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Heede, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the purchase.
- 21. Consideration and Approval of Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contracting Method for Project Delivery and Approval of Pool for Environmental Consulting Services for a Period of Three (3) Years: Amount, no amount. On a motion by Dr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the IDIQ method and pool.
- 22. Consideration and Approval of Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contracting Method for Project Delivery and Approval of Pool for Test and Balance Services for a Period of Three (3) Years: Amount, no amount. On a motion by Mr. Carter, seconded by Mrs. Vandergriff, the board voted, 7-0, to approve the IDIQ method and pool.
- 23. Monthly Financial Report: Mr. McClendon reported revenue for the fiscal year is at 88 percent of budget while expenditures are at 66 percent. The investment portfolio stood at \$290 million at the end of April 2015, and the overall yield was .51 percent.

24. Chancellor's Report.

- a. New Staff Member Introductions: None
- b. Campus Accolades: Accolades were presented during public comment.
- c. Recent Activities: Chancellor Hadley called attention to her meeting with Dr. Vistasp Karbhari, president of UT- Arlington at which they discussed a partnership to help students make a seamless transition from an associate's degree at TCC to a baccalaureate degree at UTA. Dr. Karbhari informed the Chancellor that 65 percent of transfer students to UTA come from TCC and that they perform at the same or higher level than students who started at UTA as freshmen.

25. Board President's Report.

 Mr. Greenhill attended the Jim Bolen Math Competition Awards on April 23, 2015 at Trinity River Campus. The 2015 TCC team placed second among Texas teams, second in the Southwest region and 19th of 190 colleges nationally.

- Mrs. Appleman reported on a visit by TCC's Achieving the Dream coaches last month.
- Mrs. Appleman, along with the chancellor, visited the Southeast Campus Early College High School.
- Mrs. Appleman attended the Leadership TCC graduation.
- Mrs. Appleman congratulated Dr. Morrison for receiving her MBA and Mrs. Vandergriff for being named district director for Congresswoman Kay Granger.
- 26. Closed Meeting. at 8:04 p.m. Mrs. Appleman called for a closed meeting on the following subjects, recessing the open meeting, which was resumed at 8:42 p.m.
 - Deliberation Real Property, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code. The real property discussion will address the purchase, improvement, exchange, lease or value of real estate to include to include recommendations from the Institutional Plan and deliberation and discussion of the purchase of warehouse property.
 - Deliberation on Personnel Matters, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.
 - Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code. For purposes of a private consultation with board's attorney on any subjects or matters authorized by law. The deliberation will include any pending/contemplated litigation.
- 27. Consideration and Action on Closed Meeting Items: Mrs. Ayala moved that the board authorize the Chancellor to purchase the property located at 1501, 1502 and 1503 W. Hurst Boulevard, Hurst, Texas 76053, under the terms set forth in the commercial contract between LJJL Enterprises and Tarrant County College. Mr. Greenhill seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.
- 28. Adjournment and Announcement of Next Meeting. Mrs. Appleman announced that the board will next meet at 6 p.m. on June 18, 2015, at the May Owen Center. She adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Louise Appleman, President

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