CONSENT AGENDA NO. 4

Approval of Minutes of the May 3, 2011 Regular Meeting

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the May 3, 2011 Board of Trustees regular meeting.

Board Members and Officers Present:

Mr. Jerry Prater (chair) (departed 7:23 p.m.)

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton (vice chair)

Mrs. Kitty Boyle (departed 7:25 p.m.)

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: Phi Theta Kappa Texas District 2 Coordinator Dr. Tommy Thompson, Phi Theta Kappans C.D. Allen, Mike Navarro, Deanna Daniels, and Andrea Pinto

Chair Jerry Prater convened the meeting at 4:54 p.m. Dr. Wright Lassiter certified the meeting notice had been posted.

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE POSTED FOR THE MAY 3, 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 April 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 April 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

Special presentation

Dr. Tommy Thompson presented Phi Theta Kappans, chapter sponsors, and awards from Brookhaven, Cedar Valley, Mountain View, and North Lake Colleges. Students C.D. Allen, Mike Navarro, Deanna Daniels, and Andrew Pinto spoke about how Phi Theta Kappa has helped them achieve educational and personal goals.

Citizens desiring to address the board regarding agenda items

There were none.

Richland Collegiate High School status report presented by Superintendent Donna Walker

Supt. Walker directed the Board's attention to Informative Report No. 29 concerning TAKS testing and fingerprinting.

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

There were none.

Consideration of bids

Having been advised in the preceding meeting of the Planning & Budget Committee that DCCCD should prepare for as much as an \$18 million decrease in the State's appropriation and benefits contribution in the coming fiscal year, Trustees Flores, Metzger, and Williams questioned the necessity for proceeding with the proposed Brookhaven police department remodeling project (Bid No. 11849). After discussion, Trustees agreed the project may proceed; a recommendation to authorize use of general obligation bonds for remodeling Brookhaven's police department will be on the agenda for the Board's next regular business meeting. Mr. Ferguson moved and Ms. Flores seconded a motion to approve Items 1-6. Motion passed. (See May 3, 2011, Board Meeting, Consideration of Bids, Agenda Item 1-6, 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 7-17 in the Consent Agenda. Motion passed. (See May 3, 2011, Board Meeting, Consent Agenda, Items 7-17 which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes).

Individual items

Ms. Compton moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to approve Item 18. Motion passed. Mr. Metzger voted no. Ms. Compton moved and Ms. Flores

seconded a motion to approve Items 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28. Motion passed. Ms. Compton moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded a motion to approve Item 21. Motion passed. (See May 3, 2011, Board Meeting Individual Items, Items 18-28 which are made a part of and incorporated into the approved minutes as though fully set out in the minutes).

Informative reports

The Board reviewed the informative reports. In the report of retirements, Mr. Williams and Mr. Ferguson expressed appreciation for the years of service given by employees who are participating in the Voluntary Retirement Incentive program and acknowledged the difficulty of replacing long-term employees.

Ms. Flores commented that she desires to keep the report of vice chancellor's awards and change orders in the monthly agenda (Informative Report No. 31) because she believes it is essential to fulfilling her duty as a fiduciary. Other trustees suggested presenting it semi-annually rather than monthly and/or abbreviating the amount of information provided. Mr. Prater asked trustees to look at all the informative reports so that the staff may start to pare down the time required to produce meeting agendas.

Ms. Flores commented that the report of employee ethnicity (Informative Report No. 38) indicates no change in the proportion of Hispanic employees over the past seven years. Mr. Williams commented the proportion of White employees has declined and the proportion of African-American employees has increased. Ms. Flores asserted that, in view of the Board's policy and 2010 census data, the District should have a higher proportion of Hispanic employees.

Ms. Flores complimented Informative Report No. 41, saying that it lays to rest the assertion that DCCCD has too many administrators.

Questions/comments from the board and chancellor

Chancellor Lassiter displayed a plaque from Harmony Public Schools, a network of charter schools. He announced that 129 employees (32 faculty, 26 administrators, and 71 professional support staff) have signed agreements to retire. He also announced he will stand-in for Interim President McCrary, who is on extended sick leave, at Brookhaven's commencement exercises.

Citizens desiring to appear before the board

Ms. Dorothy Williams, student at Cedar Valley College, addressed the Board concerning unsatisfactory experiences while attempting to complete course work to remove an "I" grade. Dr. Lassiter will follow-up with CVC President Jennifer Wimbish.

Dr. Tommy Thompson, president of DCCCD Faculty Council, read the following statement: "The budget landscape is one that has many views and perspectives. Unfortunately, at this time, the college presidents and the faculty presidents were unable to reach consensus regarding an alternative proposal to the decision to cut ½ of full time faculty's summer compensation (formula pay). The Faculty Council continues to explore an alternative proposal that preserves excellence in the academic environment and provides equity among employees. Although we are close in finalizing a new proposal, we are not prepared at this time to present it to the Chancellor and Board of Trustees. We hope to get this proposal to you in the next several weeks. Thank you again for your willingness to consider other avenues for meeting the challenges of this budget crisis."

Executive session

At 6:18 p.m. the Board Chair recessed the regular meeting. The Board convened in an executive session at 6:30 p.m. The Board returned to the regular meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Adjournment

Vice Chair Compton adjourned the regular meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approved:

Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary