

TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

June 17, 2021

6:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order.** The Board of Trustees conducted its monthly Board meeting on June 17, 2021 at the Trinity River Campus, with Ms. Teresa Ayala presiding. Other Trustees present were Mr. Kenneth Barr, Mr. William Greenhill, Mr. Leonard Hornsby and Ms. Jeannie Deakyne. Dr. Gwendolyn Morrison and Ms. Shannon Wood were also present via video conferencing. Also present were Chancellor Giovannini and members of the TCCD staff.

Ms. Ayala read the following statement.

On March 13, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott issued a Declaration of Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 virus outbreak. Subsequently, on March 16, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted in the Declaration, Governor Abbott temporarily suspended the application of certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551, in order to permit telephonic open meetings. This was an effort to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus by avoiding large group meetings while still ensuring continued governmental operations and preserving transparency in the decision-making process. Tarrant County College District gave notice of its intent to conduct a video conference / open meeting thereafter and of its intent to permit the public to make comment at the meeting by telephone.

2. **Public Comment/Special Presentation.** None
3. **Board Action Items and Board Business Related Items.**

- a. TCC Foundation Board Appointment

On a motion by Mr. Hornsby to nominate Ms. Ayala to occupy the seat on the TCC Foundation Board, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the appointment was unanimously approved.

- b. Audit and Finance Committee Appointment (3 appointments)

Appointment 1: On a motion by Ms. Deakyne to nominate Mr. Hornsby to occupy the seat on the Audit and Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the appointment was unanimously approved by acclamation.

Appointment 2: On a motion by Mr. Hornsby to nominate Mr. Greenhill to occupy the seat on the Audit and Finance Committee, seconded by Ms. Deakyne, the appointment was unanimously approved by acclamation.

Appointment 3: On a motion by Ms. Ayala to nominate Dr. Morrison to occupy the seat on the Audit and Finance Committee, seconded by Ms. Wood, the appointment was unanimously approved by acclamation.

c. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2021.

On a motion by Dr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the minutes were unanimously approved.

d. Approval of Work Session Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the minutes were unanimously approved.

e. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the minutes were unanimously approved.

f. Trustee Activities

Mr. Greenhill announced a save the date for the annual meeting of the Community College Association of Texas Trustees (CCATT) and Board of Trustees Institute (BOTI) 2021 from September 16 -18 in Austin TX. Mr. Greenhill encourage members of the Board of Trustees at TCC to attend this event.

Dr. Morrison attended a virtual meeting of the CCATT Legislative Session and reported that there are still needs to be addressed and stressed the need to stay vigilant and involved in the state process to keep the legislators aware of the needs. She thanked Mr. Greenhill for his leadership on the Legislative Session Board. Dr. Morrison thanked Chancellor Giovannini and TCC staff for their diligence in student engagement and activities. As a member of the Juneteenth committee, she participated in presenting an award to Ms. Opal Lee for her dedication towards making Juneteenth a Federal holiday. During the Juneteenth event, Ms. Lee received a phone call from the White House to inform her that the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act had passed. Dr. Morrison also congratulated the NE campus Student Services team and students of TCC for the outstanding program celebrating Juneteenth.

Ms. Ayala attended Freedom Day hosted by the Arlington Black Chamber at the Globe Life Park to celebrate Juneteenth. The theme for the 5th annual event was “Still Breaking the Chains of Our Past”. TCC was well represented for this event with Ms. Nita Haliburton, Advisor at Southeast Campus, she is also the Chairwoman at the Arlington Black Chamber. Also, in attendance was Dr. Michael Evans, Mayor of Mansfield and former TCC Board of Trustees member. He delivered a moving address of hope and call to action to a sold-out crowd at Globe Life Park. Ms. Ayala thanked Dr. Giovannini and Campus Presidents that also attended this event.

4. **Consideration and Approval of the Consent Agenda.**

- a. Consideration and Approval of Resolution Granting Authority to the Chancellor until October 1, 2021, to Establish Rules and Procedures He Deems Necessary and Appropriate to Combat the Spread of the COVID-19 Virus.
- b. Consideration and Approval of Contract Renewal with Veracity Aviation, LLC. for Professional Helicopter Flight Training for Professional Pilot Program for Two Years in the Amount of \$500,000.00.
- c. Consideration and Approval of Engagement with McGriff, Seibels & Williams, Inc., as Agent for Owner's Protective Professional Indemnity (OPPI) Supplemental Insurance for the NW Campus Re-Development Project for 5 Yrs Estimated Amount of \$232,500.00.
- d. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Weaver & Tidwell, L.L.P. for External Financial Auditing Services for an Initial Term of Two (2) Years with a Total Cost of \$290,000.00.
- e. Consideration and Approval of Contract with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC and Tijerina Galvan Lawrence for Financial Advisory Services for 2 Years with Options to Renew 3 Additional Years for Cost Up to \$500,000 in Conjunction with Future Bond Sales.
- f. Ratification of Agreement with FW Transportation Authority, for Student Transportation; Chancellor to Execute a Letter of Commitment to Substitute Funds from the North Central TX Council of Governments; Remit Funds to TCC Foundation for Scholarships.
- g. Consideration and Approval of Elsevier Nursing Assessment Tools for the Fall 2021, Spring 2022, and Summer 2022 Nursing Cohorts for a Total Amount of \$370,000.00 (Not to Exceed).
- h. Consideration and Approval of Assessment Technology Institute (ATI) Skills Building Products for the Fall 2021, Spring 2022, and Summer 2022 Nursing Cohorts for a Total Amount \$325,000.00 (Not to Exceed).
- i. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Shimadzu Medical Systems, Inc. for the Purchase of a Shimadzu X-Ray Machine in the Amount of \$194,000.00 (Not to Exceed).
- j. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc. for the Purchase of a Nuclear Medicine Gamma Camera in the Amount of \$260,804.00 (Not to Exceed).
- k. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Learning Care Group for the Child Care Assistance Program in the Amount of \$416,000,00.
- l. Consideration and Approval of 3-year Enterprise Agreement for Cisco Unified Communications with General Datatech, L.P. for a Total Amount of \$695,131.20 (Annual cost of \$231,710.40).
- m. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Lumen (CenturyLink) for District wide

Telephone Services at the TCCD Data Center on the Trinity River Campus and TCCD's Overflow Site in Allen, TX, for 3 Year in the Amount of \$278,928.00.

On a motion by Mr. Barr, seconded by Ms. Deakyne the consent agenda items were unanimously approved.

5. Consideration and Approval of Individual Action Items.

- a. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Multiple Firms for Professional, Qualified Practitioners/Learning Organizations for Training to the Business Community for 2 Years with Three 1 Year Options to Renew Up to an Annual Amount of \$1,000,000.00.

On a motion by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the item was unanimously approved.

- b. Consideration and Approval of Contract with US Aviation Group for Pilot Flight Training for Professional Pilot Program for Three Years in the Amount of \$2,000,000.00.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Barr, the item was unanimously approved.

- c. Consideration of Contract with Prestige Elevator Company for Elevator Maintenance and Repair Services for an Initial Twenty-Six (26) Month Term in the Amount of \$304,772.00 and Total 5 Years and 2 Months Amount of \$726,764.00.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Barr, the item was unanimously approved.

- d. Consideration and Approval of an Amendment to the Contract with Beck Architecture for the Districtwide Wayfinding and Signage in the Amount of \$561,580.40.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the item was unanimously approved.

- e. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Skanska USA Building Inc. for Buildings 1 and 2 of the Redevelopment Construction Project on the Northwest Campus in the Amount of \$105,134,731.00.

On a motion by Ms. Deakyne, seconded by Mr. Barr, the item was unanimously approved.

- f. Consideration and Approval of Construction Contract with Chambers Engineering for the Trinity River Parking Garage and the Trinity River Campus East Parking Lot Improvements in the Amount of \$1,211,696.00.

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the item was unanimously approved.

- g. Consideration and Approval of Construction Manager Agreement, General Conditions and Exhibits with Byrne/Potere/Hunt, Joint Venture, Inc. for Pre-Construction Services at SE Campus Renovation/Expansion, in the Amount of \$125,000.00 (Not to Exceed).

On a motion by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the item was unanimously approved.

- h. Consideration and Approval of the Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Perkins + Will, Inc. for Additional Design Services on the Southeast Campus Renovation and Expansion Project, in the Amount of \$5,863,765.00 (Not to Exceed).

On a motion by Ms. Deakyne, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the item was unanimously approved.

- i. Consideration and Approval of the Amendment to the Agreement with Jacobs Project Management Company for Asset Management Support Related to the 2019 Bond Program in the Amount of \$2,040,610.00 (Not to Exceed).

This item is withdrawn from consideration this month.

6. Monthly Financial Report Information.

Chief Operating Officer Susan Alanis reported the financials as follows for May 2021. Total income is at 94.4 percent, total expenses is at 67.9 percent. Pools increased by \$4.1 million. \$30 million Treasury Bills matured in May. Total Portfolio decreased by \$26.0 million during May to an ending balance of \$776.8 million. Yield was 0.47 percent at May 31, 2021 and the WAM was at 116 days.

Ms. Alanis mentioned that the property tax collections continue to exceed budget and by about \$10 million which offsets the loss in tuition revenue this past year. TCC continues to experience savings on expenditures due to the campuses not being fully operational due to COVID-19. Ms. Alanis stated that the Board of Trustees received briefings from the financial advisors on revising the investment policy with the intent to improve the investment returns on our portfolio.

7. Chancellor's Report Information.

- a. Update on Exercise of Authority – None for the month of May.
- b. College Accolades.
- b. Recent Activities.

Chancellor Giovannini reported on some accolades throughout the district. The Mansfield Early College High School had its first graduating class, all 53 students graduated with their high school diplomas and 45 of the 53 students also received their Associate Degree. At the Arlington Early College High School 96 students graduated with their high school diplomas and 90 students also received their Associates Degree. Dr. Giovannini provided each Trustees with the first edition of the

Lens magazine. This is the first publication of a quarterly production that will focus on Work Force and Economic Development issues from Ms. Shannon Bryant and the Economic Corporate Solutions division. The intended audience includes chambers, site selectors, businesses primarily related to learning, development and training. This publication compliments the monthly podcast the Ms. Bryant does with various guests. Dr. Giovannini also included a calendar of Work Session and Board meeting dates for the upcoming academic year. Dr. Giovannini mentioned to the Trustees of a tentative budget work session in early August. Finally, he shared that the League of Innovation in Community Colleges whose mission is to cultivate innovations in community colleges announced a launch of the new online course sharing consortium. TCC is one of five colleges in this consortium, this gives visibility and opportunities for TCC programs and services through TCC Connect to be taken throughout the country. There will be no Work Session and Board meeting in July.

Dr. Morrison shared a news article in the Dallas Morning News about the Visions Unlimited Program the article was titled "Take Me or Save Me", a TCC student's journey from homeless to degree. Dr. Morrison stated that although she approved the Contract with Learning Care Group for the Child Care Assistance Program, she would like to continue to discuss this further to provide affordable and accessible childcare for TCC students. Finally, Dr. Morrison would like more information on the partnerships with companies TCC is utilizing for the Bond project.

8. **Closed Session:**

The Board entered a closed session meeting at 6:42pm in order to discuss matters permitted by the following sections of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

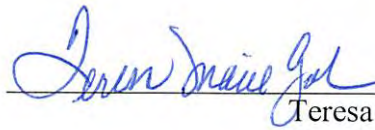
- a. Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney
To see the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
 - i. Legal issues regarding any item listed on today's District Board Meeting agenda.
- b. Section 551.072, Deliberations Regarding Real Property
Deliberate the purchase, sale, exchange, lease or value of real property where deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third party.
- c. Section 551.074, Deliberations on Personnel Matters
Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
- d. Section 551.076, Deliberations on Security Devices or Security Audits
Deliberate regarding the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices.

The Board may reconvene in open session and act on any item listed on the Executive Session Agenda in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

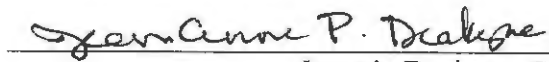
9. **Consideration and Action on Closed Session Items.**

10. **Adjournment and Announcement of Next Meeting.**

The Board Meeting reconvened and adjourned with no action taken at 6:57pm. The meeting adjourned at 6:58pm. The next Work Session Meeting will be on Thursday, August 12, 2021 and Monthly Board Meeting will be Thursday, August 19, 2021.



Teresa Ayala, President
Board of Trustees



Jeannie Deakayne, Secretary
Board of Trustees