

# AGENDA

## EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### **Committee Members**

Trustee Sandie Mullins Chair Trustee Carroll G. Robinson Trustee Eva Loredo

### Alternate Member

Trustee Dave Wilson

## February 13, 2015 2:30 p.m.

HCC Administration Building 3100 Main, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Auditorium Houston, Texas 77002

### NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

#### February 13, 2015

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the External Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees of Houston Community College will be held on Friday, the thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) day of February, 2015 at 2:30 p.m., or after, and from day to day as required, at the HCC Administration Building, 3100 Main, 2nd Floor Auditorium, Houston, Texas 77002. The items listed in this Notice may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Committee Chair and items listed for closed session discussion may be discussed in open session and vice versa as permitted by law. Actions taken at this Meeting do not constitute final Board action and are only Committee recommendations to be considered by the Board at the next Regular Board meeting.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Topics for Discussion and/or Action:
  - A. HCC 2016 Application to the Commission on Presidential Debates.
  - B. Legislative Update.
- III. Adjournment to closed or executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071; 551.072 and 551.074, the Open Meetings Act, for the following purposes:

### A. Legal Matters

 Consultation with legal counsel concerning pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matters on which the attorney's duty to the System under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Laws.

#### B. <u>Personnel Matters</u>

 Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear complaints or changes against an officer or employee, unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing.

### C. Real Estate Matters

1. Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for Agenda items if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the System in negotiations with a third person.

### IV. Additional Closed or Executive Session Authority

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any items included in this Notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by Section 551.001 et seq. of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this Notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by the Notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning:

Section 551.071 – For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matters on which the attorney's duty to the System under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Laws.

Section 551.072 – For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

Section 551.073 – For the purpose of considering a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the System if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the System in negotiations with a third person.

Section 551.074 – For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee, unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing.

Section 551.076 – To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices, or a security audit.

Section 551.082 – For the purpose of considering discipline of a student or to hear a complaint by an employee against another employee if the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing, unless an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the student or by the employee against whom the complaint is brought.

Section 551.084 – For the purpose of excluding a witness or witnesses in an investigation from a hearing during examination of another witness in the investigation.

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Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

- A. The open meeting covered by this Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting, or
- B. At a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine.

### V. Reconvene in Open Meeting

VI. Adjournment

### Certificate of Posting or Giving of Notice

On this <u>9<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>February</u>, 2015, at or before 2:30 p.m., this Notice was posted at a place convenient to the public and readily accessible at all times to the general public at the following locations: (1) Administration Building of the Houston Community College, 3100 Main, First Floor, Houston, Texas 77002; (2) the Harris County's Criminal Justice Center, 1201 Franklin, Houston, Texas 77002; (3) the Fort Bend County Courthouse, 401 Jackson, Richmond, Texas 77469; and (4) the Houston Community College website, www.hccs.edu. The Houston Community College's Fort Bend County public meeting notices may be viewed after hours (*i.e.* between the hours of 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m.) on the kiosk located on the west side of the new Fort Bend County Courthouse (the "William B. Travis Building"), located at 309 South Fourth Street, Richmond, Texas 77469.

Sharon R. Wright, Manager Board Services

## **ACTION ITEM**

Meeting Date: February 13, 2015

Committee: External Affairs

ITEM NO.

### ITEM TITLE

## PRESENTER

Dr. Cesar Maldonado

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HCC 2016 Application to the Commission on Presidential Debates

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Chancellor to submit the 2016 application to the Commission on Presidential Debates and work with the HCC Foundation and Administration to secure private and public financial, infrastructure, and related resources in support of a 2016 presidential or vice presidential debate.

## **COMPELLING REASON/RATIONALE**

On August 15, 2013, the Board approved a resolution authorizing the Chancellor to explore the possibility of securing for HCC (and the broader Houston community) the right to host the 2016 or 2020 Presidential Debate in Houston.

### **DESCRIPTION OR BACKGROUND**

The Commission on Presidential Debates is accepting applications to host a 2016 presidential or vice presidential debate. Applications are due by March 31, 2015.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

An estimated total cost for hosting the debate is included in the feasibility report to be provided under separate cover. A non-refundable fee of \$8,000, which will cover administrative costs, a pre-site survey, and technical evaluations, is due at the time of application.

### LEGAL REQUIREMENT

N/A

### STRATEGIC GOAL ALIGNMENT

Strategic Initiative: Support Innovation

Attachment Title(s): HCC Presidential Debate Application to the Commission on Presidential Debates Feasibility Report (Will be provided under separate cover)

## **REPORT ITEM**

Meeting Date: February 13, 2015

**Committee:** External Relations

**ITEM NO.** 

**ITEM TITLE** 

### PRESENTER



**Legislative Update** 

Dr. Cesar Maldonado Remmele Young

### DISCUSSION

Provide a legislative update relating to state and federal policy-related activities that concern Houston Community College (HCC).

### **DESCRIPTION OR BACKGROUND**

This report provides a brief update of policy matters and other related activities in which HCC engages to help advance its legislative agenda. It factors our work with state and federal policy-makers and highlights our efforts to leverage the necessary resources to advance the HCC mission in the policy-making arena.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no immediate identifiable fiscal impact relating to this report.

### **STRATEGIC INITIATIVES ALIGNMENT**

Strategic Initiative: Leverage necessary resources to advance the mission.

Attachment Title(s): N/A

This item is applicable to the following: