Texas Southmost College District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

June 18, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on June 18, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of Gorgas Hall, The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College. Board members present were David Oliveira, Chair, Eduardo A. Campirano, Vice Chair, Dr. Roberto Robles, Secretary, Chester Gonzalez, Adela G. Garza, Rosemary Breedlove and René Torres. Also present was Dr. Juliet V. García, President of The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Oliveira at 5:34 p.m.

1. Announcements

Mr. Oliveira called on Dr. García. Dr. García called on Dr. Tony Zavaleta, Interim Provost, who announced Irv Downing as the new Vice President for Economic Development and Community Services. Mr. Downing then made some brief remarks.

Dr. García next called on Dr. Ruth Ann Ragland, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, who introduced Marisa Campirano as the new Director of Alumni Relations. Ms. Campirano made a brief speech.

2. Speakers to the Items and Public Discussion

There were no speakers.
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Consideration and possible action on
Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 14, 2009

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 14, 2009. The motion was seconded by Ms. Breedlove and carried unanimously.

4. Board Briefing

Dr. García called on Dr. Hilda Silva, Vice President for Student Affairs. Dr. Silva introduced Dr. Vince Solis, Assistant Vice President for Student Development. Dr. Solis gave a presentation on the success of the Scorpion Athletics.

5. Executive Session

as provided by Government Code, Chapter 551.071, .074

The Board considered the Evaluation of the UTB/TSC President.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:04 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 7:11 p.m.

6. Consideration and possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session

Evaluation of the UTB/TSC President

Mr. Oliveira reported that the Board discussed Dr. García's performance for the previous year. He stated that the Board concurs that Dr. García has had an excellent year with many accomplishments. Mr. Oliveira added that the Board is pleased with Dr. García's achievements, and grateful for her leadership.
7. Bond Projects

Report

Mr. Oliveira called on Rosemary Breedlove to make the report. Ms. Breedlove reported that the Board Bond Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, June 9, 2009. The following items were discussed for recommendation:

Consideration and possible action on selection of an Architect for the Oliveira Library Renovation

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to select PBK Architects and ACR Engineering as the architectural design team for the Oliveira project renovation and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Garza and carried unanimously. *Exhibit “A”*

8. Physical Facilities Committee

Report

Mr. Oliveira called on Rosemary Breedlove to make the report. Ms. Breedlove reported that the Physical Facilities Committee met on Tuesday, June 16, 2009. The following items were discussed for recommendation:

Consideration and possible action on the awarding of a contract for moving services of Library material

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to make a recommendation to the Board to accept a contract from Jones Moving and Storage in the amount of $24,055.93, and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez and carried unanimously. *Exhibit “B”*

Consideration and possible action to accept a change order to the contract with Skanska, USA for the Library Mural

The change order with Skanska USA for the Library mural was tabled.
Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of furniture for the Center for Early Childhood Studies through a contract with Workplace Resource

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to accept the furniture purchase with Workplace Resource in the amount of $110,000 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez and carried unanimously. Exhibit “C”

Consideration and possible action for approval of a contract with Fixtures Furniture, TXMAS 3-7111040, to purchase dining hall furniture for the Center for Early Childhood Studies.

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to approve a contract with Furniture Fixture in the amount $27,700 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. Exhibit “D”

Consideration and possible action for approval to award a contract with Community Playthings to purchase classroom furniture.

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to approve a contract with Community Playthings in the amount $100,700 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “E”

Consideration and possible action for approval of a change order to RGV Paint Center and Construction for the Center of Early Childhood Studies.

A motion was made by Ms. Breedlove to approve a change order in the amount $191,585 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Planning and Construction to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “F”
9. Business Affairs Partnership Committee

Report

Mr. Oliveira called on Eduardo Campirano to make the report. Mr. Campirano reported that the Business Affairs Partnership Committee met on Monday, June 15, 2009. The following items were discussed for recommendation:

Consideration and possible action for approval of a contract with Design Build Solutions for the roof at ITEC Center Cameron Works.

The proposal includes all materials and services for the replacement of the ITECC Cameron Works roof. The project will be paid through a collaborative agreement using funds from Physical Plant’s ITECC account ($100,000), Jim Holt’s ITECC account ($155,000), and capital improvement funds ($30,390) from Texas Southmost College.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to accept the proposal from Design Build Solutions, a Garland Company, in the amount of $285,390 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Services to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez and carried unanimously. Exhibit “G”

Consideration and possible action for approval of a change order for the contract with Design Build Solutions for the Fort Brown Memorial Center (FBMC) roof project.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to accept the change order for the FBMC roof project from Design Build Solutions, a Garland Company, in the amount of $9,531.60 and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Services to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. Exhibit “H”

Consideration and possible action for approval of proposed electrical upgrades at the Rustenberg building.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to accept the proposal from Metro Electric in the amount of $93,620, and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Services to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “I”
Consideration and possible action for approval of the purchase of a new cooling tower cell for the Main Campus Thermal Plant with Johnson Controls.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approve the purchase from Johnson Controls, including option #1, in the amount of $148,062.15, and to authorize the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Services to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “J”

Consideration and possible action on the first reading of the TSC District Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Mr. Campirano introduced Melba Sanchez, Assistant Vice President for Finance, to present the TSC District Budget for fiscal year 2009-2010. Ms. Sanchez described revenues from ad valorem taxes and investment earnings, as well as increased expenses for insurance premiums and the upcoming 2010 Board elections. She also discussed budget priorities. The Budget will be presented for a second reading at the August Board meeting. No action was required.

Consideration and possible action on the first reading of the Board Policy V-D: Investment

Mr. Campirano reported that the Public Funds Investment Act requires that the District’s Investment Policy be reviewed on an annual basis. The changes being recommended will bring our policy in compliance with the Public Funds Investment Act.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approve the first reading of the Board Policy V-D: Investment. The motion was seconded by Ms. Breedlove and carried unanimously. Exhibit “K”

Consideration and possible action on selection of bank depository for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approve the renewal of the contract with BBVA Compass Bank as the District’s bank depository for the period beginning September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2011. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “L”
Consideration and possible action on a Budget amendment for fiscal year 2009.

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approval of budget amendment #09-010 for Fiscal Year 2009 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres and carried unanimously. Exhibit “M”

10. Bond Issuance

Mr. Oliveira called on Dr. David Pearson, Vice President for Partnership Affairs, to present this item. Dr. Pearson reported that in September 2004 the voters approved a $68 million bond election for the construction of various projects on campus. This is the fifth of five issuances for the $68 million bond initiative. In addition to these funds, the District has had the opportunity to leverage additional monies for campus maintenance while remaining within the 3.8 cent increase limit presented to the voters at the time of the election. Dr. Pearson then introduced Michelle Aragon of First Southwest Company’s San Antonio Office. Ms. Aragon gave a brief presentation.

Consideration and adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of “Texas Southmost College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2009”; entering into a bond purchase agreement and a paying agent/registrar agreement; approving an official statement; and authorizing and approving other matters related

A motion was made by Mr. Gonzalez to approve the Order authorizing the issuance of the TSC Limited Tax Bonds. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robles and carried unanimously. Exhibit “N”

Consideration and adoption of a resolution authorizing the issuance of “Texas Southmost College District Maintenance Tax Notes, Series 2009”; entering into a purchase contract and a paying agent/registrar agreement; approving an official statement; and authorizing and approving other matters related

A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to adopt the Resolution authorizing the issuance of the TSC District Maintenance Tax Notes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Breedlove and carried unanimously. Exhibit “O”
11. Construction Report

*Dr. Pearson reported the following:*

- The Campus Security Center is complete and campus police have moved in.
- Work continues at the Commissary Building, with historical molding and additional flooring being installed.
- Work at the Commandant's Quarters continues. The exterior work is now complete, with detailing replicating that found on the original 1860's structure. Electrical and plumbing are now being installed.
- The parking lot on 21st street is complete.
- Renovation work at the Cavalry building is now in progress.
- A sidewalk from the Student Union to the REK Center is in progress with attendant landscaping and lighting.

*Ms. Mendez reported the following:*

- The Parking lot for the REK Center is under construction. Over 140 spaces are being constructed to serve the REK, Scorpion Field, and the recreational field.
- Work at the Center of Early Childhood Studies continues with utilities work almost complete.
- Work continues at the Arts Center. Installation of the brick is almost done, and the windows have been installed.
- Work at the Science, Technology Learning Center building has begun. Piers have been drilled. The project is scheduled for completion in 2011.

12. President's Report

Report will be presented at August Board meeting.

13. Proposed Meeting Dates

- **July-No Meeting**
- **Thursday**, August 20, 2009
  - Special Meeting
- **Thursday**, August 27, 2009
- **Thursday**, September 3, 2009
  - Public Hearing
- **Tuesday**, September 8, 2009
  - Public Hearing
- **Thursday**, September 17, 2009
- **Thursday**, October 29, 2009
- **Thursday**, November 19, 2009
- **Thursday**, December 17, 2009
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Oliveira at 9:01 p.m.

Mr. David G. Oliveira
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Roberto Robles, M.D.
Secretary, Board of Trustees

NOTE: The tape of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on June 18, 2009 is on file at the District Office of the Texas Southmost College District. The master tape is on file at the UTB/TSC Media center. These minutes were taken and transcribed by Max E. Roca, Administrative Secretary. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees' meetings began on April 11, 1996. They are aired on Channel KBSD in cooperation with the Brownsville Independent School District.