# RANGER COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING MINUTES January 27, 2025- 6:00 p.m. Goleman Library Board Room

#### **Members Present**

Bobby Murry
Doug Crawley
JoAnne Greenwood
Sandi Herod
Jackie Stephens, Chairman
Gay Anne Walford
Della Carey
Shawn Wells

#### **CEO/Staff Present**

Derrick Worrels, President
Dr. Lindy Matthews
Patti Woolam
Stan Feaster
Robert Culverhouse
Don Hilton
Ahmy Arca
Dixon Bailey
Gaylyn Mendoza
Dr. Sandra Lee
Stephanie Worrels
Amy Spindle
Gabe Lewis
Debbie Karl

#### Guest

Reba Long John Kimmel

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

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

# Agenda Item #2- Invocation

President Worrels voiced the invocation.

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### Agenda Item #3- Pledge of Allegiance

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

# Agenda Item #4- Public Comment for Individuals Not on the Agenda

Mr. Kimmel addressed a land dispute concerning property at the northwest corner of 16 and 20, where he has family members buried. He had previously contacted Mr. Warford without receiving a response. He presented a lease agreement indicating the property was to be left to him upon Mr. Walker's death. He expressed a desire to resolve the issue amicably, avoiding legal action. He left a copy of the lease agreement for review.

The board will review the lease agreement and further discuss the matter at a later date. No immediate action was taken.

## Agenda Item #5- President's Report

- 1. The college closed on the property in Comanche last week. First order of business was the acquisition of it before we could determine the future plans of the property.
- 2. The college has another historical enrollment. We are at 2482 which is a 4.7% increase. We fought through J1. Robert Culverhouse may have had some hair but I am not sure if he will have any left after this. When we had days off for bad weather, the bulk of the staff in this room were working.
- 3. We have a few more transactions going on with the property before he has Tommy Warford come over to debrief.
- 4. The chamber is trying to counter sue Mr. Reeves. That has not taken place yet. They are trying to switch attorneys.

# Agenda Item #6- Consider and Approve the Appointment of a Board Member, Place 2 (Worrels)

President Worrels mentioned that we would like to fulfill Mr. Butler's unexpired time with Ms. Gay Anne Walford.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Wells seconded a motion to appoint GayAnne Warford as a Ranger College Regent. The motion was carried unanimously.

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#### Agenda Item #7- Consider and Approve the FY 2024 Audit from Snow Garrett Williams

Reba Long who is a Senior Manager with Snow. Garrett Williams walked the Board through a couple of the high points. She started with the opinion letter, which states we've audited the accompanying financial statements of Ranger College District as of and for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023. She discussed the college's financial statements, including assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenses. Significant decrease in current liabilities attributed to timing of invoices and decreased unearned revenue (grant money). Total non-current liabilities decreased by \$775,000. Operating revenues increased slightly (\$33,000), despite increased tuition and fees offset by reduced state grants. Operating expenses increased by \$2 million due to increased enrollment, scholarships, staff/instruction costs, the Jenzabar project, and energy conservation project. Net non-operating revenues increased significantly due to increased state appropriations. The special item of \$41.5 million is related to a land donation. Net income was approximately \$43.6 million, with \$41.5 million attributable to the land donation. Excluding the land donation, net income was approximately \$2 million. The financial statements presented an unmodified audit opinion for fiscal year 2024 and there were no material weaknesses, significant deficiencies in internal control, or non-compliance issues were identified. The Federal and State single audit revealed no findings or noncompliance.

Regent Murry made and Regent Crawley seconded a motion to approve the FY 2024 audit from Snow Garrett Williams. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #8- Receive the Title IX Quarterly Report (Woolam)

Ms. Woolam reported that there were no incidents.

#### Agenda Item #9- Consider and Approve Personnel Issues (Spindle)

Ms. Spindle reviewed personnel changes: seven additions and three separations. Details on each new hire were provided, including their position, qualifications, and location. The system for monitoring online instructors was discussed, highlighting quarterly evaluations, monthly check-ins, and student evaluations.

Regent Herod made and Regent Wells seconded a motion to approve personnel issues. The motion was carried unanimously.

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#### Agenda Item #10- Review and Discuss the President and Board Self-Evaluations

The Board reviewed and discussed the evaluations.

# Agenda Item #11- Consider and Approve the Minutes of the November 18, 2024 Board Meeting

Regent Carey made and Regent Herod seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2024 Board meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

## Agenda Item #12- Announcements:

#### a. Upcoming Events

- i. Tomorrow we have a softball double header. Wednesday
- ii. Homecoming: February 16, 2025 through February 22, 2025

# b. The date of the Next Board Meeting is February, 24, 2025

Regent Crawley made and Regent Wells seconded a motion to enter executive session. The motion was carried unanimously. The board entered executive session at 6:30 pm.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Herod seconded a motion to re-enter open session. The Board re-entered the open session at 6:55 PM.

#### Agenda Item #12- Adjourn

Regent Herod made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting ended at 6:56 PM.

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