

# TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

June 23, 2022

6:00p.m.

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1. **Call to Order.** The Board of Trustees conducted its monthly Board meeting on June 23, 2022 at the Trinity River Campus, with Ms. Teresa Ayala presiding. Other Trustees present were Mr. Leonard Hornsby, Mr. Kenneth Barr, Mr. William Greenhill, Dr. Gwendolyn Morrison, and Ms. Jeannie Deakyne. Also present were Acting Chancellor Dr. Elva LeBlanc and members of the TCCD staff.

2. **Public Comment/Special Presentation.**

There was no public comment/special presentation

3. **Board Action Items and Board Business Related Items.**

- a. Approval of Work Session Minutes for May 12, 2022

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

- b. Approval of Monthly Board Meeting Minutes for May 26, 2022

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

- c. Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes for June 2, 2022 meeting,

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

- d. Trustee Activities

Mr. Hornsby attended the annual meeting of Community College Association of Texas Trustees (CCATT) along with other Board members. He also shared that he met a young man, Roosevelt Skaggs, who is a computer science major at Princeton University, who stated that his interest in computers was sparked at College for Kids on the Southeast Campus. Mr. Skaggs had written about his appreciation for the program and TCCD. Mr. Hornsby said this was a wonderful testimony of the impact that TCCD on the lives on families. Dr. LeBlanc stated that today was the final day of the 2022 College for Kids program at the Southeast Campus.

Mr. Greenhill spoke about the Rainwater Charitable Foundation which selected 30 Rainwater Scholars from the 2022 senior class from Fort Worth Public Schools who demonstrate a commitment to leadership and serving others. Mr. Greenhill congratulated the four TCCD early college high school students who were recognized

and awarded with this scholarship. Mr. Greenhill also talked about an article in Fort Worth Inc. magazine which highlighted TCCD's role in filling the large gap in the nursing field. In May, TCCD had its' largest graduating nursing class yet. Mr. Greenhill extended his congratulations to TCCD's Nursing Graduates. Finally, Mr. Greenhill spoke about the Outstanding Leadership Award he received at the CCATT's annual meeting. Mr. Greenhill stated that he was very grateful for the award and very proud to have served on the CCATT's Board of Trustees. He spoke about the importance of advocating for community colleges. Ms. Ayala commended Mr. Greenhill for his contributions to TCCD.

Dr. Morrison stated that this has been an amazing month of celebrations of various kinds. Dr. Morrison spoke about the work TCCD is doing to ensure that our schools are safe and thanked TCCD staff for the work they do to keep us safe. Dr. Morrison spoke about the Juneteenth Independence Day Celebration she attended at the South Campus, with Ms. Opal Lee also in attendance. Dr. Morrison highlighted other attendees and performances at the event. Additionally, Dr. Morrison spoke about attending the TCC Legends Gala, a corporate event hosted by the TCC Foundation. Dr. Morrison also spoke about attending a performance at the Isis Theater featuring TCCD alumni.

Ms. Deakyne attended a Memorial Day Ceremony at the Texas State Cemetery. She commented that this event was special because it was focused on bringing in high school students to learn about veterans who have served the state of Texas and the legacy of their lives. Ms. Deakyne spoke about another event she attended in celebration of Texas Women Veterans Day, where she was a guest speaker along with Lena Jackson Lynch, Mayor of Denton Gerard Hudspeth, and Mayor of Flower Mound Mayor Derek France. Finally, Ms. Deakyne discussed the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pell Grant. She spoke of the importance and impact of Pell Grants and how today these grants form the cornerstone of our nation's efforts to create a financial pathway for low-income students to attend college.

Mr. Barr also attended the CCATT Conference with Ms. Ayala, Mr. Hornsby, and Mr. Greenhill. Mr. Barr extended his praise to Mr. Greenhill for the leadership award he received. He stated that the most significant thing he took away for the conference was a growing recognition in Texas about the importance of community colleges. He spoke about the state commission that is currently at work and will report in the Fall regarding community college funding, which is setting the stage for community colleges to have an impact in the upcoming legislative session. He also observed that TCC stacks up very well against what other community colleges across the state are doing. One of the sessions he attended was related to foundations and what is being done in different parts of the state. Mr. Barr believes this session offered some ideas that can be very valuable to the TCC Foundation.

Ms. Ayala highlighted some other takeaways from the CCATT Conference, including a strong focus on student success and working towards student success. She noted that a strong emphasis was placed on collaboration and that community colleges will be partnering up to help move the needle and be more impactful within the legislative body. She spoke about a Chairs meeting that was held, at the recommendation of Mr. Greenhill, which provided very good dialogue between colleges of all sizes, noting that

they plan on working more closely together. Ms. Ayala extended her congratulations to TCC's recent Oncor graduates, the firsts cohort of interns that completed the program with TCC's partnership with Oncor. This class was part of Oncor's Secondary Education Outreach Program, in which students were selected from Fort Worth ISD's collegiate high school. Ms. Ayala mentioned that this is an example of the strength of the partnerships that TCC has created. Finally, Ms. Ayala shared a photo she took of a group of student nurses in the TR Campus Bookstore who were excitedly gathered to receive their uniforms for the semester. She stated that this goes to show how students are committed to succeeding.

4. Briefing: Faculty Tenure

Jeff Ling, President of Evergreen Solutions, presented a briefing regarding Faculty Tenure at TCCD.

5. **Consideration and Approval of Individual Action Items..**

- a. Consideration and Approval of Contract Renewal for the Purchase of 134 Security Cameras to Provide 24 x 7 x 365 Monitoring of Network Wiring Closets and 5-year Maintenance Agreement from GTS in the Amount of \$149,913.84

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

- b. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Edmentum Holdings for the Annual Renewal in the Amount of \$99,990.00

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

- c. Consideration and Approval of a Three-year Renewal of the Ellucian Maintenance in the Amount of \$2,578,596.00 (\$859,532.00 Annually)

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

- d. Consideration and Approval of the Renewal of Rosetta Stone for Online Language Application in the Amount of \$105,215.00

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

- e. Consideration and Approval of the Purchase of a 3-year Agreement from General Data Tech (GDT) for Pentera Automated Penetration Testing in the Amount of \$285,000.00 (\$95,000 Annually)

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

- f. Consideration and Approval of the Renewal of the VMware Enterprise License Agreement (ELA) from VMWare for a Four-Year Term in the Total Amount of \$3,999,997.98 (Approximately \$1,000,000.00 annually)

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill seconded by Dr. Morrison the item was unanimously approved.

- g. Consideration and Approval of the Amendment to the Lonestar Education and Research Network (LEARN) contract for 36-months in the Amount of \$636,393.24

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

- h. Consideration and Approval of Elsevier Nursing Assessment Tools for the Fall 2022, Spring 2023, and Summer 2023 Nursing Cohorts for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$340,000.00

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

- i. Consideration and Approval of Contract with Assessment Technology Institute for Licensure Exam Support Tools for the Fall 2022, Summer 2023, and Spring 2023 Nursing Cohorts for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$340,000.00

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

- j. Consideration and Approval of Service Authorization with Air Balancing Company, Inc. to Provide Testing and Balancing Services for the Building Automation System Upgrades at the SE Campus Science & Technology Building, in the Amount of \$137,120.00

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

- k. Ratification of Payment to McGraw-Hill Education for ALEKS Software for Math 0090 Students for Academic YR 2021-22 in the Amount of \$116,400 and Authorization of Agreement for Academic YR 2022-23 and 2023-24 in Annual Amount of \$200,000.00

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

- l. Consideration & Approval of Amendment #1 to Contract with Allied Universal

Security for Armed Security & Dispatchers for TCC Campuses & Communications Center for 2 YRs with Option to Renew Up to 3 Additional 1 YR at an Annual Cost of \$1,556,900.80

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

m. Consideration and Approval of Ratification of Contract with Dini Spheris to Provide Strategic Development Planning for the TCC Foundation in the Amount of \$250,000.00 (Not to Exceed).

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

#### **6. Monthly Financial Report Information.**

Chief Operating Officer Susan Alanis reported the financials as follows for May 2022. TCCD is on track to receive 100% of the tax revenues for the year. Total income is at 91.7% percent, total expenses is at 69% percent. Mallory Sampson of PFM presented an Investment Update to discuss current and future investment market outlook. Ms. Sampson also gave a general overview of the relationship between PFM and TCCD. Susan Alanis presented to monthly bond program report and pointed out that the Board would learn more about the Master Plan in an upcoming retreat.

#### **7 Acting Chancellor's Report Information.**

- a. Dr. LeBlanc introduced Dr. Allyson Wattle, as the new District Director of Faculty Affairs at TCCD. Dr. Wattle expressed her excitement to join the TCCD family and spoke about her plans and goals for the Office of Faculty Affairs.
- b. Dr. LeBlanc discussed this month's accolades and made special note of Shannon Bryant's participation at the 2022 Aviation Leadership Conference. Dr. LeBlanc presented a news story from WFAA discussing the current pilot shortage and how TCCD's aviation program is helping to train the next generation of airline pilots.

Ms. Alanis shared information regarding the Bond Sale postponement and also spoke about an opportunity she and two of the PFM financial advisors had to attend a TCC Economics class to talk to the students about the Bond Sale.

#### **8. Closed Session.**

The Board may enter into a closed session meeting 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 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.**

The Board reconvened from Closed Session and President Ayala stated that Dr. Eugene Giovannini has resigned as Chancellor of Tarrant County College. On a motion from Mr. Greenhill, seconded by Dr. Morrison, the Board voted unanimously to exercise the District's right pursuant to Section 5.3 of Dr. Giovannini's employment agreement, to direct Dr. Giovannini to vacate the office of the Chancellor of Tarrant County College District with immediate effect.

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

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 9:23pm. The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees is June 2, 2022 at 3:00pm there will not be a Work Session meeting in June, the Monthly Board Meeting will be Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 6:00pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:26pm.

  
Teresa Marie Ayala, President  
Board of Trustees

  
Jeannie Deakyne, Secretary  
Board of Trustees