



ALAMO
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MEMORANDUM

To: Alamo Colleges District Family
From: Mario Muñiz, District Director of Public Relations
Date: August 15, 2017
Subject: Board Meeting Report

On behalf of Dr. Bruce Leslie, the following is a summary of proceedings of the Alamo Colleges District Board of Trustees meeting of August 15, 2017.

Link: [Board Agenda - August 15, 2017](#)

CEREMONIALS/RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Dr. Leslie announced Mr. Rindfuss would not be in attendance due to illness.

Student of the Month – August 2017

Yaillet Gomez, Alamo Colleges District - Palo Alto College, is the recipient of a \$500 La Prensa Foundation Inspirational Scholarship, courtesy of the La Prensa Foundation, founded by Tino & Amelia "Millie" Duran. Yaillet earned her high school diploma from South San Antonio High School in June of 2015 and graduated at the top of her class. Yaillet is a proud member of National Society of Leadership and Success, a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Catch the Next program. Moreover, she works part time as a peer advisor at the STEM Advising center. As a peer advisor, Yaillet has been an integral part of the team by assisting the certified advisors with greeting students, registration, and welcoming them to campus. Yaillet is a leader within her peers and has exemplified many qualities of a role model in leading by example and encouraging others to become better members of society. Yaillet is the oldest of two children and the first in her family to attend college. She plans to transfer to Texas A&M San Antonio to earn her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and ultimately earn her MBA. Yaillet is a motivated and respectful young lady who sees her education as an opportunity to build on her future and to give back to her community. Yaillet truly exemplifies the kind of student the Alamo Colleges District and La Prensa Foundation envisioned honoring with the Student of the Month Award.

Employee of the Month – August 2017

Vanessa Meza, Advising Team Specialist, Alamo Colleges District - St. Philip's College

Recognition of NISOD Award Recipients

Chancellor's Leadership Award - Patricia B. Parma

Recognition of Chef Johnny Hernandez for his Support of Alamo Colleges District in Hosting RC-2020

Recognition of Sonny Knox, Senior Project Manager, Skanska USA, for their philanthropy in Support of Alamo Colleges District - St. Philip's College Scholarship Fund

Rising Star Award: Shantel Artis, Alamo Colleges District - Palo Alto College GED Graduate

Faculty Intern for the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Summer Institute, Katherine Beaumont Doss, Alamo Colleges District - Palo Alto College Dean of Student Success

The Artemisia Bowden Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians Presented the Artemisia Bowden "Holy Woman" Celebrating A Saint Award to Dr. Adena Loston

2017 Hispanic Contractors Association Diversity Awards

1. Mark Price, Facilities Project Coordinator, Volunteer Member of the Year
2. The Hispanic Contractors Association Named Alamo Colleges District the 2017 Project Owner under \$10,000,000 for the Alamo Colleges District - St. Philip's College Veterans Outreach and Transition Center Project

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

CHAIR'S REPORT

2017 ACCT Western Regional Professional Board Staff Member Award - Sandra Mora

Dr. Katz said Mr. Rindfuss was viewing the meeting via webcast. Individual board members reflected on their relationships and history with Mr. Rindfuss. He has served on the Alamo Colleges District Board for over twenty-one years. He was Board Chair from 2012 – 2014 and his current post runs between 2015 – 2020. He was recognized for his commitment to justice, education and student success.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Honors Program – Alamo Colleges District - Palo Alto College, Tori Beckman-Wilson & Thomas Murguia

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Roberto Zárata, Chair

Mr. Roberto Zárata provided an update on the ongoing special session and its potential impacts on community colleges. A video of his recent subcommittee testimony on behalf of the Community College Association of Texas Trustees (CCATT) was shared.

COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT – Denver McClendon, Chair

Town Hall Meeting - Mayor Speaking on City Issues, Dr. Yvonne Katz

Texas Higher Education Symposium - Austin, Dr. Yvonne Katz

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Gala - Alderete Family Honored, Dr. Yvonne Katz

VFW Veteran's Fair, Dr. Yvonne Katz

Alamo Colleges District - St. Phillip's College Good Samaritan Veterans Outreach & Transition Center Grand Opening, Dr. Yvonne Katz

Alamo Colleges District - St. Philip's College Turbon Center Grand Opening, Dr. Yvonne Katz

Alamo Colleges Foundation Meeting, Dr. Yvonne Katz

New Adjunct Faculty Certification Program Graduation, Clint Kingsbery

ACCT Governance Leadership Institute - Washington, DC, Anna U. Bustamante

National Association of Latino and Elected Officials Conference - Dallas, TX, Anna U. Bustamante

Destination College - San Antonio, TX, Alicia Moreno

Texas Higher Education Symposium - Austin, Alicia Moreno

Food Bank @ Palo Alto College, Alicia Moreno

Inner City TIRZ #11 Board of Directors Meeting, Denver McClendon

AUDIT, BUDGET AND FINANCE - Roberto Zárata, Chair

2017 Annual Risk Assessment and Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Internal Audit Plan

The Board approved the 2017 Annual Risk Assessment and Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Internal Audit Plan. The Internal Audit Protocol requires these documents to be presented to Board of Trustees annually. The risk assessment helps identify and rank potential risk areas for Alamo Colleges. This document was the basis for the Internal Audit Department to recommend the proposed project plan for next fiscal year.

Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 All Funds Budget

The Trustees approved the Fiscal Year 2017-18 total budget with projected revenues of \$651,504,757; restricted and plant fund balance inflow of resources of \$23,300,585; operating fund balance commitment of \$0; and expenses of 628,204,172, and the All Funds Budget Report by Location.

Setting a Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

The Board approved, ordered and adopted by roll call vote a Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate of \$0.107760 and a Debt levy tax rate of \$0.04139, for a combined tax rate of \$0.149150/\$100 of assessed valuation for FY 2017/18 which is greater than the 'Combined Effective tax rate' of \$0.144409/\$100 of assessed valuation but less than the Rollback rate of \$0.155290/\$100 of assessed valuation. This measure received eight votes For with one member absent. The Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration is hereby authorized and directed to provide the public notices and to arrange the public hearings as required by the Texas Property Tax Code with respect to the proposed tax rate increase. Following such notice and hearings, the Board of Trustees shall deliberate and vote on the final tax rate increase, within the applicable time frame set out in the Texas Property Tax Code.

Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Participation in TexPool Investment Pools and Designating Authorized Representatives

The Trustees approved the Resolution Authorizing Participation in the TexPool Investment Pools and Designating Authorized Representatives. The following officials of the District are hereby designated as authorized representatives of TexPool: Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration; Associate Vice Chancellor of Finance and Fiscal Services; Controller, Treasurer, and Sr. Treasury Analyst.

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Resolution relating to establishing the Alamo Community College District's intention to reimburse itself for the prior lawful expenditure of funds relating to constructing various College District improvements from the proceeds of one or more series of Tax-Exempt obligations to be issued by the District for authorized purposes; authorizing other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date

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Resolution authorizing the issuance of "Alamo Community College District Limited Tax and Refunding Bonds, Series 2017", levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds, including the approval and distribution of an Official Statement pertaining thereto; authoring the execution of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, an Escrow Deposit Letter, and a Purchase Contract; complying with the Letter of Representations on file with the Depository Trust Company; delegating the authority to certain members of the Board of Trustees and District staff to execute certain documents relating to the sale of the Bonds; and providing an effective date

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Discussion and Possible Action on FY 2018 Supplemental Employer Contribution for ORP Participants

The Alamo Colleges District Board of Trustees approved a supplemental employer contribution of 0.2% for all eligible ORP participants.

BUILDING, GROUNDS & SITES SELECTION - Joe Alderete, Chair

Adoption of the Construction Manager at Risk Construction Contracting Method as Offering the Best Value for the District for the 2017 Capital Improvement Projects

The Trustees determined that the Construction Manager at Risk Construction Contracting Method offers the best value for the District for the 2017 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), authorized its use for that purpose, and authorized the procurement of Architect, Engineer and related services consistent with proceeding with the CIP utilizing that method.

Amending Contracts with Ford Powell & Carson Architects for an Increased Authorization for the Purchase of Architectural and Engineering Services for the District Support Operations (DSO) Building

The Board approved amending the contract with Ford Powell & Carson Architects for the Purchase of Architectural and Engineering Services for the District Support Operations (DSO) Building in the estimated amount of \$1.1 million for a revised not to exceed contract amount of \$3,700,000 as requested by the office for the Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities Operation and Construction Management.

Purchase of Architectural/Engineering/Master Planning Services

The contract action for this purchase was postponed.

PERSONNEL

Appointment of Full Time Faculty

The Board approved the appointment of 12 Full Time Faculty submitted by the College Presidents for the 2017-2018 academic year. Further Board action will not be required for these persons to teach in the indicated disciplines.

Correction of July 2017 Appointment of Full Time Faculty List

The Board approved the appointment of 20 Full Time Faculty submitted by the College Presidents for the 2017-2018 academic year. Further Board action will not be required for these persons to teach in the indicated disciplines.

Renewal of Chancellor's Employment Agreement

This item will be reviewed at a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board approved extending the employment contract of the District Director of Internal Audit.

Next Regular Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2017

George E. Killen Community and Education Service Center
101 Community Meeting Room
201 West Sheridan, San Antonio, Texas