

# MINUTES

Regular Meeting

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Vernon College

September 16, 2015

The Board of Trustees of Vernon College met on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. in the *Board Room* of the *Osborne Administration Building*, Vernon, Texas with the following present: Dr. Todd Smith, Chairman, Mr. Norman Brints, Vice-Chairman, and Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary. Other board members in attendance were Mr. Bob Ferguson, Mrs. Joanie Rogers, Mr. Irl Holt and Mrs. Anne Spears.

Others present were Dr. Dusty R. Johnston, President, Deans Garry David, Joe Hite, and John Hardin, III. Also present were Ms. Michelle A. Alexander, Director of Institutional Advancement/Executive Director, Vernon College Foundation; Mr. Chris Bell, Director of Campus Police; Mrs. Mindi Flynn, General Ledger Accountant; Mrs. Betsy Harkey, Director of Institutional Effectiveness; Ms. Criquett Lehman, Director of Quality Enhancement; and Ms. Mary King, Administrative Secretary to the President. Guest present was Mr. Payton McCormick from *The Vernon Daily Record*.

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

## Consent Agenda

Mrs. Pennington made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to approve the Consent Agenda containing the *Minutes of the August 19, 2015 Regular Board Meeting* and the *President's Monthly Travel Expense Report*. The motion carried unanimously.

## Action Item A

Dean Garry David presented the *Financial and Investment Reports as of August 31, 2015*. Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to approve the report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## Action Item B

Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Brints to approve *a resolution to set the 2015 Vernon College Tax Rate at .2200/\$100 of appraised property value, and for the Chairperson to read the resolution aloud to the public*. The motion carried unanimously.

## Action Item C

Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Spears to accept the *Resale Bids and Quitclaim Deeds* for properties held in trust by the taxing entities located at 1411 Eagle and 2400 Maiden at the bid amount of \$700. The motion carried unanimously.

## Action Item D

Mr. Brints made the motion, seconded by Mr. Holt to approve the annual *2015-2016 Wilbarger County Tax Collections for Vernon College* as presented by Dr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – No one was present to make comments.

President's Report/Board Discussion Items –

Fall 2015 Enrollment Update – Dean Hite presented the 2015 Enrollment Report and Comparison Report for Fall & Fall I. The current headcount is 2,895, a decrease of 3.27% compared to last year. Total contact hours are 544,890; down 3.71% from last year.

Health Care Clinic Annual Report – Dean Hardin presented the annual Health Care Clinic Report. From September 2014 through August 2015, the Clinic had 198 visits.

Student Success Data Fact – Betsy Harkey presented the Student Success Data Fact: Service Area High School Graduates Who Go to College and Chose Vernon College. The Key Performance Indicator of Accountability (KPIA) benchmark is at or above 33%. This is the number of twelve county high school graduates who attended college that chose Vernon College.

Dr. Johnston presented the Upcoming College Events:

- (1) THECB Formula Funding committee meeting – Austin, TX – October 8, 2015
- (2) Vernon College Foundation Annual Board Meeting, Vernon Campus – October 15, 2015
- (3) VC Sports Day, Vernon Campus – October 15, 2015
- (4) Vernon College Regular Board Meeting, Vernon Campus – October 21, 2015
- (5) 2015 Texas Higher Education Leadership Conference – Austin – November 19-20, 2015
- (6) Fall 2015 Sports Schedules (Rodeo, Baseball, Volleyball & Softball) – Exhibits

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

Personnel –

Mr. Holt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Rogers to approve the following personnel actions. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Employment

- (1) Mary Jane Callaway, Health Careers Instructor – Quanah (50%), effective August 24, 2015 with an annual salary of \$19,289.

B. Resignation

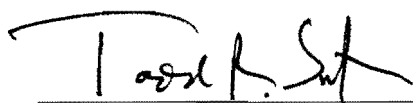
- (1) Mary Ann Noah, Financial Aid Clerk – Vernon, effective October 6, 2015

Closed Session: Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Rogers to go into closed session at 12:12 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.

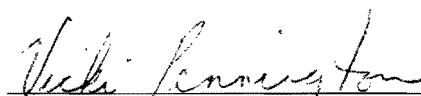
Open Session: Mr. Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Pennington to reconvene at 12:42 p.m. in open session. The motion carried unanimously.

Action – None

There being no further business Dr. Smith adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.



Dr. Todd Smith, Chairman



Mrs. Vicki Pennington, Secretary