

**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 MCC Conference Center on the McLennan Community College Campus on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Those regular attending people who were present at the Board Meeting were: Dr. Amy Antoninka, Vice President, Faculty Council; Mr. Edgar Barragan, Media Technology Specialist, Information Systems & Services; Dr. Stephen Benson, Vice President, Finance and Administration; Dr. Londa Carriveau, Director, Educational Partnerships; Dr. Christi Esquivel, Division Chair, Business Programs; Dr. Fred Hills, Vice President, Instruction & Student Engagement; Mr. Carl Hoover, Waco Trib; Ms. Allyson Huntley, Lead Advising Specialist, Advising and Career Services; Miss Kodi Jones, Student Liaison; Ms. Michaela McCown, President, Faculty Council; Dr. Johnette McKown, President; Ms. Sipriana Molina, Vice-Chair, Support Staff Advisory Committee; Mr. Peter Rusek, College Attorney; Dr. Laura Wichman, Chief Research & Effectiveness Officer; Mr. Clayton Williams, Chief, Campus Police; and members of the Board of Trustees as follows:

Mr. Jonathan Hill  
Mr. K. Paul Holt  
Dr. Elizabeth Palacios, Secretary  
Mr. Earl Stinnett, Sr., Chairman  
Ms. Ilda Sabido

Absent: Mr. Ricky Turman, Vice-Chair

Mr. Stinnett, Chairman of the Board, called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

Dr. McKown and Dr. Fred Hills, along with Dr. Londa Carriveau and Dr. Laura Wichman, made a presentation on FAST Implementation and Dual Credit. (D.F. V—706)

Dr. McKown and Dr. Wichman gave the Board an update on the annual priorities. (D.F. V—707)

Mr. K. Paul Holt asked to pull the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- 1) Consideration of and Approval of Revisions to the Tuition and Fees Policy (Policy D-XI-b)
- 2) Consideration of and Approval of Facilities Master Plan Update
- 3) Consideration of and Approval of Ball Performing Arts Center Full Stage Shell Consisting of Sound Clouds, Orchestra Tower Shell, and Lighting

Dr. McKown presented the following Consent Agenda Items for Board approval (D.F. V—708):

- 1) Consideration of and Approval of Minutes of the December 6, 2023 Board Meeting
- 2) Consideration of and Approval of Quarterly CIF Report
- 3) Consideration of and Approval of CIF Reserve Report
- 4) Consideration of and Approval of Quarterly Investment Report
- 5) Consideration of and Approval of New Degrees
- 6) Consideration of and Approval of Revisions to the Sabbatical Leave Policy (Policy F-I-d, 1)
- 7) Consideration of and Approval of Cybersecurity Services from Conducive
- 8) Consideration of and Approval of Ellucian Staff Augmentation Contract
- 9) Appointment of Personnel
  - Assistant Professor, Music (Tenure Eligible) (Two Positions)
  - Scheduling Specialist

Dr. Palacios moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented, with the exception of the three agenda items pulled off by Mr. Holt. Mr. Holt seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. McKown and Dr. Hills presented information on revisions to the Tuition and Fees Policy (Policy D-XI-b). (D.F. V—709)

Mr. Holt moved to approve the revisions to the Tuition and Fees Policy (Policy D-XI-b). Mr. Hill seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson gave an update to the Facilities Master Plan. (D.F. V—710)

Mr. Holt moved to approve the updated Facilities Master Plan as presented. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson presented information on the Ball Performing Arts Center full stage shell consisting of Sound Clouds, Orchestra Tower Shell, and Lighting. (D.F. V—711)

Ms. Sabido moved to approve the Ball Performing Arts Center full stage shell construction project be awarded to Wegner in the amount of \$187,123.03. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Benson presented the financial reports for November and December 2023. (D.F. V—712) & (D.F. V—713)

Mr. Hill moved to approve the financial report for November 2023 as presented. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Holt moved to approve the financial report for December 2023 as presented. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Dr. McKown and Dr. Benson shared information about a request from a citizen to consider waiving tuition for senior citizens. (D.F. V—714)

Dr. McKown and Mr. Earl Stinnett presented information about the interview process, candidates to interview, and time and date to conduct interviews for vacancy of district seven trustee position. (D.F. V—715)

Mr. Holt moved to conduct interviews on Monday, February 12, 2024, beginning at with dinner at 4:45 p.m., a Board Meeting at 5:15 p.m., and the first interview at 5:30 p.m. with each interview lasting 20 minutes each. The Board will interview all eight applicants. Dr. Palacios seconded the motion, and it 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 ACCT National Legislative Summit is coming up next week. Liz (Palacios), Ricky (Turman), Ilda (Sabido), and Jonathan (Hill) will be attending with Dr. McKown.
- Dr. McKown will participate in the HEB Celebrity Cookoff on Friday, February 9, 2024.
- The Board will interview candidates for District Seven on Monday, February 12, 2024.
- The Leadership Team will be having a retreat with Dr. Martha Ellis on February 21-22, 2024.
- The MCC Foundation Gala is Thursday, February 22, 2024.
- Dr. Brenda Hellyer is coming to campus, along with four other presidents to speak to the President's Leadership Academy and Leadership Council on Friday, February 23, 2024.
- Spring Break is March 4-8, 2024.
- The Board will have a retreat on Saturday, April 6, 2024.
- Due to the Solar Eclipse on Monday, April 8, 2024, the campus will be working remotely that day.
- Dr. McKown signed an Inclusive Access petition for the College with McGraw Hill recently.

Under Other Business, the Board will interview candidates for District Seven Board of Trustees position on Monday, February 12, 2024. Dinner will begin at 4:45 p.m., followed by a Board Meeting at 5:15 p.m., and then followed by the interviews of candidates to begin at 5:30 p.m. at Northwood. The next regular Board meeting will be held Tuesday, February 27, 2024, with dinner beginning at 5:15 p.m. followed by the meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Conference Center.

The Board took a break at 8:08 p.m.

Mr. Stinnett called the Closed Session to order at 8:16 p.m.

Mr. Stinnett adjourned the Closed Session at 9:06 p.m., stating that no action had taken place.

With no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

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Lindsey Vanek  
Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees