

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF McLENNAN COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT**

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The Board of Trustees of McLennan Community College met for a regular meeting at the Northwood House on the McLennan Community College Campus on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Those present at the Board Meeting were: Ms. Sue Allen, Program Director/Professor, Veterinary Technician Program; Mr. Bunty Archer, IT Specialist; Mr. Alex Balaban, Student Liaison; Dr. Stephen Benson, Vice President, Finance and Administration; Dr. Dennis Clark, Professor, Veterinarian Technician Program; Mr. Terry Clendennen, IT Specialist; Ms. LaTasha Davis, Student Resource Specialist; Ms. Aimee Edwards, Manager, Equine Programs; Ms. Claire Edwards, Continuing Education Instructor, Highlander Ranch; Dr. Lisa Elliott, Director, Marketing & Communications; Dr. Christi Esquivel, Division Chair, Business Programs; Dr. Elaine Fagner, President, Faculty Council; Ms. Kangelia Frazier, Student Guest; Ms. Glynnis Gaines, Dean, Health Professions; Ms. Alyssa Goble, Student Guest; Ms. Cecilia Herrera, Student Guest; Dr. Fred Hills, Vice President, Instruction & Student Engagement; Ms. Heather Holt, Vice Chair, Administrative Staff Advisory Committee; Mr. Edwin Howell, Student Guest; Mr. Kaden Huff, Student Liaison; Ms. Ja'Onestie Johnson, Student Guest; Ms. Ashlee Keyes, Dance Director, Dance Team; Mr. Patrick Koon, Chair, Administrative Staff Advisory Committee; Ms. Kaylee Lynch, Student Guest; Ms. Gabby Lizama, Student Guest; Miss Ashli Magana, Student Guest; Ms. Stephanie Maulsby, Director, Continuing Education; Ms. Michaela McCown, Vice President, Faculty Council; Dr. Johnette McKown, President; Ms. Kim Patterson, Executive Director, MCC Foundation; Mr. Bennie Prnka, PC Specialist (Zoom); Ms. Ashlyn Roberts, Student Guest; Ms. Blayne Rogers, Student Guest; Ms. Jocelyn Rodriguez, Student Guest; Ms. Sofia Ruiz, Student Guest; Mr. Peter Rusek, College Attorney; Ms. Berania Sanchez, Student Guest; Ms. Laurel Shrawder, Associate Professor, Veterinary Technician Program; Ms. Shawn Trochim, Athletic Director; Ms. Jamie Volaski, Barn Manager, Highlander Ranch; Dr. Laura Wichman, Chief Research & Effectiveness Officer; Ms. McKenna Worthington, Student Guest; Mr. Clayton Williams, Chief of Police; Ms. Morgan Wishart, Student Guest; and members of the Board of Trustees as follows:

Ms. Pauline Chavez
Mr. Jonathan Hill
Mr. K. Paul Holt, Chairman
Dr. Elizabeth Palacios
Mr. Earl Stinnett, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ricky Turman, Secretary
Ms. Geneva Watley (Zoom)

Mr. Holt, Chairman of the Board, called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Johnette McKown introduced the guests present at the Regular Board Meeting.

No one from the public came to address the Board during this agenda item.

Mr. Earl Stinnett arrived at the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Dr. McKown introduced Ms. Shawn Trochim who introduced the McLennan Dance Company. The Board watched their winning dance routine and also recognized their accomplishments this season. (D.F. V—659)

The Board recognized Mr. Alex Balaban and Mr. Kaden Huff, the outgoing Student Liaisons. Both were given a gift as a token of appreciation for their service over the past year. (D.F. V—660)

Dr. Hills introduced Mr. Vincent Crowson and Miss Chloe Thornborn, two Honors College students. The Board recognized their accomplishments. (D.F. V—661)

Dr. McKown introduced Dr. John Spano, the outgoing Honors College coordinator. The Board recognized him for his service the last few years. Dr. Hills also announced the names of the new Honors College Coordinators, Dr. Otsmar Villarreal and Dr. Shelly Rogers-Sharer. (D.F. V—662)

We are going to delay the Title V presentation for this month.

Dr. McKown introduced Dr. Laura Wichman and Ms. LaTasha Davis who presented the Data Moment regarding the Trellis Student Financial Wellness Survey. (D.F. V—663)

Dr. McKown presented the following Consent Agenda Items for Board approval (D.F. V—664):

- 1) Consideration of and Approval of Minutes of the March 28, 2023 Board Meeting, and April 11, 2023 Board to Board Meeting
- 2) Consideration of and Approval of Resolution Regarding Requests to Waive Penalty and Interest for Delinquency on Community College Taxes
- 3) Consideration of and Approval of Contract to Renew and Upgrade Surveillance System
- 4) Consideration of and Approval of Core Curriculum Changes
- 5) Consideration of and Approval of Big IP F5 Load Balancer
- 6) Appointment of Personnel—Athletic Trainer (Two Positions); Women's Head Basketball Coach; Success Coach, SEP; Senior Research Analyst; Transition Specialist, TRIO Education Opportunity Center; and Application Support Specialist

Mr. Stinnett moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented with the exception of the Transition Specialist, TRIO Education Opportunity Center position. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson presented the financial report for March 2023. (D.F. V—665)

Mr. Stinnett moved to approve the financial report for March 2023 as presented. Ms. Chavez seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. McKown presented a legislative update. (D.F. V—666)

Drs. McKown, Benson, and Hills led a discussion on the future of the Highlander Ranch. (D.F. V—667)

A vote will not be taken tonight. The discussion will be continued in June 2023.

Dr. McKown introduced the four various groups represented at the Board Meeting, and each leader gave a quick update on their area.

Under the President's Report, Dr. McKown reported:

- On Tuesday, April 11, 2023, the Board had a wonderful Board to Board meeting with Waco ISD, Midway ISD, and La Vega ISD.
- On Wednesday, April 19, Kim Patterson took the lead at Light the Night and it was a wonderful event.
- The Service Awards were held on Friday, April 21, 2023.
- 27th EMS graduation will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2023.
- Friday, May 5, 2023 will be the Physical Therapy Assistant Pinning Ceremony.
- Dr. McKown recently attended the Workforce Awards.
- Election Day is coming up on May 6, 2023.
- Dr. McKown and Dr. Hills will travel to the Czech Republic on Thursday, May 11, 2023.
- Commencement will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 and Dr. Lawrence Schovanec will be the speaker.
- We have been awarded the seconded Title V grant.
- Tomorrow Dr. McKown is going to Austin to meet with Presidents.
- We are hosting the Regional Softball tournament here on campus.

Under Other Business, the next regular Board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 23, 2023, with a reception honoring Pauline Chavez at 5:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Board took a break at 8:23 p.m.

Mr. Holt called the Closed Session to order at 8:32 p.m.

Mr. Holt adjourned the Closed Session at 9:08 p.m., stating that no action had taken place.

With no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Lindsey Vanek
Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees