

CONSENT AGENDA NO. 5

Approval of Minutes of the February 4, 2014 Regular Meeting (Amended)

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the February 4, 2014 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting.

Board Members and Officers Present:

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton (arrived at 4:05 p.m.)

Mr. Bob Ferguson

Ms. Diana Flores (departed at 5:19 p.m.)

Mr. Wesley Jameson

Dr. Wright Lassiter (secretary and chancellor)

Mr. Bill Metzger (arrived at 4:08 p.m.)

Mr. Jerry Prater, Chair

Mr. JL Sonny Williams

Members Absent:

See above.

Chair Prater convened the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE POSTED
FOR THE FEBRUARY 4, 2014
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
AND RICHLAND COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

I, Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Dallas County Community College District, do certify that a copy of this notice was posted on the 31st of January 2014, in a place convenient to the public in the District Office Administration Building, and a copy of this notice was provided on the 31st of January 2014, to John F. Warren, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas, and the notice was posted on the bulletin board at the George Allen Sr. Courts Building, all as required by the Texas Government Code, §551.054.



Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary

Certification of Notice Posted for the Meeting

Dr. Lassiter certified the notice had been posted as required.

Pledges of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags

Pledges of allegiance to the flags were recited.

Executive Session

Citing Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Chair Prater adjourned the Board to executive session at 4:07 p.m. and returned to regular meeting at 4:56 p.m.

Special Presentation on Student Success: Dallas Colleges Online Military

Provost Pam Quinn provided the Board with historical information on the creation of Dallas Colleges Online, serving as a “one stop shop for online education in the DCCCD.” Associate Vice President of Instruction Audra Barrett introduced a recent graduate, US Army Sergeant E-5 Peter Omoni, who was able to complete his degree while on deployment in Afghanistan. Vivian Thomas, an Enrollment Services Representative, was recognized for her assistance to Sergeant Omoni, who presented her with an official combat flag.

Richland Collegiate High School Status Report

Superintendent Donna Walker provided additional details regarding the success of RCHS students in a recent district debate competition referenced in #25, and will provide results from the state level competition in a future meeting.

Special Guest Recognition

Chair Prater recognized the attendance of Glen Heights City Councilman Michael Jones and thanked him for his interest in the DCCCD.

Citizens Desiring to Address the Board Regarding Agenda Items

Mrs. Dorothy Zimmerman referenced Bid 12070, commenting that she was uncertain why an estimated \$4 million in furniture would be needed when 30% of all student enrollments were in online courses. A further comment was made on Bid 12074 and Bid 12075, noting a question on how much of the cost would be absorbed through insurance claims.

Mr. Anthony Rodriguez added his concern on Bid 12070 regarding furniture to be purchased, and questioned the recommended adoption of #14 in lieu of a policy which would allow students having a concealed carry license to carry guns on campus.

Opportunity for Chancellor and Board Members to Declare Conflicts of Interest Specific to this Agenda

There were none noted.

Consideration of Bids

Trustee Compton moved and Trustee Jameson seconded a motion to approve Items #1-3. Motion passed, with Trustee Metzger voting no.

In related discussion:

Trustee Ferguson requested clarification on #1, with Executive Vice Chancellor DesPlas noting that this bid allows the District to identify a pool of furniture providers, with advantageous discounting over a three-year period, to service the 4.5 million square feet of buildings currently occupied.

Trustee Compton asked for clarification on #2 and #3, and Trustee Metzger requested that the amount of insurance payments to be applied to these items be provided to the trustees following the meeting.

(See February 4, 2014, Board Meeting, Consideration of Bids, #1-3, which is made part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Consent Agenda

Trustee Ferguson moved and Trustee Metzger seconded a motion to approve Items #4-12 on the consent agenda. Motion passed.

(See February 4, 2014, Board Meeting Consent Agenda, Items #4-12, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Individual Items

Trustee Compton moved and Trustee Ferguson seconded a motion to approve Items #13-24. Motion passed.

In related discussion, it was confirmed that voting precincts have not been changed from the 2012 election.

(See February 4, 2014 Board Meeting, Agenda Items #13-24, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Informative Reports

Trustees acknowledged the presentation of informative reports #25-34.

(See February 4, 2014 Board Meeting, Agenda Items #23-35, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Questions/comments from members of the Board and chancellor

Chair Prater read the official wording of the honorary associate degrees, with presentation to Chancellor Lassiter. Responding to the comments from the Board, Dr. Lassiter noted his appreciation of the recognition and praised the DCCCD team, representing the largest community college district in Texas and the “best in the nation.”

Citizens desiring to appear before the Board

Mrs. Dorothy Zimmerman thanked retiring Chancellor Lassiter for his service.

Mr. Anthony Rodriguez shared his concerns about his interactions with a variety of staff at Brookhaven College, including the Chief of Police, the Vice President of Students, and the President. He requested an investigation, noting that written materials had been supplied to Chancellor Lassiter. Trustee Compton requested staff follow-up regarding the policy related to individuals who accompany students to requested meetings with college administration.

Adjournment

Chair Prater adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m. with a motion from Trustee Compton and a second by Trustee Ferguson.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wright L. Lassiter, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary