CONSENT AGENDA NO. 5

Approval of Minutes of the December 11, 2012 Work Session

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the December 11, 2012 Board of Trustees Work Session.

Board Members and Officers Present:

Mr. Jerry Prater, Chair

Ms. Charletta Rogers Compton

Mr. Bob Ferguson

Ms. Diana Flores

Mr. Wesley Jameson (joined the meeting at 1:37 p.m.)

Dr. Wright Lassiter (secretary and chancellor)

Mr. JL Sonny Williams

Members Absent:

Mr. Bill Metzger

Chair Prater convened the meeting at 1:13 p.m.

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE POSTED FOR THE DECEMBER 11, 2012 WORK SESSION 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 7th day of December 2012, in a place convenient to the public in the District Office Administration Building, and a copy of this notice was provided on the 7th day of December 2012 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.

Policy Environment of DCCCD and community colleges

Dr. Ponitz led the trustees in a discussion about significant issues with a long-term effect on community colleges.

Re-statement of the five areas selected for additional review: student success, college readiness, workforce development, partnerships and financial efficiency and additional contextual discussion

Dr. Ponitz and Dr. Lassiter presented information reflective of the five areas – noting internal and external examples of "best practices" and areas for continuing improvement. There was extended discussion by the group about those areas and their importance in achieving the mission of the District – with some comments by attending presidents. Particularly in developing a stronger synergy between the business community (who need trained workers and provide jobs to build the economy), the K-12 districts and higher education representatives, the trustees indicated an interest in pursuing some extended dialogue.

Trustee Flores recommended rewording the themes to be student success, employee success, institutional effectiveness, and community engagement. The Chancellor proposed that the earlier staff work related to priorities and objectives be reviewed along with these themes and combined as a written statement for review in January.

Board discussion on next steps

Dr. Ponitz summarized the discussion of the day. Related to the data provided for review, Trustee Flores asked that regular presentation include the college breakdown and a District summary/total, as well as comparisons with state and national data. Trustee Williams noted the hard work of the local ISDs, and the need for support of their work and respective challenges.

Executive Session

There was none.

Adjournment

Chair Prater adjourned the work session at 3:52 p.m.

Approved:

Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Secretary