CONSENT AGENDA NO. 15

Approval of Minutes of the August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the August 2, 2011 Board of Trustees regular meeting.

Board Members and Officers Present:

Mr. Jerry Prater (chair)

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton (vice chair)

Mrs. Kitty Boyle

Mr. Bob Ferguson

Ms. Diana Flores

Dr. Wright Lassiter (secretary and Chancellor)

Mr. Bill Metzger

Mr. JL Sonny Williams

Board Members and Officers Absent: None

Guests: Mr. David Mendez

Chairman Jerry Prater convened the meeting at 4:07 p.m. Dr. Wright Lassiter certified the meeting notice had been posted.

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE POSTED FOR THE AUGUST 2, 2011 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 July 2011, in a place convenient to the public in the District Office Administration Building, and a copy of this notice was provided on the 29th day of July 2011, 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

Public Hearing on Richland Collegiate High School Budget for 2011-12

There were no speakers.

Citizens desiring to address the board regarding agenda items

There were none.

Richland Collegiate High School status report

Richland College Interim President Kay Eggleston presented the status report. At this time, RCHS has received 477 applications for the 2011-12 school year. The staff is comprised of Richland faculty, superintendent (50%), principal, assistant principal, academic advisors (4), attendance coordinator, and various other support staff. RCHS is one charter school with two branches: 1) math, science, engineering and 2) digital, visual and performing arts. Maximum enrollment allowed is 900.

Opportunity for Chancellor and board members to declare conflicts of interest specific to this agenda

There were none.

Consideration of bids

Mrs. Boyle moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to approve Items 1-25. Motion passed. (See August 2, 2011, Board Meeting, Consideration of Bids, Agenda Items 1-25, which is made part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes).

Consent agenda

Ms. Flores moved and Mrs. Boyle seconded a motion to approve Items 26-39. Motion passed. (See August 2, 2011, Board Meeting, Consent Agenda, Items 26-39 which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes).

Individual items

Mr. Ferguson moved and Mr. Metzger seconded a motion to approve Item 40. Motion passed. Mrs. Boyle moved and Mr. Metzger seconded a motion to approve Item 41. Motion passed. Ms. Flores moved and Mr. Metzger seconded a motion to approve Item 42. Motion passed. Ms. Compton moved and Ms. Flores seconded a motion to approve Item 43. Motion passed. Following an executive session to discuss personnel matters, Mr. Metzger moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to approve Items 44-49. Motion passed. Ms. Compton moved and Mr. Ferguson second a motion to approve Item 50. Motion passed. Mr. Metzger moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded an amended motion to approve Items 51-55. (The original motion and action were for Items 40-55 rather than 51-55.) Motion passed. Mr. Ferguson moved "that the Board set September 6, 2011, as

the date upon which we will vote to adopt an ad valorem tax rate for maintenance and operations of \$0.0789 per \$100 of valuation and a rate for interest and sinking of \$0.021225 per \$100 of valuation." Ms. Compton seconded. Trustees Boyle, Compton, Ferguson, Flores, Prater and Williams voted yes; Trustee Metzger voted no. Motion passed. (See August 2, 2011, Board Meeting Individual Items, Item 56 which is made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes).

Informative reports

Trustees reviewed the informative reports.

Questions/comments from the board and Chancellor

Concerning Item #74, Mr. Metzger proposed beginning meetings with pledge to the U.S. flag. Mrs. Boyle asked, if instituted, that pledge to the Texas flag also be spoken. Ms. Compton and Mr. Ferguson asked if reciting the pledge is a common practice in public school and higher education board meetings.

Concerning Item #75, Mr. Ferguson reported the most important message is that we'll be paid for performance, student success. "The heat is turned up in the kitchen." Presenters urged placing indicators of student success at the top of board meeting agendas. Mr. Ferguson added that some other DCCCD trustees have attended similar institutes. Mrs. Boyle compared the Institute agenda to Texas' Closing the Gaps plan, saying she believes DCCCD is working on those goals and she is proud of the recent accomplishment with graduation rates.

Concerning Item #76, Chairman Prater reported that Ms. Flores wished to revise her comments concerning resolution on Eastfield College presidential search to the following: "There are times when family must take priority over everything else. The date of July 5, 2011 Board meeting was such a time for me. I was not present to be able to comment on the Resolution on the EFC Presidential Search, and, therefore, do so now. At no time did I or would I do anything knowingly, willfully or intentionally to call into question SACS accreditation standards."

Concerning Item #77, DCCFA President Lisa Ehrich presented remarks about DCCFA's alternative proposals to budget reductions. She provided members of the Board and Chancellor with a copy of her remarks and support materials. Chairman Prater advised the Board will study the recommendations and materials.

Chancellor Lassiter will provide Board members with population by precinct for the redistricting map, trended data for fund balance, a clear explanation of the tax rate vote at the meeting and proposed uses for the \$5 million revenue it will generate above that in the proposed budget previously presented to the Board (for the September 6 meeting agenda), an explanation of costs to centralize financial aid, a briefing in September or October about Completion by Design, and results of an informal survey of schools and higher education institutions asking if their board meetings begin with pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. Boyle commended faculty and staff for the rising number of graduates. She read this excerpt from a recent publication: "The number of DCCCD graduates continues to reach an all-time high as its enrollment continues to grow, producing more skilled workers for the local work force. According to the most recent report from DCCCD's Institutional Research Office, 5,852 students graduated with an associate degree or certificate from the seven DCCCD colleges last May. This is an 18 percent increase over the number of graduates in May 2010 (4,963) who received a degree or certificate."

Executive session

Mr. Prater recessed the regular meeting at 5:55 p.m. for an executive session to deliberate on personnel matters and seek the advice of its attorney. Mr. Prater reconvened the regular meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Adjournment

Ms. Compton moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to adjourn. Chairman Prater adjourned the regular meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Approved:

Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary