

MINUTES

Regular Meeting BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Vernon College
January 10, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Vernon College met on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. in the *Board Room* of the *Osborne Administration Building*, Vernon, Texas with the following present: Mr. Norman Brints, Vice-Chairman, and Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary. Other board members in attendance were Mr. Bob Ferguson, Mr. Irl Holt, Mrs. Anne Spears, and Mrs. Joanie Rogers. Absent was Dr. Todd Smith, Chairman.

Others present were Dr. Dusty R. Johnston, President, and Dean Garry David. Also, present were Mrs. Betsy Harkey, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; Mr. Kevin Holland, Director of Campus Police; Mrs. Mindi Flynn, General Ledger Accountant; and Ms. Mary King, Administrative Secretary to the President. Guest present was Mr. Payton McCormick of the *Vernon Daily Record*.

Vice-Chairman Mr. Brints called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Spears to approve the Consent Agenda containing the *Minutes of the December 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting* and the *President's Monthly Travel Expense Report*. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item A

Dean David presented the *Financial and Investment Reports as of December 31, 2017*. Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Rogers, to approve the report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item B

Mrs. Spears made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to approve the *Purchase of the Bi-Fork Baptist Association Building and Property at 4220 Augusta Street* in Vernon, Texas at the price of \$48,700. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item C

Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Pennington to approve the *Vernon College 2018-2022 Facilities Master Plan* as presented by Dr. Johnston and Dean David. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – No one was present to make comments.

President's Report/Board Discussion Items

Item A – Board input/discussion – No input to discuss

Item B – All employee professional development – Dr. Johnston reported all went well and he received a lot of positive feedback on the breakout sessions. As a reminder, Dr. Donnie Kirk took over the role of professional development in addition to his QEP duties. He had a big input in the agenda and breakout sessions.

Item C – 2018-2019 Tuition/Fee increase proposal – Dr. Johnston noted that the college is not planning any significant Tuition/Fee increase for 2018/19. The college has kept a modest increase of 3 to 6% the last four to five years depending on the location and based on our audit, current enrollment, and our current tuition and fee revenue. More information will be sent to the Board prior to the February meeting.

Item D – 2017 IT Management Review – Dr. Johnston presented the IT management review. This is done annually to make sure we do an assessment of all that is being done in technology. The service provided to us by Run Business Solutions from January 2017 to December 2017 continues to be positive.

Item E – Student Success Data Fact – Ms. Betsy Harkey presented the Student Success Data Fact on Graduation, Persistence and Retention Rate.

Dr. Johnston presented the Reminder of Upcoming Events:

- (1) Dr. John Hardt, SACSCOC Vice-President on-site visit – Wednesday, January 24, 2018
- (2) FAITH Meal hosted by Vernon College – Boys & Girls Club – Thursday, January 25, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.
- (3) February Board of Trustees meeting – Wednesday, February 14, 2018
- (4) TCCTA Conference – Dallas, TX – March 1-3, 2018
- (5) Vernon College Foundation On-line Auction – March 6-8, 2018

Item G – Athletic Events update – Dr. Johnston reported that Baseball and Softball are practicing for their seasons and the coaches report things are looking good.

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

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

1. Revision

1. Kevin Holland *to* Director of Campus Police – 345 points *from* Director of Campus Police – 325 points, effective February 1, 2018 with a salary of \$41,658.

2. Resignation

1. Daniel Brown, Campus Police Officer, effective January 12, 2018

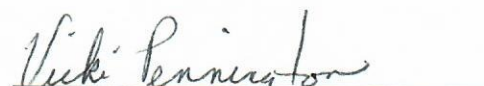
Closed Session: Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to go into closed session at 12:13 p.m. in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Subchapter 551.074, to discuss personnel or other items under this section of the Texas Government Code, Texas Open Meetings Act. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Session: Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Pennington, to reconvene at 12:58 p.m. in open session. The motion carried unanimously.

No Action

There being no further business Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Rogers to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.


Mr. Norman Brints, Vice-Chairman


Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary