

TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

August 18, 2022

6:00p.m.

1. **Call to Order.** The Board of Trustees conducted its monthly Board meeting on August 18, 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, Ms. Shannon Wood, and Ms. Jeannie Deakyne. Also present were Interim Chancellor Dr. Elva LeBlanc and members of the TCCD staff.

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

Mr. Daniel Bennett presented a comment regarding the Tarrant Appraisal District, local taxation, and local TIFS.

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

a. Approval of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees Minutes for June 2, 2022

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

b. Approval of Board of Trustees Minutes for June 23, 2022

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

c. Approval of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees Minutes for June 24, 2022

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

d. Approval of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees Minutes for June 25, 2022

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

e. Trustee Activities

Ms. Wood had the privilege of attending the Basic Peace Officer's Graduation. She thanked Steven Keller, Director of Public Safety Training and Dr. Damian Ing for extending an invitation to her.

Dr. Morrison spoke about the 9th Annual Breakfast with Our Elders which took place virtually on the first Friday in August to honor and recognize community leaders who's legacy of commitment to education and leadership to service has improved the lives of so many and moved forward the importance and agenda of equity in the community. 13 citizens were honored at this event. Dr. Morrison looks forward to celebrating the 10th anniversary next year in person. She extended her gratitude to Dr. LeBlanc for making time in her schedule to speak at this event.

Ms. Ayala extended her gratitude and congratulations to the Trinity River Campus for hosting the Cuidado Casero Scholarship Dinner which was very well attended. This event is for scholarship students who are bilingual and attending nursing classes at TCC. The event raised close to \$60,000 for future scholarships. Ms. Ayala also spoke of FWISD Trustee Roxanne Martinez's visit to the TREK Campus and learn more about the programs offered here at TCC. Finally, Ms. Ayala spoke about the Juntos Se Puede scholarship event. This program offers scholarships to students in specific zip codes in under-served communities. State Representative Romero was there to speak about his experience as a TCC student and what TCC and education have done for him. Ms. Ayala extended her gratitude to all the organizations as they give scholarships to those who are attending our schools.

New Staff Introduction: Dr. Zarina Blankenbaker introduced Dr. Thomas Sosa, Northwest Campus Vice President for Academic Affairs.

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

- a. Consideration & Approval of Purchase of Lab Kits for TCC Connect Online & Weekend College Biology 1408 & 1409 Courses from Barnes & Noble College at Estimated Cost Not to Exceed \$340,000 Annually through Current 5-year Term Barnes & Noble Agreement
- b. Consideration & Approval of Contract with EdFinancial Services, LLC d.b.a. EdAmerica to Provide Financial Aid Call Center & Verification Services for Initial Period of 3 Years with Two 1-Year Renewal Options for Total Cost Over 3-Year Period of \$2,130,451.20
- c. Consideration & Approval of 3-Year Colocation Service Order with Dawn US Holdings, LLC d.b.a. Evoque Data Center Solutions for Alternate Data Center Operations in Total Amount of \$389,600.00 (Year 1 \$130,400.00; \$129,600.00 Annually Thereafter)
- d. Consideration & Approval of 3-Year Agreement with Strata Information Group to Provide Colleague Support in the Amount of \$1,954,800.00 (Up to \$633,600.00 the first year, \$651,600 year two & \$669,600 year three) Plus Two 1-Year Options to Renew

On a motion by Dr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Deakyne the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

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

- a. Consideration of Community Response to the Proposed Redistricting Maps Posted on the District's Website and Scheduling of Public Town Hall Meetings to Facilitate Additional Public Input

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

- b. Consideration & Approval of the Connectivity Proposal with Verizon Wireless in the Amount of \$488,809.20 (\$40,734.10 Monthly)

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill seconded by Dr. Morrison, the item was approved 6 to 1 with Ms. Wood opposing.

- c. Consideration & Approval of Expenditure Authority through Cooperative Agreements, State Contracts, and Inter-local Agreements for Various Commodities and Services for Fiscal Year 2022-23

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

- d. Consideration & Approval of Amendment #3 to Agreement for Professional Design Services with Perkins & Will, to Provide Construction Documents & Administration for SE Campus Wayfinding & Signage, & Add Owner's Controlled Contingency in Amount of \$969,657.00.

On a motion by Dr. Morrison seconded by Ms. Deakyne the item was unanimously approved.

- e. Consideration & Approval of Purchase Order to General Datatech, L.P., to Supply Wireless Access Points & Network Switches for IILE Classrooms Renovations on NE and SO Campuses in the Amount of \$326,432.45

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

- f. Consideration & Approval of Amendment #4 for District-Wide Custodial Services with ABM Texas General Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$5,652,367.63

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

- g. Consideration & Approval of Contract Renewal with Fish Window Cleaning for the Window Washing Services on SO, NE, NW, and SE Campuses including All

Offsite Locations in the Amount of \$157,165.71

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

- h. Consideration & Approval of Window Washing Services on Trinity River and Trinity River East Campus with Guardian Services in the Amount of \$192,232.50

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

- i. Consideration & Approval of Agreement for Procurement and Installation of Furniture with WRG, LLC, on Northwest Campus Redevelopment Project in the Amount of \$995,495.38

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

- j. Consideration & Approval of Agreement for Procurement and Installation of Furniture with GL Seaman & Company on Northwest Campus Redevelopment Project in the Amount of \$1,326,460.36

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

- k. Consideration & Approval of Agreement for Procurement and Installation of Furniture with Intelligent Interiors, Inc, on Northwest Campus Redevelopment Project in the Amount of \$1,844,531.35

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

- l. Consideration & Approval of Annual Spend Authority using Cooperative Agreements for Landscaping and Grounds at Multiple Locations with ABM Texas General Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$507,388.64

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

- m. Consideration & Approval of TCC's FY 2021-22 Insurance Renewals with McGriff, Seibels & Williams, Inc.; Roach, Howard, Smith & Barton; and Higginbotham in the Amount of \$2,561,082.92

On a motion by Dr. Morrison seconded by Ms. Deakyne the item was unanimously approved.

- n. Consideration & Approval of Transfer of \$5 Million from Operating Fund to the Interest & Sinking Fund for the Purpose of Increasing the Fund Balance in Compliance with CC(LOCAL) Requirement of 2-3 Months of Highest Annual Debt Service

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

- o. A Resolution Approving the Operating Budgets and Capital Budgets of the Tarrant County College District for the Fiscal Year, Beginning September 1, 2022 and Ending August 31, 2023

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill seconded by Dr. Morrison, the item was approved 6 to 1 with Ms. Wood opposing.

- p. A Resolution Setting Proposed Rate of \$0.13017 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for Levy & Collection of Annual Ad Valorem Tax on All Property Within Boundaries of TCCD on January 1, 2022 & Designating Tarrant County Tax Assessor as Designated Officer

On a motion by Mr. Greenhill seconded by Dr. Morrison, the item was approved 6 to 1 with Ms. Wood opposing.

- q. Consideration & Approval of Letter of No Objection to the Foreign Trade Zones Board Allowing for the FTZ Designation through the Alliance Corridor FTZ #196 for Prairie Industry Holdings, dba Truvant Located at 280 S. Intermodal Parkway in Haslet, TX

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

- r. Consideration & Approval of 3-Year Contract with the Tax Assessor/Collector through Tax Year 2024 in an Annual Amount up to \$2,000,000

On a motion by Dr. Morrison seconded by Ms. Wood the item was unanimously approved.

- s. Consideration & Approval of the Purchase of an Automated Media Preparator and Plate-Pouring System for Life Science Labs from K&R Technologies, LLC d.b.a. Microbiology International for a Total Cost of \$448,576

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

6. **Monthly Financial Report Information.**

Chief Operating Officer Susan Alanis presented the Monthly Financial Report and the Monthly Investment Report.

7. Acting Chancellor's Report Information.

- a. Dr. LeBlanc included in the Trustees binders accolades and highlights from all campuses as well as the Acting Chancellor's activities. She spoke of a biotech grant that was obtained through our partnership with Dallas College, UTA, and other universities in the region. She also participated in the South Campus' Back to School Roundup, done in partnership with the FWISD. Dr. LeBlanc attended the Arlington State of the District function. Dr. LeBlanc also spoke about the Employee Convocation which well attended as a hybrid in-person/virtual event. Dr. LeBlanc announced that FWISD schools made the Bet Schools in the Nation list, and that several of our Early College High Schools included on the list. Finally, Dr. LeBlanc spoke about the ongoing success of our T3 program, which grew from 135 enrolled students last year to 408 this year.

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.
 - i. Consideration of general guidance and compensation for the Interim Chancellor together with associated personnel planning.
- 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. **Adjournment**

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:14 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.



Teresa Marie Ayala, President
Board of Trustees



Jeannie Deakyne, Secretary
Board of Trustees