

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

THE COUNTY OF McLENNAN

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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, August 29, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Those present were: Dr. Stephen Benson, Vice President, Finance and Administration; Ms. Celina Brown, Advisor, Student Development; Dr. Andrew Canham, Vice President, Student Success; Mr. Andrew Clayton, Vice President, Faculty Council; Mr. Phillip Erickson, *Waco Tribune-Herald*; Ms. Melody Flowers, President, Faculty Council; Ms. Glynnis Gaines, Dean, Health Professions; Dr. Frank Graves, Dean, Workforce and Public Service; Ms. Fay Gutierrez, Program Director, Alternative Teacher Certification; Dr. Adam Hutchison, Guest; Ms. Gail Illich, Professor, Mathematics; Dr. Paul Illich, Guest; Ms. Natalie James, Project Link Specialist; Mr. Phil McCleery, College Attorney; Dr. A. Marcus Nelson, Guest; Dr. Johnette McKown, President; Mr. Kelly Parker, Professor, Theatre; Ms. Kim Patterson, Executive Director, MCC Foundation; Mr. Matthew Polk, Guest; Mr. Larry Radke, Chief of Police; Dr. Phil Rhodes, Vice President, Research, Effectiveness, & Information Technology; Dr. Staci Taylor, Chair, Administrative Staff Advisory Committee; Ms. Jodi Tindell, Vice Chair, Administrative Staff Advisory Committee; Ms. Lisa Wilhelmi, Director, Marketing & Communications; Ms. Cloddy Williams, Chair, Support Staff Advisory Committee; and members of the Board of Trustees as follows:

Ms. Pauline Chavez
Mr. K. Paul Holt, Chairman
Mr. Doug McDurham, Secretary
Mr. Bob Sheehy, Jr.
Mr. Earl Stinnett, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ricky Turman

Absent: Ms. Geneva Watley

Mr. Holt, Chairman of the Board, called the regular meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

Mr. Holt introduced Dr. Paul Illich, President of Southeast Community College in Nebraska, who gave a presentation on his experiences as a college president.

Dr. Canham introduced Ms. Natalie James and Mr. Matthew Polk, who presented the Student Success Initiative on Project Link. (D.F. V—198)

Dr. McKown presented the following Consent Agenda Items for Board approval: 1) Consideration of and Approval of Minutes of August 1, 2017; August 14, 2017; and August 17, 2017; 2) Consideration of and Approval of Renewal of Tenured Faculty Contracts for the Year 2018-2019; 3) Consideration of and Approval of Revision to the Faculty Salary Schedule Policy, Administrative and Professional Staff Salary Schedule Policy, and Support Staff Salary Schedule; 4) Consideration of and Approval of Colleague Annual Maintenance Licensing Fee; 5) Consideration of and Approval of Trustee for Cooper Foundation; and 7) Personnel: Associate Director, Completion Center; Women's Golf Coach/Advisor; Dean, Arts and Sciences; Assistant Professor, Respiratory Care Technology (Tenure Eligible); and Program Director, Alternative Teacher Certification. (D.F. V—199)

Mr. Stinnett moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Mr. McDurham seconded the motion,

and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson presented the financial report for July 2017. (D.F. V—200)

Mr. Sheehy moved to approve the financial report for July 2017 as presented. Ms. Chavez seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. McKown requested approval of the following Order Adopting District Property Tax Rate: (D.F. V—201)

McLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ORDER FOR 2017 TAX LEVY

It is ordered that the tax rate for the McLennan County Junior College District for the calendar year 2017, for the ensuing school year, be set at \$0.150346 per \$100 taxable value; and that tax for said calendar year 2017 for said ensuing school year, be, and it is hereby levied at said rate of \$0.150346 per taxable McLennan County valuation on taxable property in said district, \$0.035305 of such rate to be levied for debt service and \$0.115041 of such rate to be levied for maintenance and operation.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 6.75 PERCENT AND WILL INCREASE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$2.94.

It is resolved that an exemption from District taxes be allowed on the 2017 tax roll for all residential homesteads for which a valid residential homestead exemption application has been timely filed with the McLennan County Appraisal District, said exemption being for taxes applicable to the first twenty per cent (20%) of the appraised market value of such residential homesteads, or to the first \$5,000 of appraised market value of such residential homesteads, whichever is greater.

Be it further resolved that \$12,000 of the assessed value of residential homesteads of persons 65 years of age or older be exempt, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 1-b of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Be it further resolved that \$12,000 of the assessed value of residential homesteads of individuals who are disabled be exempt from taxation, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 1-b of the Texas Constitution and Section 11.13 of the Property Tax Code. An individual who is eligible for both the 65 years of age or older exemption and the disabled person exemption shall be entitled to only one of these exemptions, and may choose either.

Be it further resolved that the McLennan County Junior College District hereby prescribes that Property Tax Code provisions implementing the tax relief amendment to the Texas Constitution concerning the appraisal of Agricultural and Timber Lands, shall be implemented and effective in the 2017 tax year as prescribed in the above cited statutes.

Be it further resolved that said tax be assessed and collected by the Tax Assessor-Collector of McLennan County, Texas, as provided by law.

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I, the undersigned President of McLennan County Junior College District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Order for 2017 Tax Levy for said District, and the assessing and collecting thereof, duly passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of said District on the 29th day of August, 2017, and, which resolution and order is recorded in the minutes of said Board.

WITNESS, my official signature and seal of said District, this 29th day of August, 2017.

Johnette McKown
President

Mr. Turman moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.150346, which is effectively a 5.03% increase in the tax rate. Mr. McDurham seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

- The Fall Semester began yesterday, Monday, August 28, 2017.
- U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas will be on campus September 6-7, 2017. He will speak at a student event and a community event while he is here.
- In light of the recent hurricane that hit the Texas coast, our college is ready to accept people in our area who can't go to school due to the damage done by the hurricane.
- Dr. McKown will be leaving for vacation tomorrow, Wednesday, August 30, 2017.
- The MCC Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 10, 2017, at Cameron Park Zoo.
- The Walk for the Homeless will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017.
- Dr. McKown will travel to El Campo to participate in a panel for leadership for Wharton County Junior College on Thursday, September 21, 2017.
- Dr. McKown will travel to College Station to attend the Texas A&M vs. Louisiana Lafayette football game on Saturday, September 16, 2017.
- Dr. McKown, along with the Board, will travel to Las Vegas, Nevada, to attend the Association of Community College Trustee's Annual Congress, on Sunday, September 23, 2017.
- The MCC Foundation will hold its annual golf tournament on Friday, October 6, 2017.

Under Other Business, the next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 3, 2017.

The Board did not meet in closed session.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Lindsey Vanek, Assistant Secretary
Board of Trustees

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Mr. Holt, Chairman of the Board, called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. McKown introduced the guests.

The Board recognized Andi Ramon (outgoing President of Faculty Council), Staci Taylor (outgoing Chair of the Administrative Staff Advisory Committee), and Cloddy Williams (outgoing Chair of the Support Staff Advisory Committee). The Board also recognized Fay Gutierrez, who is retiring from the college after 42 years.

Mr. Holt stated the purpose of the special meeting was to consider the adoption of the Budget for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year. Dr. Benson presented the budget information for the Board to review and consider. (D.F. V—196)

Mr. McDurham moved to adopt the budget for 2017-2018 in the amount of \$54,857,535. Ms. Chavez seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson presented the Capital Improvement Fund Budget for 2017-2018 for Board approval. (D.F. V—197)

Mr. Sheehy moved to adopt the Capital Improvement Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,871,120 for 2017-2018 as presented. Mr. Stinnett seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

With no further business, Mr. Holt adjourned the special meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Lindsey Vanek
Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees