

MINUTES

Regular Meeting BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Vernon College
October 9, 2019

The Board of Trustees of Vernon College met on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 11:30 p.m. in the *Board Room* of the *Osborne Administration Building*, Vernon, Texas with the following present: Dr. Todd Smith, Chairman; and Mr. Norman Brints, Vice-Chairman. Other board members in attendance were Mr. Bob Ferguson, Mr. Irl Holt, Mrs. Anne Spears and Mrs. Ann Wilson. Absent was Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary.

Others present were Dr. Dusty Johnston, President; Dr. Elizabeth Crandall, Vice President of Instruction; Mrs. Betsy Harkey, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; Ms. Michelle A. Alexander, Director of Institutional Advancement/Executive Director, Vernon College Foundation; Mrs. Shana Drury, Dean of Instructional Services; Mrs. Kristin Harris, Dean of Student Services/Director of Counseling; Mrs. Ivy Harris, ERP/SIS Director/Electronic Information Accessibility Coordinator; Mr. Kevin Holland, Director of Campus Police; Mrs. Melissa Elliott, Director of Financial Aid; Mrs. Amanda Raines, Director of Enrollment Management/Registrar; Mrs. Holly Scheller, Coordinator of Marketing and Community Relations; Mrs. Mindi Flynn, Business Office Manager; and Ms. Mary King, Administrative Secretary to the President. Guests present were Mr. Daniel Walker of the *Vernon Daily Record* and Mr. Chris Lehman of *Malone Law Firm*.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to approve the Consent Agenda containing the *Minutes of the September 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting* and the *President's Monthly Travel Expense Report*. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item A

Mrs. Mindi Flynn presented the *Financial and Investment Reports as of September 30, 2019*. Mrs. Spears made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item B

Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to approve the *Philosophy, Vision, Values, Mission, and 2020-2024 Long Term Objectives for Vernon College* as presented by Mrs. Harkey. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item C

Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Brints to approve the *Tax Resale Deeds* as listed on the agenda and presented by Dr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item D

Consideration of *Legal Action Against Unit 4 Student Information System Company*

Closed Session: Mrs. Wilson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Spears to go into closed session at 11:44 a.m. in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Subchapter 551.074, to discuss personnel or other items under this section of the Texas Government Code, Texas Open Meetings Act. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Session: Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Spears, to reconvene at 12:10 p.m. in open session. The motion carried unanimously.

Action -

Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to retain Malone Law Firm to pursue legal action against *Unit4 for nonperformance* to recoup all funds expended with the company. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – No one was present to make comments.

President's Report/Board Discussion Items- No items to discuss.

Student success Data Fact – Mrs. Harkey presented the following as this month's Student Success Data Fact:

- Vernon College Effectiveness Questionnaire
- 2019 Vernon College Fall and Fall-1 Count Day Snapshot
- 2019-2020 Vernon College Assessment Activity-Report Calendar

Cyber-Security update – Mrs. Harris gave an update on the Cyber-Security for Vernon College for the 2018-19 academic year. She reported all employees completed the required Cybersecurity training and are 100% compliant. She noted that all students received two Cybersecurity awareness emails. She also mentioned that there were three cybersecurity incidents reported, investigated, and mitigated.

Electronic Information Accessibility update – Mrs. Harris gave an update about the Colleges Electronic Information Accessibility work with information on training and collaboration. She stated three online courses (history, biology, and the instructor training course) have been selected to be evaluated for accessibility and compliance.

Report on Vernon College NIRA Rodeo – Dr. Johnston reported that the Rodeo hosted by Vernon College on October 3-5 was a big success. Marty Eakin, Head Coach, Assistant Coach Henry Zarate, and the students deserve a pat on the back for doing such a good job on the production of the Rodeo.

Dr. Johnston presented the Upcoming College Events:

- (1) Vernon College Foundation Annual Board Meeting, Wichita Falls – October 17, 2019
- (2) Vernon College Preview Day, High school students on the Vernon campus – Wednesday, October 30, 2019
- (3) College for Heroes/Walk for Warriors, CCC – November 7, 2019
- (4) Vernon College Regular Board Meeting, Vernon Campus – November 13, 2019

Dr. Johnston presented the Philanthropic Report/Outside Grants Report.

Dr. Johnston presented minutes from the Faculty Senate meeting.

Mr. Brints made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to approve the personnel changes as recommended by Dr. Johnston and detailed on item 6 B Personnel Information Sheet. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Employment

1. Sonya Roberts, LVN Instructor, effective September 16, 2019 with a salary of \$49,871.
2. Robyn Hill, Health Occupations Instructor – Holliday, effective September 24, 2019 with a salary of \$20,779.
3. Christopher Amador, Custodial Technician – Vernon, effective October 1, 2019 with a salary of \$24,788.

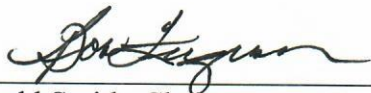
B. Re-Appointment

1. Michelle Barberee, Head Volleyball Coach – 2019-2020 – Annual contract effective January 1 of each year.

C. Retirement

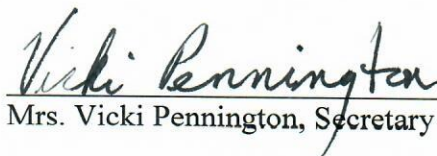
1. Patti Jouett, Administrative Assistant/Library Technology – Library Services – Vernon, effective December 31, 2019.

There being no further business Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m.



Dr. Todd Smith, Chairman

Bob Ferguson, Acting Chairman



Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary