MINUTES REGULAR MEETING ANGELINA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES October 19, 2020

The Angelina College Board of Trustees met in the Temple Theater of Angelina College. Officers present were Dr. Sid Roberts, President, Ms. Hilary Haglund Walker, Vice-President, Mr. Jay Shands, Secretary; Members present were Ms. Lynne Haney, Mr. Robert Poland, and Ms. Ellen Temple.

Mr. Joe Deason was absent.

College personnel attending the meeting were Dr. Michael Simon, President; Dr. Cynthia Casparis, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Mr. Chris Sullivan, Vice President of Business Affairs; Dr. Stacy Pfluger, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs; Mr. Tim Ditoro, Vice President of Continuing Workforce and Education; Ms. Dana Smithhart, Executive Director of Institutional Advancement and Student Affairs; Ms. Donna Busler, Director of the Nonprofit Leadership Center; Sandra Lamont, Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Academic Affairs; and Ms. Sarah Alvis, recording secretary.

Visitors present were Mr. Wes Welch, Dr. Monica Peters-Clark, Dr. Robert Lindsey, and Ms. Bonnie Denmon.

Dr. Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

COMMENTS TO THE BOARD

There were no comments to the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Dr. Roberts asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous meetings of the Board on September 21, 2020. There being no additions or corrections, Mr. Poland made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2020 regular meeting. Ms. Temple seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration of Bid and Proposal for Separation Incentive Plan (SIP) – Employee Education and Participation Services

Mr. Sullivan stated that based on a proposal received and reveiewed from PARS (Public Agency Retirement Services), it is recommended that the Board approve the College to engage PARS to create education materials and solicit interest from eligible employees for the Separation Incentive Plan. A summary of employees who elected to participate in the plan and a financial analysis will be presented at a future Board meeting. At that time, the Board may decide to proceed or not proceed with establishing and engaging in the SIP.

Mr. Shands made a motion to approve the College to engage PARS to create education materials and solicit interest from eligible employees, seconded by Ms. Walker, and approved.

Consideration and Board Action to Adopt a Formal Resolution to Express Intent of the College to Participate in the Economic Development Program and to Provide Incentives in the Form of Tax Abatement to Qualifying Businesses

Dr. Simon stated that at this time, the Board is voting to express intent to participate in the EDP and to grant tax abatements to qualifying businesses. A public hearing will be conducted to receive comments on the proposed guidelines and criteria for granting such tax abatements prior to approval. Ms. Walker made a motion to adopt the formal resolution as presented, seconded by Ms. Temple, and approved.

The regular meeting of the Board was temporarily adjourned at 5:38 p.m, in order to hold a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed guidelines and criteria for a Chapter 381 Texas Local Government Code Community and Economic Development Program and for a Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code Incentive and Tax Abatement program.

The public hearing was concluded at 5:40 p.m. and the regular meeting of the Board was called back to order.

Consideration and Board Action to Approve the Guidelines and Criteria for the Angelina College Chapter 381 Community and Economic Development and Incentive and Chapter 312 Tax Abatement Program

Having reviewed the proposed guidelines and criteria and having held a public hearing to receive comment, Ms. Walker made a motion to adopt and approve the proposed guidelines and criteria as presented, seconded by Ms. Haney, and approved.

REVIEW AND CONSENT

Financial Report and Monthly Investment Report

Mr. Sullivan presented the Financial Report and Monthly Investment Report to the Board for approval. He stated that the College is on track in terms of preparation for the December audit.

Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Casparis presented the following personnel recommendations for approval:

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS

Draper, Paul – Instructor, Mathematics; effective 08/31/2020 Friery, Gary – Dean of Technology/Workforce; effective 08/31/2020 Neal, Tracy – Administrative Assistant; effective 08/31/2020 Somers, Judy – Administrative Assistant; effective 08/31/2020

After a review of the reports, a motion was made by Mr. Poland and seconded by Mr. Shands to accept the Financial Report, Monthly Investment Report, and Personnel Recommendations as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:47 p.m., Dr. Roberts announced the beginning of the Executive Closed Session, provided by Section 551.071 of the Government Code in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

At 5:51 p.m., Dr. Roberts announced the end of the Executive Closed Session. Dr. Roberts announced that no action was taken in the Executive Session.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Report on Nonprofit Leadership Center

Ms. Donna Busler, Director of the Angelina College Nonprofit Leadership Center, gave a report on the past two years of development at the NLC, current available programming, and the plan for the upcoming three years. She described in detail the plan to create a Board Bank that would be available to local nonprofit organizations seeking candidates for leadership positions on their boards. Individuals would be required to successfully complete a Nonprofit Management course through the AC Nonprofit Leadership Center to be added to the Bank.

Distribution of Excess Proceeds from Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson

Dr. Simon presented the total amount of funds received from Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, as a result of completed tax sales from seven Angelina County lawsuits. These funds were disbursed to Angelina College as one of the taxing units of Angelina County.

REMARKS BY COLLEGE PRESIDENT

There were no remarks from the President.

REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

There were no remarks by Board members.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Dr. Roberts adjourned the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the November 16, 2020 board meeting.

Secretary

Board of Trustees

Angelina College

Dr. Sid Roberts

President

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