

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF REGENTS
South Plains College
March 13, 2025

The Board of Regents of South Plains College met on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room for their regular meeting with the following present: Mr. Mike Box, Chairman; Ronny Alexander, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Ellis, Secretary; and other members of the Board Mr. Joe Tubb; Mr. Chris Edens; and Mr. Jim Mara; Others present were Dr. Ryan Gibbs; Ms. Teresa Green; Dr. Stan DeMerritt; Ms. Julie Gerstenberger; Mr. Dom Puente, Levelland News Press; Mr. Adan Rubio, Public Relations Specialist; and Dr. Robin Satterwhite.

Guests present: Mr. Tucker Mathis, Student Government President; Ms. Hillary Nixon, Student Government Advisor; Justin Balderas, Levelland EDC Executive Director; Ms. Samantha Goldie, Director of Development and Alumni; and Ms. Kirsten Chau, Assistant Director of Development and Alumni.

Mr. Edens gave the opening prayer.

Mr. Box led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

The Chairman asked if there were any questions on the minutes as presented. Mr. Edens motioned to approve the minutes as they were presented and Mr. Mara seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Chairman then invited the Vice President for Academic Affairs to present. Dr. Gibbs presented an update on the Workforce Training Center.

The Chairman called on the Vice President for Student Affairs to present. Dr. DeMerritt presented the FY 2022 cohort default rate from the US Department of Education in exhibit #5238. Dr. DeMerritt also presented Policy GD – use of college facilities, including recreational facilities for approval. See exhibit #5239. The action was tabled until the April 2025 meeting. Finally, Dr. DeMerritt provided an update on the Spring 2025 Commencement ceremonies that will be held on Friday, May 9, 2025 in the Texan Dome. The Chairman invited the Vice President for Business Affairs to present. Ms. Green presented the tax office, and financial reports in exhibits #5240, #5241, and #5242. Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the reports as presented. Mr. Tubb seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous. Ms. Green also presented the quarterly investment report in exhibit #5243. Mr. Edens approve the report as presented. Mr. Alexander seconded followed by a unanimous vote.

The Chairman invited the Vice President for Institutional Advancement to preset. Ms. Gerstenberger invited Ms. Goldie and Ms. Chau to provide an update on the recent scholarship gala. Ms. Goldie announced the grand total of \$186,490 raised for students during the event. See exhibit #5244. She also noted that

donations are still being received. Ms. Gerstenberger then presented an update on Coronado High School senior, Briana Martinez, recently diagnosed by Hodgkin's lymphoma. See exhibit #5245. She stated that Ms. Martinez was thrilled to accept the full-time scholarship to attend South Plains College.

The Chairman invited to President to report. Dr. Satterwhite presented the faculty rank and tenure recommendations in exhibits #5246, #5247, and #5248. Mr. Tubb made a motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. **Dr. Satterwhite provided both construction and legislative updates.** Dr. Satterwhite also asked the Board to consider approving a resolution to support TACC legislative priorities in exhibit #5249. He also shared TACC information in exhibits #5250, #5251, and #5252. Mr. Edens made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mr. Mara seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous. Dr. Satterwhite also asked the Board to consider approving moving forward with theater renovations on the Levelland campus. Mr. Tubb made a motion to move forward with a second from Mr. Edens. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Board entered executive/closed session to discuss personnel matters (Texas government code section 551.074). No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary