Cisco College Board of Regents
Regular Board Meeting
November 12, 2018

The Cisco College Board of Regents met Monday, November 12, 2018, in the Board Room of the Regents’ House on the college main campus in Cisco, Texas. Officers in attendance were President Brad Kimbrough, Vice President Ronnie Ledbetter and Secretary Ricky Whatley. Regents present were Matt Johnson, Jerry Conring, Staci Wilks and Greg Cary. Regents Joe Jarvis and Sharon Wilcoxon were absent. College administrators present were Dr. Thad J. Anglin, President; Dr. Jerry Dodson, Vice President for Student Services; Dr. Carol Dupree, Provost and Vice President of Instruction; and Audra Taylor, Chief Financial Officer and Dean of Business Services. Sydni Rabbo, recording secretary, was present.

Guests present during the meeting included Roger Tighe, Cisco College Chief of Police and Zane Laws, Faculty Senate Representative.

Secretary Ricky Whatley offered an invocation.

President Kimbrough called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

President Kimbrough asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular meeting of October 8, 2018. There were none voiced and he declared the minutes approved as presented.

Dean of Business Services and Chief Financial Officer, Audra Taylor, presented the financial statements for the month ending October 31, 2018. The first page shows the Cash/Investment totals followed by the Revenues on the 2nd page. In summary, we have a surplus of $2.2 million.

President Dr. Thad Anglin, gave the fundraising report since the last board meeting held October 8, 2018. A total of $15,925.00 was received, this included $1,000.00 from Alumni and Friends and a total of $14,925.00 for the Gym “Face Lift” floor and bleachers.

Vice President for Student Services, Dr. Jerry Dodson, gave the enrollment update. He stated that the handout passed out contains the enrollment numbers as of today. There are 318 students enrolled for the 2nd 8 weeks, making it a 35% increase from this time last year.

President Dr. Anglin recommends having a Special Called Meeting on December 3rd beginning at 7:30 p.m., for our auditor, Cam Gulley, to present the Audit. On a motion by Regent Ronnie Ledbetter and a second by Regent Matt Johnson, the board voted to have a Special Called Board of Regents Meeting on Monday, December 3, 2018, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Motion passed 6 – 0, with Regents Wilcoxon and Jarvis absent.

President Dr. Anglin discussed the Title V McMurry Cooperative Grant with the Regents. The Title V grant is awarded to outstanding Hispanic-serving institutions for strengthening efforts to foster and expand opportunities for Hispanic success in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields. This grant will provide $3.75M to the two institutions over the next five years. Funding began on October 1, 2018. Cisco and McMurry Faculty collaboration in developing student research teams in science. A few instructional improvements from the grant will include, interactive research programs for students; biological science equipment; a lab at Cisco; Cisco/Abilene science lab equipment and enhancements to the virtual cadaver lab; and a construction of a greenhouse at the Cisco Campus. There will be a press conference regarding
the grant tomorrow, Tuesday, November 13th at McMurry. Dr. Anglin will keep the board updated throughout the process.

It is recommended that the College increase its out-of-district fee by $5 per semester credit hour effective with the Spring 2019 semester. This is a 3% increase. It is estimated that such an increase would generate approximately $150,000 additional revenue. The new proposed rates for each semester credit hour would be $138 for the Cisco Campus and $158 for the Abilene Campus and Online students. This proposal would not apply to the dual credit courses. Approximately half of the other community colleges had increases in Fall 2018 and Cisco College did not increase in the fall; therefore, I believe Cisco College still has the ability to remain competitive. On a motion by Regent Whatley and a second by Regent Cary, the board voted to approve the increase in the out-of-district fee. Motion passed 6 – 0, with Regents Wilcoxen and Jarvis absent.

As required by law, a memo stating the training board members had received during the current calendar year was reviewed. Regent Matt Johnson completed the following training online and received certificates for each, Training for Members of Governing Boards (TX Edu.Cod, Section 61.084); Open Meetings/Public Information; and Intensive Short Orientation Course for Members of Governing Boards.

Dr. Anglin went on to the next item on the agenda, Abilene (Taylor County) Maintenance Tax. We received 45% of the votes. We will continue to tell our story and start marketing more to make sure the community know and understands what exactly the maintenance tax is and what it will do for the community and students. We have a lot of work to do and have already begun preparing for November 2019.

Moving on to the next item of business, President Kimbrough stated that an executive session was necessary and the board would enter into Closed Meeting at 7:43 p.m., on November 12, 2018, for the Discussion of Personnel Matters, as provided by Secs. 551-071 through 551-076 of the Texas Government Code, specifically 551.074.

At 8:03 p.m., the Board of Regents of Cisco College returned to Open Meeting on November 12, 2018. President Kimbrough announced no decisions were made and no votes were taken while in Closed Session.

President, Dr. Thad Anglin, reported that there were no resignations, retirements, or terminations announced since the last meeting. There were no recommendations for employment of part-time personnel. There were two recommendations for employment of full-time personnel. These include Mychellya Shadle, Coordinator of Workforce and Economic Development and Laura White, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Instruction and Provost. There were no other personnel matters and on a motion by Regent Staci Wilks and a second by Regent Ricky Whatley, the board voted to accept the recommendations of full-time employment, as presented. Motion passed 6 – 0, with Regents Wilcoxen and Jarvis absent.

Remarks from the Faculty Senate Representative, Zane Laws, we have received the Title V Grant and the research team will begin in January. We will need to recruit at least one student. There will be a Faculty Senate meeting later this month. Will have another update for the board at the January meeting.
Under Remarks by the President, Dr. Thad Anglin, stated there were none.

There were no Remarks from the Board Members.

The next regular board meeting is January 14, 2019. There will be a special called board meeting on December 3, 2018, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

President Kimbrough anticipated a motion to adjourn. Regent Whatley obliged and Regent Wilks seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Minutes presented and approved the 14 day of January, 2019, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Cisco College Board of Regents.

Ricky Whatley, Secretary
Board of Regents
Cisco College

Brad Kimbrough, President
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