# RANGER COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING July 26, 2021-6 pm - Goleman Library Board Room

#### **Members Present**

Jackie Stephens, Chairman
Jo Ann Greenwood, Vice Chairman
Della Carey
Bobby Murry
Ron Butler
Doug Crawley

### **Ranger CEO and Staff Present**

Dr. William Campion

Ms. Lindy Matthews

Mr. Stan Feaster

Mr. Derrick Worrels

Ms. Gaylyn Mendoza

Mr. Tommy Wells

Ms. Stephanie Worrels

Mr. Jim Tunnel

Mr. Ahmy Arca

Mr. Luis Ramirez

Dr. Matt Underwood

#### Agenda Item #1- Call Meeting to Order

Regent Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Agenda Item #2- Prayer

Dr. Campion voiced the prayer.

#### Agenda Item #3- Pledge of Allegiance

Regent Stephens led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Agenda Item #4- Meet Superintendent Dr. Matt Underwood, Superstar and Great Friend to Ranger College

Matt Underwood introduced himself to the Board of Regents. He is excited to join the Ranger College team. He recently turned 50. He grew up in Brady, TX. Both of his parents were teachers. He went to Texas State University. His first teaching job was at a small-town, Boerne, near San Antonio. He became an Assistant Principal at the age of 25. He was not ready to get out of the classroom or off the field, but he could not turn down the job. He was motivated by his parents to become a great administrator for the teachers that he serves. He has an extensive career in secondary education. He has three children a senior, freshman, and a first grader. He loves the mission of Ranger College and is ready to

take the leap into higher education.

Dr. Campion expressed his appreciation for Matt Underwood. "He is a quality guy through and through." Dr. Campion mentioned that Matt Underwood was a friend to Ranger College during the referendum. He was able to get 56% approval on his referendum. Matt Underwood stated that he has worked with 3 different community colleges in his tenure and Ranger College has been the easiest to work with.

Matt thanked the board for their time and the opportunity.

### Agenda Item #5- Consider and Approve Minutes of May 25, 2021, Meeting (Previously Sent)

Regent Herod made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021, meeting. The motion carried.

#### Agenda Item # 6- Consider and Approve May and June 2021 Financial Statements

Ms. Mendoza discussed and answered any questions regarding the May and June financial statements. Bobby Murry asked a question about the telephone and internet bill that is being overpaid. Ms. Mendoza stated that is because we are trying to get away from utilizing Centurylink and to do that we have to completely switch over our phone services. We will have another loss when we sell the Victor Cornelius building.

Dr. Campion introduced Jim Tunnell the new IT Consultant. He will be addressing issues such as the phone service bills. Mr. Crawley asked a question regarding the bookstore. Ms. Mendoza explained that the bookstore is based on a percentage. We have budgeted less because we have moved toward digital products. Mr. Crawley asked what the appropriations would look like after legislation, there is not a set amount yet. She will confirm once she has the information. Mr. Murry asked about printers. Ms. Mendoza explained that we are trying to convert everything to Benchmark; they have been able to get us a better rate and they service the product quicker. Mr. Murry asked if we have considered a new accounting package. Ms. Mendoza explained that we are starting to look at demos for another package, but we need to contact their competitors. The price will be a little different now because everything is cloud based. The conversion from one to the next will have some one-time fees but once you are on the new system it is an annual subscription.

Regent Murry made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to approve the May and June 2021 financial statements. The motion carried.

## Agenda Item #7- Consider and Approve Annual Review of Investment Policy and Strategies

Ms. Mendoza discussed and answered any questions regarding the annual review of investment policy and strategies. Ms. Mendoza aligned our policy with the TASB policies. They were very similar but had minor differences. Mr. Crawley asked if the same requirements were for the foundation, Ms. Mendoza stated that the foundation can set their own policies.

Regent Greenwood made and Regent Herod seconded a motion to approve the annual review of investment policy and strategies. The motion carried.

Agenda Item #8- Consider and Approve Resolution to Designate Investment Officer Ms. Mendoza stated that we need to designate an investment Officer. Ms. Mendoza will be the Investment Officer.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve resolution to designate an Investment Officer. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item # 9- Consider and Approve Mandatory Student Accident Policy and Secondary Athletic Insurance Policies for 2021-2022 Academic Year

Ms. Mendoza discussed and answered any questions regarding the mandatory student accident policy and secondary athletic insurance policies for 2021-2022 academic year. We have an insurance agent that we work with, and he goes out and gets quotes. Ms. Mendoza discussed our claims over the recent years. From year to year the number of claims has gone down. We now require students to have their own insurance, and ours serves as a secondary policy. Our premium has decreased on the athletic insurance premium. Dr. Campion stated his concern that we have never had 100% of students without a primary insurance coverage. The Athletic Trainers have helped the situation. Regent Herod made and Regent Carey seconded a motion to approve the mandatory student accident policy and secondary athletic insurance policies for 2021-2022 academic year. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #10- Consider and Approve Snow Garrett Williams as the Independent Auditors for FY 2022

Ms. Mendoza recommended Snow Garrett Williams as the Independent Auditors for FY 2022. There is nothing in our policy that states that we must go for RFPs, it is up to the Boards discretion. Since we are a low risk, our rates should be discounted. They did not quote a price. Ms. Mendoza will reach out to get an estimate. The rate depends on if we are a state single audit. They will not give a rate until they have the details about factors such as the state single audit. Ms. Mendoza believes that the rate should decrease. Dr. Campion states that there is another side to that coin. You must compare against area audit firms. If you are going to get serious you must provide past audits.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve Snow Garrett Williams as the independent auditors for FY 2022. The motion carried.

#### Agenda Item #11- Consider and Approve Personnel Issues

Dr. Campion discussed the personnel issues. Kathleen Graham was omitted from the athletic renewals needing approval.

Regent Herod made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to approve the personnel issues minus Kathy Graham. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #12- Consider and Receive Information on Financial Condition Analysis Report from THECB

Ms. Mendoza discussed the Financial Condition Analysis Report from THECB. RC had a net loss. Ms. Mendoza had to write an explanation of the net loss. We had finished our buildings and moved into them then Covid -19 hit. We had a decrease in investment

income, increase in interest expense. When Covid hit our CDC was closed, enrollment decreased, allowance for bad debt increased, and we sold the building for a loss. These were all factors of our ratios being out of whack. The recent federal grants have allowed us to recoup some of our losses. Mr. Crawley asked if we have received any other confirmation from THECB. Dr. Campion stated that we had not. Ms. Mendoza said that questioning is great to help alleviate this. Mr. Stephens asked about how free community college would affect RC. There really isn't a set answer. We would have to determine the answer depending on how they write the policy.

### Agenda Item #13- Consider and Approve Upgraded Purchasing/Vendor Requirements to become part of our TASB Local Policy

Dr. Campion discussed that this arose after a discussion with the college attorney. We want to ensure that everyone has an equal chance to bid on a job.

Regent Murry and Regent Herod seconded a motion to approve the upgraded purchasing/vendor requirements to become part of our policies. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #14- Consider and Approve Recommendation of the Policies and Procedures Committee Regarding Investment Policy

Ms. Matthews discussed the investment policy change.

Regent Murry made and Regent Crawley seconded a motion to approve the investment policy change. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #15- Consider and Approve Recommendation of the Policies and Procedures Committee Regarding the Financial Aid Policies and Procedures Manual

Ms. Matthews discussed the change to the financial aid policies and procedures manual. Regent Carey made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to approve the recommendation from the policies and procedures committee regarding the financial aid policies and procedures manual. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #16- Consider and Approve Recommendations from the Tuition and Fees Committee Regarding an Additional LVN Fee

Ms. Mendoza discussed the additional LVN fees and answered any questions. This will take effect Fall 2021.

Regent Greenwood made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve the recommendation of the tuition and fees committee regarding additional LVN fees. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #17- Receive Title IX Quarterly Report

Ms. Matthews presented the Title IX quarterly report.

### Agenda Item #18- Consider and Approve Revised Academic Calendar for the 2021-2022 Year

Ms. Prochaska discussed the revised academic calendar for the 2021-2022 year. We have made an adjustment to accommodate the Augustmester.

Regent Herod made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to approve the revised academic calendar for the 2021-2022 year. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #19- Consider and Approve Certain Administration Changes

This item was covered under item #22.

### Agenda Item #20- Announcements

Graduation is August 5, 2021, at 6 p.m. in the auditorium. Ms. Guillen will be giving the speech.

#### Agenda Item #21- Executive Session

The Board went into closed session at 7:12 and returned to open session at 8:11

### Agenda Item #22- Consider and Approve Necessary Leadership Changes

Mr. Worrels will be named the Provisional President of Ranger College while the Board of Regents conduct a Presidential Search. Dr. Campion will remain the President and CEO during this time. The Board approved Regent Murry as the Chair of the Presidential Search Committee and authorized Human Resources to assist with moving forward with the process.

Regent Herod made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve necessary leadership changes and Presidential Search. The motion carried.

### Agenda Item #23- Date of Next Meeting

August 2, 2021, possibly August 9, 2021

Ms. Mendoza discussed that by law we need to present the rate calculation on the website on August 7, 2021, or as close to August 7, 2021, as possible but the state has not updated their form. The information is ready, and the form should be ready this week.

#### Agenda Item #24- Adjourn

Regent Herod made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried.