The Cisco College Board of Regents met Monday, November 8, 2021, 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 Rick Watts and Secretary Ricky Whatley. Regents present were Matt Johnson, Jerry Conring, Staci Wilks and Greg Cary. Regents Sharon Wilcoxon and Joe Jarvis were absent. College administrators present were Dr. Thad J. Anglin, President; Dr. Carol Dupree, Provost and Vice President of Instruction; and Dr. Jerry Dodson, Vice President for Student Services and Athletic Director. Audra Taylor, Chief Financial Officer and Dean of Business Services, was absent. Sydni Rabb, Executive Assistant, was present.

Guest present at the meeting was Roger Tighe, Cisco College Chief of Police.

Regent Matt Johnson offered the invocation.

President Kimbrough called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Kimbrough asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular meeting of October 11, 2021. There were none voiced and he declared the minutes approved as presented.

President, Dr. Thad Anglin, presented the financial statements for the month ending October 31, 2021. The first page shows the Cash/Investment totals followed by the Revenues on the 2nd page. In summary, we have a surplus of $1.7 million.

President, Dr. Anglin, gave the fundraising report since the last board meeting held October 11, 2021. A total of $13,422.00 was received, this included $127.00 for Special Projects and $13,295.00 for Athletic Program Donations.

Vice President for Student Services and Athletic Director, Dr. Jerry Dodson, gave the enrollment update. He stated that the handout contains the certified enrollment numbers for the fall 2021 semester and compares them to previous years. The handout also shows enrollment numbers for the 2nd 8-week flex term and compares to years past. Fall 2nd 8-week flex-term numbers will be counted in spring 2022. Spring 2022 registration scheduled to start November 10, 2021.

Moving to New Business, President Dr. Thad Anglin read a board Proclamation honoring Veterans of the Armed Services for their service to their communities and the nation and the appreciation, respect and gratitude of Cisco College, the administration, faculty and staff for their service. The Proclamation is to be visibly displayed at both the Abilene and Cisco campuses for an extended period before and beyond Veterans Day. Regent Rick Watts moved and Regent Jerry Conring seconded to approve the Veterans Day Proclamation, as presented. Motion passed 6 – 0, with Regents Wilcoxon and Jarvis absent.

Cisco College seeks to upgrade current Audio/Visual Equipment in classrooms at the Cisco and Abilene Campuses to improve instruction. Data Projections has designed this solution with faculty and students in mind. The system has been based with an "ease-of-use" mindset both in control and connectivity. Items discussed: this will be a Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) funded project; high priority classrooms (faculty input); 5 total classrooms; Schaefer Hall #6, 8, and 10; Abilene Campus # 207 and 208; Epson Laser Projectors (no
maintenance/no bulbs); and video, hardware, audio. After a brief discussion, Regent Wilks moved and Regent Cary seconded to approve the Data Projections – Classroom Technology Upgrades, as presented. 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 Brad Kimbrough completed the Training for Members of Governing Boards (TX Edu. Code, Section 61.084). Regent Rick Watts completed the Training for Members of Governing Boards (TX Edu. Code, Section 61.084), Open Meeting/Public Information (formerly known as Open Government) Training, and Intensive Short Orientation Course for Members of Governing Boards. Both were issued certificates for each training completed. As of November 8, 2021, all Regents have successfully completed all mandatory training.

Dr. Anglin presented an update to the Regents on the Title V McMurry Cooperative Grant. Year 3 End-of-Year update: 1) Research Teams – both Cisco campus teams completed their planned projects and both Justin Ceniceros and Brandi Terry will continue running research teams in Year 4; 2) Construction – Greenhouse construction complete. Moving into planning for Year 4 construction project; 3) Transfer Initiative – McMurry has hired the 3rd transfer specialist and she began making campus visits in July; 4) Budget – end of year expenses attached. Major purchases included a new set of LED microscopes for the Cisco campus, a 2nd bovine breeder for the Agriculture program, a horticulture reference library, and faculty laptops; and 5) Faculty development – I continue to struggle to get Abilene science faculty involved with the exception of Rachel Ritchie who will be running a research team in Year 4. Year 4 Kickoff Items and Planning: 1) Research team faculty would like to begin discussions of constructing a greenhouse on the Abilene campus. $27,600 budgeted for construction and $24,000 budgeted for supplies could cover the cost of a similar structure; 2) Year 4 funds may need to be utilized to fix the Cisco greenhouse foundation (drain was set above the foundation level – Justin Ceniceros is looking into costs to add a trench drain); and 3) 3 research teams have secured students and begun purchasing supplies: Rachel Ritchie – Team Backyard Bats, Brandi Terry – Team Terry’s AI Experts, and Justin Ceniceros – Team I.O.C.P, brochures were passed out to board members with team descriptions. Dr. Anglin will continue to keep the board updated throughout the process.

Dr. Anglin went to the next item on the agenda, Federal and State Grant Programs Update. He updated the board on the current grants, what all we have spent, have left and the total amount we received. Each grant has certain criteria on what it can be used on and what we can apply it to. He will continue to keep the board updated on all grants.

Dr. Anglin gave a Facilities Maintenance and Operations Plan update to the board. This included SUB renovation project – project/architectural design stage underway; campus building signs (gathering bids); Abilene Campus – HVAC replacement project (HEERF) – 1 installed 2nd is on hold for the ground to dry out; President’s Hall – replace HVAC units (HEERF) – systems ordered – on schedule for holiday installation;Wrangler Hall – brick ledge and window seals repaired; Vo-Tech - 1 sidewalk work/water mitigation (scheduled); 5 classrooms – technology upgrades; and border around gas meter (scheduled). He will continue to keep the board updated.

There were no personnel recommendations to be approved.

The Faculty Senate was not present, therefore, there were no Remarks.
Under Remarks by the President, Dr. Thad Anglin, Nursing Graduation will be held on Thursday, December 9th at 6pm at Trinity Baptist Church in Abilene. Sydni will send out a reminder to all with the address.

There were no Remarks from Board Members.

The next board meeting is December 13, 2021.

President Kimbrough entertained a motion to adjourn. Regents Watts and Wilks obliged with a motion and second, respectively. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Minutes presented and approved the 13th day of December, 2021, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Cisco College Board of Regents.

Ricky Whatley, Secretary
Board of Regents
Cisco College

Brad Kimbrough, President
Board of Regents
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