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

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Mr. Jonathan Hill
Mr. K. Paul Holt
Dr. Dennis Clark
Dr. Elizabeth Palacios, Secretary
Mr. Earl Stinnett, Sr., Chairman
Mr. Ricky Turman, Vice-Chairman

Absent: Ilda Sabido

Mr. Stinnett, Chairman of the Board, called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Johnette McKown introduced the guests present at the Public Hearing.

Mr. Stinnett stated that the Public Hearing was scheduled to give the public an opportunity to address the Board regarding the proposed tax increase for 2026, and that the Board would wait to see if any citizens would show up to speak.

Mr. Stinnett announced that the meeting to vote on the proposed tax increase is scheduled for Tuesday, August 26, 2025, to directly follow this Public Hearing at the MCC Conference Center on the McLennan Community College Campus.

No one from the public came to the Public Hearing to speak.

Mr. Stinnett adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

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Absent: Ilda Sabido

Mr. Stinnett, Chairman of the Board, called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Dr. Johnette McKown introduced the guests present at the regular meeting.

Mr. Harmsen presented the budget information for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year for the Board to review and consider. (D.F. V—822)

Mr. Hill moved to adopt the budget for 2025-2026 Fiscal year in the amount of $74,978,008. Mr. Turman seconded the motion, and the motion carried as follows:

For:	Dennis Clark
	Jonathan Hill
	K. Paul Holt
	Elizabeth Palacios
	Earl Stinnett
	Ricky Turman
Abstain:	
Absent:	Ilda Sabido

Mr. Harmsen presented the Capital Improvement Fund Budget for 2025-2026 for Board approval. (D.F. V—823)

Mr. Holt moved to adopt the Capital Improvement Fund Budget for the 2025-2026 Fiscal year in the amount of $3,993,227. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and the motion carried as follows:

For:	Dennis Clark
	Jonathan Hill
	K. Paul Holt
	Elizabeth Palacios
	Earl Stinnett
	Ricky Turman
Abstain:	
Absent:	Ilda Sabido

Dr. McKown requested approval of the Order Adopting District Property Tax Rate. (D.F. V—824)

Mr. Turman moved that the property tax rate by the adoption of a tax rate of $ .13974 per $100. Dr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried as follows:

For:	Dennis Clark
	Jonathan Hill
	K. Paul Holt

Elizabeth Palacios
Earl Stinnett
Ricky Turman

Abstain:

Absent: Ilda Sabido

Dr. Wichman lead a discussion on the TASB Local Policies. (D.F. V—825)

Mr. Holt moved to rescind all Board approved policies. Dr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Turman moved to approve TASB Local Policies as revised by the College Administration. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. McKown presented the following Consent Agenda Items for Board approval (D.F. V—826):

1) Consideration of and Take Action on Minutes of the August 7, 2025 Board Meeting
2) Consideration of and Take Action on Category II Newly Tenured Faculty Contracts
3) Consideration of and Take Action on Category III Administrative and Non-Faculty Contracts
4) Consideration of and Take Action on Revisions to the Faculty Salary Schedule Policy (F-III-b, 5)
5) Consideration of and Take Action on Administrative and Professional Staff Salary Schedule Policy Revisions (F-IV-a)
6) Consideration of and Take Action on Support Staff Salary Schedule Policy Revisions (F-II-a, 2)
7) Consideration of and Take Action on Revisions to the Investment of College Funds Policy (D-IX)
8) Consideration of and Take Action on College Insurance Renewal
9) Consideration of and Take Action on Electrical and Plumbing Services
10) Consideration of and Take Action on Advertising Contract
11) Consideration of and Take Action on Agreement with MedHub
12) Consideration of and Take Action on Acceptance of Gift of a Start Clot Detection System from the MCC Foundation
13) Appointment of Personnel
    - Counselor, Counseling Center
    - Experiential Lab Specialist

Mr. Hill moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Dr. Clark seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Harmsen presented the financial report for July 2025. (D.F. V—827)

Mr. Turman moved to approve the financial report for July 2025 as presented. Dr. Clark seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Eggleston presented information on the Faculty Council Policy (BG(Local)). (D.F. V—828)

Professor Michaela McCown addressed the Board in regards to the Faculty Council Policy (BG(Local)).

Mr. Holt moved to approve the Faculty Council Policy (BG(Local)) as presented. Mr. Turman seconded the motion, and they motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Wichman presented information on the Board's Self-Evaluation instrument. (D.F. V—829)

Dr. Palacios moved to approve the Board's Self-Evaluation instrument and schedule as presented. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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:

- The Learning Commons will have the Welcome Fest on August 27, 2025.
- MAC's Block Party and Orange Out will be held on August 28, 2025.
- Thank MAC It's Friday will be held on August 29, 2025.
- Justice Kavanaugh will be here on September 11-12, 2025.
- CCATT will be September 11-13, 2025.
- On September 17, 2025, the 10th Court of Appeals will be on campus.
- Convocation is September 19, 2025.
- The Walk for the Homeless will be September 22, 2025.
- On October 3, 2025, the MCC Foundation will have its annual Golf Tournament.
- The Grand Opening of Cameron Hall in October 21, 2025.

Under Other Business, the next regular Board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 30, 2025 with dinner beginning at 5:15 p.m. followed by the meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the MCC Conference Center.

With no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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