# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# January 21, 2016 Minutes

The Board of Trustees of Houston Community College held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at the HCC Administration Building, Second Floor Auditorium, 3100 Main, Houston, Texas.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Adriana Tamez, Chair
Robert Glaser, Vice Chair
Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Secretary
Zeph Capo
John P. Hansen
Eva Loredo
Christopher W. Oliver
Neeta Sane
Dave Wilson

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Cesar Maldonado, Chancellor
Melissa Gonzalez, Chief of Staff
Valerie Simpson for Ashley Smith, General Counsel
Kimberly Beatty, Vice Chancellor, Instructional Services, Chief Academic Officer
William Carter, Associate Vice Chancellor, Information Technology
Michael Edwards for Butch Herod, Vice Chancellor, Innovation, Planning and Institutional
Analytics

Teri Zamora, Senior Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration Madeline Burillo, Interim President, Southwest College

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Margaret Ford Fisher, President, Northeast College

William Harmon, President, Central College

Zachary Hodges, President, Northwest College

Irene Porcarello, President, Southeast College

Janet May, Chief Human Resources Officer

Carme Williams, Executive Director, HCC Foundation

Remmele Young, Associate Vice Chancellor, Governmental and External Affairs

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Jarvis Hollingsworth, Board Counsel, Bracewell & Giuliani
David White, President, Faculty Senate
Other administrators, citizens, and representatives from the news media

#### CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Tamez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:53 p.m. and declared the Board convened to consider matters pertaining to Houston Community College as listed on the duly posted Meeting Notice.

(The following Trustees were present: Wilson, Capo, Oliver, Glaser, Tamez, Evans-Shabazz, Sane, Loredo and Hansen)

#### PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Capo led the prayer and pledges.

#### **RECOGNITION OF PAST CHAIR**

Dr. Tamez thanked Mr. Capo for his leadership as Board Chair in 2015. Dr. Tamez presented Mr. Capo with a gavel set and eagle statue in recognition of an outstanding job and for his leadership.

(Mr. Oliver stepped out at 5:01 p.m.) (Mr. Oliver returned at 5:02 p.m.)

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion – Mr. Oliver moved and Ms. Loredo seconded. The following corrections were noted for December 17, 2015 meeting minutes:

- Page 7 Dr. Evans-Shabazz returned at 6:16 p.m.
- Page 7 The motion passed with a vote of 7-1; For Trustees Sane, Capo, Evans-Shabazz, Loredo, Mullins, Tamez Oliver; Trustee Wilson - Opposed
- Page 8 Chancellor Evaluation For 2014-2015
- Page 8 The motion passed with a vote of 7-1; For Trustees Sane, Capo, Evans-Shabazz, Loredo, Mullins, Tamez, Oliver; Trustee Wilson Opposed

Dr. Tamez deferred consideration of approval of minutes until next meeting.

# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Dr. Tamez provided the following report:

Birthday Recognition

Ms. Eva Loredo celebrated her birthday on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee District Reports

<u>District IX</u> – Mr. Oliver requested a newsletter be sent to his constituents in order to get the HCC message out to the community.

<u>District VIII</u> – Ms. Loredo met with students in various areas and they are returning back to the campus. Senior citizens are requesting computer classes. The community is very involved in Houston Community College.

<u>District VI</u> – Dr. Hansen stated that Hayes Road campus is up 11.5% in enrollment for spring semester. He noted that the  $3^{rd}$  &  $4^{th}$  floors of the campus are complete.

#### **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Dr. Cesar Maldonado provided the Chancellor's Reports on the following:

Dr. Cesar Maldonado welcomed everyone back for the New Year, congratulated the newly elected officers of the Board, and thanked the outgoing officers for their services over the past year.

- Dr. Maldonado stated that the Board's role as a member of the governing body will be instrumental in the implementation stage of the Imagine 2019 Strategic Plan and continuation of Phase 2 of Transformation.
- The Transformation Leadership Team will meet again on Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Maldonado stated that this group consists of faculty, staff and students. He apprised that the group has been expanded from 65 members to 100 with the goal of gaining more insight into future processes.

#### Ms. Addie Heyliger Recogintion

 Dr. Maldonado recognized Ms. Addie Heyliger, HCC Adjunct faculty who was recently elected to FBISD Board of Trustees. Ms. Heyliger has an extensive track record for dedication and community leadership. In addition to being a FBISD Board of Trustees, she currently serves on the Fort Bend YMCA Board and is actively involved with United Way Young Leader, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, LINKS and the Missouri City Baptist Church.

### **Black History Gala Announcement**

 Dr. Maldonado announced the HCC Black History Scholarship Gala will take place Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at Hotel ZaZa. He noted this year marks the 10th anniversary of the HCC Black History Scholarship Gala, which features nationally recognized individuals as keynote speakers. Dr. Maldonado presented Dr. William Harmon, Chair of the Black History Committee, to provide more details related to the event.

#### **COE Presentations**

• Dr. Ford Fisher presented on the Center of Excellence at Northeast College.

#### **Student Recognitions**

 Ms. Shantay Grays presented, on behalf of Dr. Philip Nicotera, the Student Success Stories. The following students were recognized:

- Samira Ben Salka, Central College
- Erica Reeder, Coleman College
- Levonte Lewis, Northeast College
- Roxana Arcos, Northwest College
- Martha Salazar, Southeast College
- Martin Obosu, Southwest College

#### **Faculty Senate Report**

Dr. Maldonado presented Mr. David White, President, Faculty Senate.

Mr. David White, Faculty Senate President extended an invitation to the Board to attend the Annual Faculty Conference on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at the Doubletree Hotel.

Mr. White noted HCC Faculty Senate will produce a resolution for HCC to remain a gun-free institution, similar to what University of Houston Faculty Senate did.

Mr. White stated a proposal is being crafted regarding year two of the multi-year pay adjustment.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

<u>Motion</u> – Dr. Hansen moved and Mr. Capo seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0. The following items were approved:

- Approval of Chancellor's Goals for Domain 3.2 and 3.3 for Fiscal Year 2016
- Authorize Extension of Lease at Pinemont Center
- Authorize Additional Funding to Complete the San Jacinto Memorial Green and Austin Street Improvement Projects
- Investment Report for the Month of November 2015
- Monthly Financial Statement and Budget Review for November 2015

### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**

#### ADOPT REVISIONS TO BOARD BYLAWS

<u>Motion</u> – Ms. Loredo moved and Mr. Wilson seconded.

Dr. Hansen requested to amend *Article H: 4. Public Statements And The Media*. He proposed to delete the blue line.

Motion – Mr. Capo moved and Mr. Wilson seconded discussion on the amendment.

Vote on the amendment – The motion failed with a vote of 3-6.

Dr. Hansen requested *Article H: 7. Requests For Documents* to be deferred consideration. He proposed, as a form of due process, to include the following sentence "If the Board disagrees with the Chair ruling, the Board member may appeal to the Board as a whole and a major of the Board can overrule the decision of Chair".

Dr. Hansen motioned to move to recommit *Article H: 7.* to the Governance Committee with the instructions to add the sentence as requested.

Vote on the amendment – The motion failed with a vote of 3-6. For – Trustees Hansen, Glaser & Wilson; Against – Trustees Capo, Sane, Evans-Shabazz, Oliver, Tamez, Loredo

Vote – The motion passed with a vote of 6-3. For - Trustees Capo, Sane, Evans-Shabazz, Oliver, Tamez, Loredo Against – Trustees Hansen, Glaser and Wilson

# ADOPTION OF THE ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE AS THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Motion – Mr. Capo moved and Ms. Loredo seconded.

Dr. Maldonado stated that the request for adoption of the Multidisciplinary Studies Associates Degree will allow HCC to be in compliance with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board regarding classification in multidisciplinary areas that will facilitate the transfer of students at HCC to a university.

Vote – The motion passed with a vote of 9-0.

#### SALE OF THE 33 ACRES IN MISSOURI CITY

Motion – Mr. Capo and Mr. Oliver seconded.

Dr. Maldonado informed the Board they would receive in their Weekly Administrative Briefing a table showing cash, book and economic transactions regarding the sale of 33 acres in Missouri City. He noted that it would also be on HCC website under Capital Improvement Plan.

Vote – The motion passed with a vote of 7-2. Mr. Wilson opposed and Dr. Hansen abstained.

#### WAIVER OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT TUITION AND FEES FOR DUAL CREDIT STUDENTS

Motion - Dr. Hansen moved and Mr. Capo seconded.

Mr. Glaser asked the Chancellor explain the reason for a need to waive out-of- district tuition.

Dr. Maldonado explained the wavier is being considered by administration as a recruiting tool for students to enroll at HCC, as opposed to other colleges. He noted this would allow

administration to facilitate enrollment of dual credit students' once they have graduated. The goal is college success for students.

Vote – The motion passed with a vote 9-0.

#### ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Tamez adjourned the meeting to Executive Session at 7:17 p.m. notice having previously been given and reiterated in accordance with Sections 551.071, 551.072, and/or 551.074 of the Open Meetings Law. Dr. Tamez stated that any final action, vote or decision on any item discussed in Executive Session would be taken up in Open Session or in a subsequent Public Meeting.

(The following Trustees were present: Wilson, Capo, Glaser, Tamez, Loredo, Hansen, Evans-Shabazz)

Dr. Tamez reconvened the meeting in Open Session at 8:11 p.m. and entertained any motions on pending matters.

#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**

Motion - Mr. Glaser moved and Ms. Loredo seconded.

• Personnel Agenda (FACULTY)

Vote – The motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

Dr. Tamez stated that "the fallen Marines are in our thoughts and prayers".

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Minutes recorded, transcribed & submitted by: Rose Sarzoza-Pena Manager, Board Services

Minutes Approved as Submitted: February 25, 2016