

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
ANGELINA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 14, 2023**

The Angelina College Board of Trustees met in the Administration Board Room of Angelina College. Officers present were Dr. Robert Lindsey, President and Mr. Malcolm Deason, Secretary. Members present were Ms. Lynne Haney, Ms. Hilary Haglund-Walker, Mr. Gilbert (Joey) Garza, and Dr. Sid Roberts.

College personnel attending the meeting were Dr. Michael Simon, President; Mr. Chris Sullivan, Vice President of Business Affairs and In-House Council; Dr. Tim Ditoro, Vice President of Academic Affairs; and Cindy Neal, Manager of President's Office and recording secretary.

Visitors present were Molly Abele, CPA and Audit Partner with Axley & Rode, LLP and Wes McDaniel, CEO with Ideal Impact, Inc.

Dr. Lindsey called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

COMMENTS TO THE BOARD

There were no comments to the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Dr. Lindsey asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous meeting of the Board on October 30, 2023. There being no corrections under terms and no other additions, Dr. Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2023 regular meeting. Ms. Haney seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration of Annual Audit

Ms. Molly Abele, of Axley & Rode, stated that there were no compliance findings and the audit team issued an unmodified opinion on the College's Annual Financial Report as of August 31, 2023 and 2022. They believe that the data was presented fairly in all material respects.

The Finance Committee of the Board met December 8, 2023, reviewed the audit and moved to recommend the Board approve the audit. The audit came to the Board as a seconded motion. All Board members voted in favor, and the audit was approved as presented.

Mr. Sullivan thanked the business office team for their help in preparing for the audit.

Consideration of Services Agreement with Ideal Impact, Inc.

Mr. McDaniel presented the services offered by Ideal Impact. He stated we currently spend on average \$702,000 on energy. He stated that there was no upfront cost to the college and the savings was estimated to be \$8 million over 15 years. The college will pay 80% of the actual gas and electricity charges quarterly until the net payments meet the total project fee of \$1,391,590.

A motion was made by Dr. Roberts to approve the Service Agreement. The motion was

seconded by Mr. Garza and the motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution and Payment Plan Agreement with Ideal Impact, Inc.

Quarterly payments are \$43,487.18. If the savings are less quarterly than the minimum quarterly payment, Ideal Impact will send the difference to the college. The college will secure a bank loan for the total of the quarterly payments, and to date none of their clients have had the loan longer than 6.5 years of the 15 years.

A motion was made by Dr. Roberts to approve the Resolution and Payment Plan Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garza and the motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Board Meeting Dates for 2024

Dr. Simon introduced the proposed Board Meeting dates for 2024 and with no objections or changes a motion was made by Ms. Haglund-Walker and seconded by Ms. Haney. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Bid Proposal for Roof Replacements for the Liberal Arts and Social & Behavioral Sciences (SBS) Buildings

Dr. Simon presented the recommendation of approving the roof replacements on the Liberal Arts and SBS buildings. Four bids were received and reviewed by Mr. Sullivan and Steve Capps, Director of Physical Plant. Merit Roofing Systems, Inc. met all of the required specifications and was within the allowable budget.

A motion was made by Dr. Roberts to approve the roof replacements with Merit Roofing Systems, Inc. A second was made by Ms. Haglund-Walker and the motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Course Fees proposal for Electronics Technology

Dr. Simon presented to the board course fee proposals for CETT 1304 High Reliability Soldering Course fee of \$110.00 and for CETT 1321 Electronic Fabrication course fee of \$110.00.

A motion was made by Dr. Roberts to approve the course fees for CETT 1304 and CETT 1321. A second was made by Mr. Deason and the motion passed unanimously.

New Program Approvals

Dr. Simon introduced the four new programs for approval.

- Associate of Arts with Field of Study in Criminal Justice
- Associate of Arts with Field of Study in Social Work – Dr. Ditoro stated that the state does the work and that SFA has a good pipeline of students
- Associate of Applied Arts in Law Enforcement Technology
- Associate of Applied Arts in Software Development – Dr. Ditoro stated that this is done through the Title V program and consists of local or remote jobs

A motion was made by Mr. Garza to approve the four new programs. A second was made by Ms. Haney and the motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of New and Revised Local Policies

The policy committee met on November 28, 2023, reviewed the policies, and moved to

recommend that the Board approve the policies as submitted. The policies came to the Board as a seconded motion. All Board members voted in favor, and the new and revised policies were approved as presented.

REVIEW AND CONSENT

Financial Report

Mr. Chris Sullivan presented the financials for the college as of October 31, 2023. Mr. Sullivan commented on typical inflation and the delay in FAS funding.

Monthly Investment Report

Mr. Chris Sullivan presented the Monthly Investment Report to the Board for approval. Chris stated the values are back up.

Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Simon presented the personnel recommendations for new hires, retirements, resignations, and separations for approval.

After some discussion and a review of the reports, a motion was made by Dr. Roberts and seconded by Ms. Haney to accept the Financial Report, Monthly Investment Report, and Personnel Recommendations as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was deemed necessary.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Business Affairs

Chris Sullivan presented a written annual report with highlights from 2023 for the Police Department, Physical Plant, Office of Grants, Information Technology, Business Office and Human Resources.

First Year Free

Dr. Simon introduced Krista Brown to discuss "First Year Free" program. Ms. Brown informed the Board that the program was introduced after school was out but the college still had 282 students participating in Fall 2023.

Mr. Garza asked about advertising for the program and Ms. Brown stated this would start in January and thanked the Board for believing in the Program.

Regulations

Dr. Simon discussed the changes to the recent regulations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

REMARKS BY COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Dr. Simon spoke on the Long-Range Planning meeting set for January 12, 2024 and reminded Board of Self-Evaluation that was due.

Dr. Simon discussed the routine audit related to the Perkins Grant and discussed the recommendation to add name and email address to the notice on the doors if students are panicking.

Dr. Simon also informed the board that Goodwin, Lasiter, Strong conducted an audit of the physical plant and there was nothing to report as of this date.

Dr. Simon informed the board that the college had plans to transition to Board Book software during the first quarter of 2024.

REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

There were no remarks by Board members.

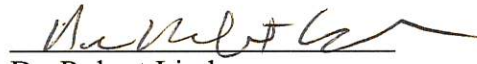
Next regular board meeting scheduled for February 19, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Lindsey adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.



Mr. Malcolm Deason
Secretary
Board of Trustees
Angelina College



Dr. Robert Lindsey
President
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