

CONSENT AGENDA NO. 12

Approval of Minutes of the September 2, 2008 Regular Meeting

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the September 2, 2008 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting.

**DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
AND RICHLAND COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008**

Attendees: Mrs. Kitty Boyle, Ms. Charletta Compton, Mr. Bob Ferguson, Ms. Diana Flores (Board Vice Chair), Mrs. Martha Sanchez Metzger, Mr. Jerry Prater (Board Chair) and Mr. JL Sonny Williams

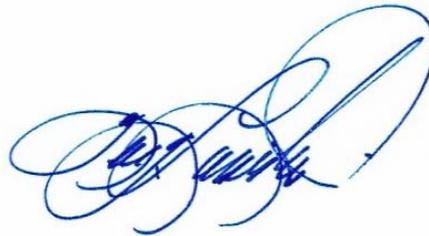
Absent: None

Staff: Dr. Wright Lassiter, Mr. Ed DesPlas, Mr. Denys Blell, Dr. Andrew Jones, Mr. Justin Lonon, Mrs. Kathryn Tucker and Mr. Robert Young

Chair Jerry Prater convened the meeting at 4:10 PM. Dr. Wright Lassiter certified to the posting of the meeting notice.

**CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE SEPTEMBER 2, 2008
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 29th day of August, 2008, in a place convenient to the public in the R.L. Thornton, Jr. Administration Building, and a copy of this notice was provided on the 29th day of August, 2008, to John F. Warren, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas, and the notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Frank Crowley Courts Building, all as required by the Texas Government Code, §551.054.



Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary

Public Hearing on Budget for 2008-09

There were no citizens desiring to address the Board concerning the budget for 2008-09.

Vice Chair Diana Flores moved and Mr. Bob Ferguson seconded a motion to adjourn the public hearing on the budget for fiscal year 2008-09. Motion passed. Chair Jerry Prater adjourned the public hearing.

Citizens Desiring to Address the Board Regarding Agenda Items

There were no citizens desiring to address the board regarding agenda items.

Richland Collegiate High School Status Report

Dr. Steve Mittelstet presented the Richland Collegiate High School Status Report, including mention that RCHS was finalist for Tech Titan of the Year Award in the higher education category.

DCCCD Purchasing Department Recognition

On August 19, 2008, during Minority Enterprise Development week, Mr. David Riehl, Mr. Steve Overby, Mr. Zeno Cox and Ms. Lori Low (from the DCCCD Purchasing Department) received recognition as members of the "Million Dollar Club" at the Mayor's Million Dollar Roundtable. The Board of Trustees and Chancellor Lassiter recognized and congratulated them.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

Consideration of Bids

Vice Chair Flores moved and Mrs. Kitty Boyle seconded a motion to approve all bids in the Consideration of Bids section of the agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Consideration of Bids, Agenda Items #1-7, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda Items #22-24 were moved to VIII. Individual Items.

Mrs. Boyle moved and Vice Chair Flores seconded a motion to approve all recommendations in the Consent Agenda, #8-49, except recommendations #22-24 (which had been moved to the Individual Items) and recommendations #17, 30 and 45. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Items #8-49, except Items #22-24, 17, 30 and 45, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Ms. Charletta Compton moved and Mr. JL Sonny Williams seconded a motion to approve recommendation #17 in the Consent Agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #17, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Mr. Ferguson moved and Mrs. Boyle seconded a motion to approve recommendation #30 in the Consent Agenda. Vice Chair Flores, Mrs. Martha Sanchez Metzger and Ms. Compton abstained. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #30, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Ms. Compton moved and Vice Chair Flores seconded a motion to approve recommendation #45 in the Consent Agenda. Chair Prater abstained. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #45, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Individual Items

Mrs. Boyle moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to approve the Budget for 2008-09, recommendation #22, in the Individual Items section of the agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #22, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Vice Chair Flores moved and Mrs. Boyle seconded a motion to approve the Resolution Levying the Interest and Sinking Component of the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Tax Year 2008, recommendation #23, in the Individual Items section of the agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #23, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Mr. Ferguson moved and Vice Chair Flores seconded a motion to approve the Resolution Levying the Maintenance and Operation Component of the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Tax Year 2008, recommendation #24, in the Individual Items section of the agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #24, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Mrs. Boyle moved and Ms. Compton seconded a motion to approve recommendations #50, 51 and 53, in the Individual Items section of the agenda. Motion passed. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Items #50, 51 and 53, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Informative Reports

Chancellor Lassiter reviewed the Informative Report, Agenda Item #54. Executive Vice Chancellor Ed DesPlas reviewed the Informative Report, Agenda Items #55-58. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Items #54-58, which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Questions/Comments from the Board and Chancellor

Chancellor Lassiter will provide follow-up information to the Board concerning schedule of RCHS PTA meetings, dollar value of tuition and book costs for RCHS students, members obligations for TACC's building assessment fee and building maintenance, results of an investigation into what factors may have contributed to health enrollment increases in Fall 2008, a definitive list of college statuses with respect to being designated Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs), and an answer to Trustee Flores question about allowing tri-chamber employees to participate in DCCCD's employee software training classes.

Ms. Flores asked that the National Community College Hispanic Council's annual leadership symposium be added to the list of pre-approved trips for DCCCD Board members.

Mrs. Boyle asked that software training schedules and job vacancy notices be sent electronically rather than in the weekend packet.

Chancellor Lassiter will also arrange for trustees to tour their new facilities at 1601 S. Lamar as part of the retreat on October 21, 2008, will direct corrective actions for trip hazards Trustee Compton observed at the Paramount Building, and confirm there is furniture at the Paramount Building for persons for whom standard seating is too small.

Ms. Flores advised fellow trustees that although DCCCD is scaling back its financial support for the tri-chamber agreement, the Hispanic Chamber will not scale back with putting DCCCD "front and center."

Mrs. Boyle urged fellow trustees "to do all we can" during the 81st legislative session, noting that due to the Governor's veto of employee health care benefit funding following the 80th session, community colleges now occupy "a place we may not have again."

Citizens Desiring to Appear Before the Board

There were no citizens desiring to appear before the Board.

Executive Session

The Board went into executive session at 5:37 PM as authorized under §551.071 of the Texas Government Code to seek the advice of its attorney on an investigation of an alleged ethics violation and/or on a matter in which the duty of the attorneys under the Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflict with the Open Meetings Act; and as authorized under §551.074 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate on personnel matters, including commencement of annual evaluation of the chancellor, election of Board officers, and any prospective employee who is noted in Employment of Contractual Personnel.

At approximately 7:27 PM, the Board re-convened in its regular meeting. Mrs. Metzger excused herself from the meeting because she was late to her son's birthday celebration.

Ms. Compton moved and Mrs. Boyle seconded a motion to approve recommendation #52 in the Individual Items section of the agenda. Motion passed. Ms. Flores asked that her vote against recommendation #52 be recorded in the minutes. (See September 2, 2008, Board Meeting, Agenda Item #52, which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes.)

Adjournment

Ms. Compton moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Chair Prater adjourned the meeting at 7:29 PM.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wright L. Lassiter Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Wright L. Lassiter Jr., Secretary