TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Meeting of the Board of Trustees
December 16, 2021
6:00 p.m.

1. <u>Call to Order</u>. The Board of Trustees conducted its monthly Board meeting on December 16, 2021 at the Trinity River Campus, with Ms. Teresa Ayala presiding. Other Trustees present were Mr. Kenneth Barr, Mr. William Greenhill, Mr. Leonard Hornsby, Dr. Gwendolyn Morrison, Ms. Shannon Wood and Ms. Jeannie Deakyne. Also present were Chancellor Giovannini and members of the TCCD staff.

2. Public Comment/Special Presentation. None

3. Board Action Items and Board Business Related Items.

a. Approval of Work Session Meeting Minutes - November 11, 2021.

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

b. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2021.

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

c. Approval of Audit and Finance Committee Report and Appointment of Committee Chair

The Audit and Finance Committee voted to receive the 2021 Annual Report and recommended the board do the same, the receipt of the report was unanimously approved by the board.

d. Trustee Announcements

Dr. Morrison spoke about the passing of the founding Chancellor of Tarrant County Junior College, Dr. Joe B. Rushing at the age of 100. Last week Dr. Morrison hosted the 7th Annual State of the Six, Community Visioning Forum, this event engages citizens and elected officials in conversations to collect and share concerns, ideas, issues and questions regarding future education, economic development, and revitalization of the Stop Six area of Fort Worth. Chancellor Giovannini presented during these discussions along with City, County and State representatives.

Mr. Greenhill attended several campus holiday celebrations and had a wonderful time celebrating with students and staff members. Mr. Greenhill along with several members of the Board of Trustees attended the TCC Foundation Grateful for You event last week.

Mr. Hornsby attended the First Choice Graduation at Southeast campus; this program helps students with accommodations to be successful in society. He also attended the announcement of the Juneteenth National Museum in Fort Worth. Ms. Opal Lee, also known as the Grandmother of Juneteenth and Mr. Bob Ray Sanders were present for this announcement. Mr. Hornsby joined former Board of Trustees Mansfield Mayor Dr. Michael Evans at Dunbar High School for the Dad's Club meeting. The Dad's Club provides opportunities for dads and their children to connect at Dunbar High School to share wisdom and make connections. Finally, last Saturday Mr. Hornsby was a bell ringer with the Salvation Army with Mayors from across Tarrant County including Mayor Dr. Michael Evans as part of the Mayors Challenge.

Ms. Wood attended the Parade of Lights and commented on the TCC float, she was joined by members of the nursing program, it was a great opportunity to meet members of the community. Ms. Wood also attended a Jazz Concert at Northeast campus showcasing some wonderful jazz musicians.

Ms. Deakyne and Mr. Greenhill attended the Northeast campus holiday celebration with faculty and staff members. Ms. Deakyne attended Arlington's 19th Annual Parade of Lights. She also attended the Junior League of Arlington Festival of Trees display at the Junior League of Arlington Community Service Center. This year TCC was represented with a tree for display called the Success Within Reach tree decorated by Ms. Deakyne. She will be attending the Awaken Ensemble Concert at the First United Methodist Church. This year's event is partnering with Southeast campus to collect food for the Southeast campus food pantry.

Mr. Barr and members of the Board of Trustees attended the TCC Foundation Grateful for You event at Acres Distillery. This was an opportunity to thank and engage with supporters of TCC.

Ms. Ayala recognized Elizabeth Northern, Senior Research Analyst in the office of Institutional Research for winning the national 100K race. Ms. Ayala reflected on the various milestones and highlights throughout the year at TCC. Some of the highlights included 6,968 graduates, 8321 degrees and certificates awarded, 294 Early College students received associate degree and high school diplomas. TCC Foundation awarded \$923,640 in scholarships, the average scholarship award per year is \$1800 and the Eliminating Barriers Emergency Assistance Fund awarded \$122, 221 to help students stay in school and overcome life's obstacles. TCC enrolled 1301 veterans in the Fall. Enrollment of TCC Connect campus enrollment increased by 9.5 percent from fall of 2020 to 2021. Finally, TCC onboarded 521 TCC-T3 scholars in Cohort 1.

4. Consideration and Approval of the Consent Agenda.

- a. Consideration and Approval of the Purchase of Hardware from Apple Incorporated to Acquire Apple Macintosh Computing Devices for Labs in the Amount of \$430,972.05
- b. Consideration and Approval of the Purchase of Hardware from Microsoft Corporation and Pathway Communications, LTD to Acquire Mobile Education and Conferencing Devices in the Amount of \$439,434.46
- c. Consideration and Approval of Hardware Purchase from Advanced Tech. Consultants, SHI Gov't Solutions, Oxford Medical Sim., Microsoft Corp, gigXR, and Skilitics Health to Acquire Virtual and Augmented Reality Software and Devices in Amount of \$378,896.50

On a motion by Mr. Barr seconded by Dr. Morrison the consent agenda items were unanimously approved.

5. Consideration and Approval of Individual Action Items.

- a. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Air Balancing Company, Inc. for Testing and Balancing Services, on the Southeast Campus Renovation and Expansion Project, in the Amount Not to Exceed \$728,520.00
 - On a motion by Ms. Deakyne, seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the item was unanimously approved.
- b. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Terracon Consultants, Inc., for Materials Testing Services, on the Southeast Campus Renovation and Expansion Project, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$159,478.40
 - On a motion by Dr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Greenhill, the item was unanimously approved as amended.
- c. Consideration and Approval of a Letter of No Objection to the Foreign Trade Zones (FTZ) Board Allowing for the FTZ Designation through the Alliance Corridor FTZ for TTI, Inc. for the Facility Located at 5050 Mark IV Parkway, Fort Worth, TX On a motion by Mr. Barr, seconded by Ms. Deakyne, the item was unanimously approved.
- d. Consideration and Approval of Payment of Tarrant College District's Pro-Rata Allocation of the Tarrant Appraisal District 2022 Budget for Services Associated with Levying a Property Tax in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,386,704.36 On a motion by Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Dr. Morrison, the item was unanimously approved.

5. Monthly Financial Report Information.

Chief Operating Officer Susan Alanis reported the financials as follows for November 2021. Total income is at 20.3 percent, total expenses is at 27.2 percent. Pools increased by \$5.8 million. No Treasury Bills activity in November. Total Portfolio increased by \$5.5 million during November to an ending balance of \$681.2 million. Yield was 0.38 percent at November 30, 2021 and the WAM was at 90 days.

6 Chancellor's Report Information.

a. College Accolades

Dr. Giovannini highlighted a few of the many accolades at Tarrant County College. Yesterday, Chancellor had the opportunity to be involved with the United States, Mexico and Canada International Summit for building a better workforce. TCC was the only US college recognized several times including the work that the Corporate Solutions team is doing, as it relates to the Hillwood development in the Alliance Airport. Dr. Giovannini wished the Board of Trustees and everyone a healthy and Happy Holiday season.

Closed Session. None

The Board may enter a closed session meeting in order to discuss matters permitted by the following sections of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. Section 551.074, Deliberations on Personnel Matters
 Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
- e. 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.

7. Consideration and Action on Closed Session Items.

8. Adjournment and Announcement of Next Meeting.

Ms. Ayala thanked the trustees for their service during 2021 and wished all a Happy Holidays. The next Work Session Meeting will be on Thursday, January 13, 2022 and Monthly Board Meeting will be Thursday, January 20, 2022. On a motion from Dr. Morrison and seconded by Mr. Hornsby, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Teresa Marie Ayala, President Board of Trustees

Jeannie Deakyne, Secretary Board of Trustees