

## TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE

Minutes of the **Regular** Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
June 16, 2005

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session June 16, 2005 at 5:41 p.m. in the Board Room of Gorgas Hall, Texas Southmost College. Board members present were Mr. Chester Gonzalez, Chairman, Mr. Eduardo A. Campirano, Secretary, Mr. David Oliveira, Ms. Dolly Zimmerman and Dr. Roberto Robles. Absent was Ms. Rosemary Breedlove, Vice Chair. Also present was Dr. Juliet V. García, President of The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College.

### **Regular Meeting**

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gonzalez at 5:41 p.m.

- 1** **Executive Session** as provided by Government Code, Chapter 551.071-551.076, 551.082-551.084

**Amendment** to Fort Brown Memorial  
Golf Course Agreement  
**Contract** and Resolution for Purchase of  
Fort Brown Villa II, Unit 3C  
Brownsville, Texas  
**Contract** and Resolution for Purchase of  
Lots 25 and 26, Block 11 Colonia Alta  
Vista Addition, Brownsville, Texas  
**Contract** and Resolution for Share 19  
City Limits – 6 PT Tract 2 PT 7.23  
Property  
**Evaluation** of the President  
**Appointment** to Fill Board Vacancy

**The Board convened in Executive Session at 5:42 p.m.**

**The Board reconvened in regular session at 6:25 p.m.**

**2 Consideration and possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session**

**Consideration and possible action  
Amendment to Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course Agreement**

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the amendment to the Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course Agreement; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman; motion carried.**

**Consideration and possible action  
Contract and Resolution for Purchase of  
Fort Brown Villa II, Unit 3C, Brownsville, Texas**

**A motion was made by Mr. Campirano to approve the Contract and Resolution for Purchase of Fort Brown Villa II, Unit 3C Brownsville, Texas in the amount of \$35,000; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman; motion carried unanimously.**

**Consideration and possible action  
Contract and Resolution for Purchase of  
Lots 25 and 26, Block 11 Colonia Alta Vista Addition, Brownsville, Texas**

**A motion was made by Dr. Robles to approve the Contract and Resolution for Purchase of Lots 25 and 26, Block 11 Colonia Alta Vista Addition, Brownsville, Texas in the amount of \$60,000; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman as presented; motion carried unanimously.**

**Consideration and possible action  
Discussion on Share 19 City Limits – PT Tract 2 PT 7.23 Property**

**A motion was made by Ms. Zimmerman to authorize the President or her designee to extend an offer to purchase Share 19 City Limits – PT Tract 2 PT 7.23 property on the terms discussed in Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Oliveira as presented; motion carried unanimously.**

**Consideration and possible action  
Evaluation of the President**

This item was tabled.

**Consideration and possible action  
Appointment Fill Board Vacancy**

Chairman Gonzalez opened the floor for nominations to fill Position 1 which was vacated by Ms. Cardenas. He noted that the person appointed to Place 1 will serve until the next scheduled election, which is May 2006, at which time that person may choose to run to fill the remaining two years of the term.

Dr. Robles nominated Mr. Roman "Dino" Esparza, an attorney from Brownsville. Mr. Oliveira stated that the Board members received several calls from interested individuals to be considered by the Board to fill this position. Their interest in UTB/TSC is greatly appreciated.

**A motion was made by Dr. Robles to appoint Mr. Roman "Dino" Esparza to Place 1 of the Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman; motion carried unanimously.**

**3 Buildings**

**Consideration and possible action on  
Adopting a Resolution Naming North and South Halls**

Chairman Gonzalez read the resolution renaming North and South Halls to Mary Rose Cardenas Hall North and Mary Rose Cardenas Hall South. The resolution honors Ms. Cardenas for her 21 years of distinguished service to TSC.

**A motion was made Dr. Robles to adopt a Resolution Naming North and South Halls the Mary Rose Cardenas Hall North and Mary Rose Cardenas Hall South; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman; motion carried unanimously.**

**4 Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

**Consideration and possible action on Minutes of  
Regular Meeting May 19, 2005**

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2005 as presented; seconded by Dr. Robles; motion carried unanimously.**

**5 Speakers to Agenda Items and Public Discussion**

There were no speakers.

## **6 Bond Projects**

### **Consideration and possible action Appointment of Board Bond Advisory Committee Members**

Dr. Ronnau reported that the purpose of the Board Bond Advisory Committee (BBAC) is to oversee the bond projects by providing input and reviewing recommendations from the President, Executive Council and Campus Advisory Committee. A list of recommended members was provided to the Board for review. Dr. Ronnau stated that staff would continue to accept recommendations for community members to serve on the BBACs until the following week at which time the Chair will finalize the list.

## **7 Business Affairs Partnership Committee**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the Business Affairs Partnership Committee met on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Though a quorum was not present, the members concurred the following:

### **TSC Budget Presentation for Fiscal Year 2005-2006**

Dr. Ronnau made a presentation on the proposed TSC Budget for Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006. He stated that the budget is being presented for review only and that no action is requested at this meeting. The budget will be presented for action at the August 25 meeting of the Board. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

### **Consideration and possible action on SUJCD Budget Presentation for Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006**

Ms. Rosemary Martinez, Vice President for Business Affairs, presented the proposed UTB/TSC Budget for Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006. A copy of the presentation is attached.

### **Report on Items for Liquidation**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the Committee reviewed a list of items for liquidation from the former Ramada Inn Hotel. Funds earned from the liquidation will be used to cover the cost of razing the structures now in the site. The site will be used for new student housing in the future.

**No action needed**

**Consideration and possible action on  
Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course Fee Schedule**

Mr. Oliveria reported that the Committee reviewed the proposed Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course Fee Schedule. The proposed changes are: Green Fees will increase from \$9.24 to \$12.00 and the Cart Fees from \$7.39 to \$10.00; the yearly membership fees will increase from \$416 to \$510, six month membership fees will increase from \$312 to \$381; and the three month membership fees will increase from \$250 to \$206. He stated that all the proposed fees are still low in comparison with the Brownsville Golf Center and the Tony Butler Golf Center in Harlingen.

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course Fee Schedule as presented; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman motion carried.**

**Consideration and possible action on  
ITECC Communications Ductbank Bid**

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to accept the ITECC Communications Ductbank bid from Hi-Tech Controls, Brownsville, Texas in the amount of \$34,423 as presented; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman motion carried.**

**Consideration and possible action on  
ITECC Cooling Tower Bid**

Mr. Oliveira reported the request for proposals for the ITECC Cooling Tower bid was advertised in The Brownsville Herald and Valley Morning Star. One bid was submitted by TexAir, Inc. and they met all the requirements for the project. Mr. Oliveira stated that staff recommends that the Board accept the bid from TexAir, Inc. in the amount of \$395,000 as presented.

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the ITECC Cooling Tower Bid from TexAir, Inc. in the amount of \$395,000 as presented; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman motion carried.**

**Consideration and possible action on  
TSC Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2005-2006**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the budget amendment #05-010 adjusts lapsed salaries previously budgeted in FY 2004 in the amount of \$1,450; it adds \$900 for additional meeting food service expenses and \$500 for additional consulting fee expenses

previously budgeted in FY 04. In addition, the budget amendment adds \$88,000 for election expenses.

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the TSC Budget Amendment #05-010 as presented; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman motion carried.**

## **9 Physical Facilities Subcommittee**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the Physical Facilities Subcommittee met twice since the last Board meeting. On Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> the Committee met to discuss the Academic Senate Report on Environmental Sustainability, the proposed placement of a historical marker on campus, and the process for the selection of the management firm for the bond projects.

Dr. Ronnau read the resolution in Support of a Sustainable Campus Environment. He thanked the Academic Senate and faculty for their efforts in this important area.

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to adopt the Resolution in Support of a Sustainable Campus Environment as presented; seconded by Dr. Robles motion carried.**

Mr. Oliveira reported that on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> the Committee met to interview the two firms that submitted proposals for management of the bond projects: Nick Fernandez and Broaddus & Associates.

He introduced Ms. Veronica Mendez to present this item. Ms. Mendez stated that staff recommends selecting Broaddus & Associates as Project Manager for construction of the bond projects. She also stated that a Memorandum of Understanding is being presented to the Board for approval in order to begin the management of the projects before a contract is negotiated with Broaddus & Associates and approved by the Board.

**A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira to approve the selection of Broaddus & Associates as Project Manager for construction of the bond projects and authorize the President or her designee to execute the Memorandum of Understanding as presented. The contract will be presented for consideration to the Board at the August meeting; seconded by Ms. Zimmerman; motion carried unanimously.**

## **10 Construction Report**

Dr. Ronnau narrated a video of current construction on campus. He reported the following:

- The progress on the parking lot for the Education and Business Complex. He stated that approximately 500 spaces will be completed by the Fall semester.
- Construction continues for the Education and Business Complex. Work has begun on the exterior of the building. Landscaping has begun around the Paseo and sidewalks. Completion is scheduled for the Fall semester.

## 11 President's Report

*Dr. García reported the following:*

- Dr. Charles Dameron has been selected as the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. The Board congratulated Dr. Dameron on his new appointment.
- The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program has received a five year certification/endorsement by the American Holistic Nurses' Certification Corporation (AHNCC). Dr. Garcia congratulated the entire BSN faculty for their successful five years.
- The UT System has approved a change to two degree programs in the College of Science, Mathematics and Technology. The Bachelor's degrees for Physics and Chemistry have been changed from Bachelor's of Arts (B.A.) to Bachelor's of Science.
- UTB/TSC hosted a Young Writers' camp May 30 through June 3, 2005. The camp was sponsored by the Sabal Palms Writing Project and was designed and directed by Dr. Teresa Murden of the Department of English and Communication. Writing supplies for campers were donated by the UTB/TSC Barnes and Noble Bookstore.
- The Music Academy at UTB/TSC is offering summer group classes and camps in piano, violin, guitar theory and jazz. Children of ages 2 to 14 can attend camp and classes.
- UTB/TSC Senior Music Major in Voice, Tammie Garza, recently won the honor to conduct musical selections at the Texas Choral Directors Association in San Antonio. Tammy competed with over 300 music students from Universities across Texas.
- UTB/TSC music faculty members, Dr. Carol McNabb and Dr. Sue Zanne Williamson Urbis have been selected to serve as Co-Chairs of Texas Music Educators Association University/College Division Certification Review Panel for the new TEXAS state Examination in Music Education.
- UTB/TSC Mariachi Escorpion will present "Summer Fiesta with Escorpion" on Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of the Science, Engineering and Technology Building.

- UTB/TSC will sponsor the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Astronomy Ambassador’s Program June 8-28, 2005.
- UTB Development Chair Elect, Mr. Eduardo Rodriguez, was selected to lead the State Bar of Texas. Mr. Rodriguez will be sworn as the next President of State Bar of Texas on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at the annual meeting in Dallas, Texas.

**12 Proposed Meeting Dates**

**Board of Trustees Meetings:**

- August 4, 2005
- August 25, 2005
- September 15, 2005
- Retreat September 23-24, 2005
- October 20, 2005

**Partnership Committee Meetings:**

- BAPC – August 18, 2005
- IEPC – August 19, 2005

Mr. Gonzalez reviewed the dates with the Board.

There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Gonzalez at 7:49 p.m.

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Mr. Chester Gonzalez  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

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Mr. Eduardo A. Campirano  
Secretary Board of Trustees

**NOTE:** The tape of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held on June 16, 2005 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 Alma B. Solis. Videotaping of the Board of Trustees’ meetings began on April 11, 1996. They are aired on Channel KISD in cooperation with the Brownsville Independent School District.