# ALVIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2025 OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Board of Regents of Alvin Community College met in a regular session on the 9th day of January at 6:00 p.m., with the following members, administrative personnel, and guests present:

# Regents Present

'Bel Sanchez	Chairman
Jody Droege	Vice-Chai
Patty Hertenberger	Secretary
Jim Crumm	Regent
Michael Hoover	Regent
Breah Knape	Regent
Mike Pyburn	Regent
Yvette Reyes-Hall	Regent
Darren Shelton	Regent

# **ACC Administration Present**

Robert Exley	President, Alvin Community College
Stacy Ebert	Alvin Community College
Beth Nelson	Alvin Community College
Crystal Lee	Alvin Community College
John Matula	Alvin Community College
Wendy Del Bello	Alvin Community College
Kelly Klimpt	Alvin Community College
Kelley Peatross	Alvin Community College
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# ACC Employees & Guests Present

Felicia Jimenez	Lilly Garcia
Kyle Marasckin	Patty Sanchez
John Tompkins	John Murray, Jr.
LaVonna Miller	Scott Turnbough
Debra Fontenot	Laurel Joseph
Linet George	Anita Exley
Harold Griffin	Kyle Stone
Estevan Vasquez	Huff Mann
Leigh Ann Moore	Brooke Jacob
Patrick Sanger	Chris Tennison
Chief Ronnie Phillips	Mark Chudy
Bryan Hinshaw	Brian Smith

# Chad Fontenot

Jason Schreiber

# Call to Order

Chair Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

# **Certification of Posting of Notice**

Certification of the posting of the notice as listed in the agenda was acknowledged. Dr. Exley certified that a notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with Title 5, Chapter 551, <u>Texas Government Code</u>.

#### **Board Recognitions**

For the first time ever, our Drama Department was recognized for its excellence by receiving nominations for the Broadway World regional awards. The College received nominations in several categories. Drama Director Chris Tennison was nominated for the best direction and best lighting. Coordinator D'Carrey Stell was nominated for best scenic design. The Addams Family production was nominated for best musical while The Diary of Anne Frank was nominated for best play. Please help me recognize Drama Director Chris Tennison and Coordinator D'Carrey Stell.

#### **Executive Session**

For the purpose of a private consultation with its attorney when seeking the advice of its attorney, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.071; Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.072.

The meeting was called back into session by Chair Sanchez at 7:06 p.m.

- Pledge
- Invocation

Invocation by Regent Patty Hertenberger

#### **Citizen Inquiries**

There were no citizen inquiries.

#### **Board Comments**

Chair Bel Sanchez recognized Regent Breah Knape for being nominated as the Angleton Chamber of Commerce finalist for Citizen of the Year. Regent Shelton enjoyed attending the Spring Convocation Luncheon. Also added the devastation of the fires in California. Regent Patty Hertenberger is happy to see that the J Building is close to reopening. ACC and Cisco are the top community colleges that have put graduates into the workforce. Regent Hoover loved the Convocation luncheon. Regent Reyes-Hall wished everyone a Happy New Year. Regent Droege also welcomed everyone back from the holidays. Regent Crumm attended the ACC Christmas band concert. Five ACC students were selected for the All-State Band. Regent Pyburn is proud of ACC ranking number 1 in Texas for 97 percent of graduates obtain employment or successfully transfer to a college or university within one year of graduating.

# **Committee Reports**

The committees met on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Regent Crumm provided the facilities report, which included updates on the various campus projects, including the Stantec report on facilities conditions.

Regent Shelton presented the budget and finance report. The committee discussed the reserves policy and is working with staff on the budget process.

# **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Chair Sanchez said that she would entertain a motion to approve the Consent Agenda that included the approval of the Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 21, 2024, and approval of the Grants report.

A move to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Regent Droege. Seconded by Regent Reyes-Hall. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **President's Report**

Dr. Exley gave a summary that included the following:

Registration is still open for Spring and classes begin on Monday. Earlier this week our faculty and staff had the Spring convocation to prepare for the upcoming semester. (Enrollment update)

ACC was one of 18 American colleges to receive a Strengthening Community College grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. The \$1.5 million grant will go towards upgrading the CNC/machinist program and will fund staffing, equipment, and curriculum development with the aim of increasing the number of women in the field.

If will remember last year, we had several students who had internships at the Masters Golf tournament. This year we will have many more at the tournament. Joining them this year, however, will be our Chef and Culinary Arts director Laura Trigo who will serve as one of the chefs for the event.

After receiving heavy damage from Hurricane Beryl in July, the Building J repairs are nearing completion. The Art Department folks have started to move their equipment back into the facility and we will be throwing pottery before you know it.

We had several ceremonies this past December for some of our programs. The Police Academy graduated its 123rd class on December 9. Our graduates are now working at several agencies including Alvin, Galveston, Brazoria County Sheriff, Fort Bend County Sheriff, Port of Galveston, Texas City, and the Harris County Fire Marshal's office.

The Associate Degree Nursing program had its pinning ceremony for the December graduates on December 11. The Fall 2024 class included 28 graduates from diverse backgrounds. Many of the students had an education and careers in other fields before joining the program.

The Library Speaker Series will continue on February 4 with journalist Brandi Smith. Investigative reporter Randy Wallace served as the previous speaker on December 5.

The college will host a juried art exhibit in honor of Black History Month from February 3-27. Entries for the show are still being accepted. Contact the visual arts coordinator for more information.

We are saddened to learn about the passing of our former board member Bill Vela who died this past November. Mr. Vela was a regent from 1992 to 2001. Our thoughts are with his family at this time.

This report was for information only.

# Discussion of Guidelines for Recommending to the Board on Naming Facilities

Dr. Exley presented the guidelines for Naming Facilities to the Board. Based on these guidelines, an APM will be developed.

#### **Student Services Data Update**

Mr. John Matula presented the Student Services Data Update for the Fall of 2024.

# Strategic Plan Report - Goal 1

Mr. John Matula and Dr. Stacy Ebert presented the Strategic Plan Goal 1 Report. Goal 1 is to strengthen student success. All goals have been met and/or exceeded.

# **Annual Audit Results Update**

Ben Cohen with Crowe LLP stated that the audit is still in progress. The final audit report will be finalized by the next Board Meeting.

# <u>Consider Approval of the Partnership with National Crane Certification and Inspection Co.</u> (NCCIC)

Regent Pyburn moved to authorize the President to enter into an annual contract with NCCIC. Seconded by Regent Knape. Motion passed unanimously.

# Consider Approval of Texas Interlocal Purchasing Cooperative (TIPC) Agreement

Regent Shelton moved to authorize the President to enter into an approved Master Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with participating members of the Texas Interlocal Purchasing Cooperative. Seconded by Regent Hertenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

# **Consider Approval of Campus Fencing**

Regent Reyes-Hall moved to authorize the President to enter into a minor facilities contract with Ballew Construction for the furnishing and installation of specific fencing across the campus. Seconded by Regent Droege. Motion passed unanimously.

# **Consider Approval of Online Proctoring Tool**

Regent Shelton moved to authorize the President to enter into an agreement with Respondus for the balance of this fiscal year and the following two fiscal years, not to exceed \$50,000.00. Seconded by Regent Hertenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

# Consider Approval of TASB Local Board Policy Update 48

Regent Droege moved to add, revise, or delete (Local) policies as recommended by TASB Community College Services and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 48. Seconded by Regent Hertenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Consider Approval of Financial Report Ending November 30, 2024

Regent Shelton moved to approve the Financial Report for November 2024. Seconded by Regent Hertenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Dr. Patty Hertenberger, Secretary

'Bel Sanchez, Chair