

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
GALVESTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
4015 Avenue Q  
Galveston, Texas 77550  
Room M-220 – Moody Hall  
April 8, 2026  
5:30 p.m.**

At the Regular Meeting of the Galveston Community College District Board of Regents, duly held on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, in Room M-220 of Moody Hall, commencing at 5:30 p.m., the following Regents were present:

Ms. Carolyn L. Sunseri, Chairperson  
Mr. Fred D. Raschke, Vice Chairperson  
Mr. Michael B. Hughes, Secretary (excused)  
Mr. Garrik Addison  
Mr. Armin Cantini  
Ms. Karen Flowers (attended virtually)  
Dr. Norman Hoffman  
Mr. Raymond Lewis, Jr. (attended virtually)  
Ms. Mary R. Longoria

Faculty and staff present included Dr. W. Myles Shelton, President, Mr. Daniel Alcantar, Dr. Carmen Allen, Mr. Tyree Bearden, Ms. Karen Bell, Dr. Conrad Breitbach, Mr. Ed Chrnko, Dr. Courtney Cross, Mr. Jeff Engbrock, Mr. Daniel Fink, Dr. Norma Guzman, Ms. Angie Hoermann, Ms. Vicki Jernigan, Ms. Breanne Lorefice, Ms. Hong Mai, Dr. Van Patterson, Ms. Jennifer Prochaska, Ms. LT Rivera, Ms. Rene Sanders, and Dr. Tirizia York.

- I. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING:** Chair Sunseri opened the Regular Meeting at 5:32 p.m. in Room M-220 of Moody Hall and determined a quorum was present.
- II. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Ms. Sunseri began with a moment of silence and asked Dr. Hoffman to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. CERTIFICATION OF POSTING NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING:** Dr. Shelton confirmed that the notice of the Regular Meeting had been properly posted on April 1, 2026.
- IV. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:** There were no guests in attendance.
- V. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 18, 2026, AND THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2026:** A

reading of the minutes was waived. Mr. Raschke moved to approve the minutes as published; Ms. Longoria seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. CITIZENS DESIRING TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** There were no citizens desiring to appear before the Board.

**VII. INFORMATIVE REPORTS:**

1. Student Success Story: Dr. Shelton introduced this agenda item and Ms. Carmen Allen, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, who presented the Trellis Student Financial Wellness Survey Results. The survey evaluates financial security of students, how the students pay for college, if the college has the support services to help students, if students believe the cost of college is a good investment and student wellbeing. Takeaways included that students experiencing financial insecurity find it difficult to focus on academics, if students know support is available, they may feel more connected to their school, and mental health challenges are linked to a higher risk of poor academic performance.
2. Monthly Financial Reports –March: Mr. M. Jeff Engbrock, Comptroller/CFO, presented the financial report for the month of March. With 58 percent of the year completed, income generated was \$28,139,582 or 89.3 percent of the fiscal year 2025-26 revenue budget compared to 98.1 percent this time last year. State funds for March are \$3,956,309 or 75.1 percent of the budget, based on the change in how state funds are now distributed. Tuition and fees were \$5,883,380 or 104.8 percent of the budget compared to 93.8 percent last year. Local taxes are \$17,477,053 or 90.3 percent of the budget compared to 92.5 percent last year. Local Revenue is \$822,839 or 64.9 percent of the budget, compared to 75.5 percent last year. He reported that total expenses are \$16,566,207 or 52.6 percent of the expenditure budget, compared to 49.5 percent last year.
3. Notice to the Board of Regents that the Contract for Campus Security has exceeded \$100,000: The Board approved a proposal to provide campus security from OPS, Inc. Security Services at the Regular Board of Regents Meeting on August 13, 2025. As a part of the approval, Staff is required to notify the Board of Regents when total expenditures for the fiscal year will exceed \$100,000. It is anticipated that the expenditures for OPS, Inc. will exceed \$100,000 and this informational item is to serve as notice to the Board of Regents. The funding for the expenditures is included in the FY 2026 Budget.

**\*Due to technical difficulties, Ms. Flowers and Mr. Lewis were in and out of the meeting at various times. Ms. Flowers was present for votes on action items 1-6.**

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA:** Ms. Sunseri proceeded with the Consent Agenda. Mr. Raschke moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Action Items No. 4, 5, and 6; Ms. Longoria

seconded. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the Consent Agenda is attached as **Exhibit A**.

## IX. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Consider Approval of Facilities Committee Recommendation Regarding the Health Sciences Education Center (HSEC) Project: Ms. Carolyn Sunseri, Acting Facilities Committee Chair presented this item to the Board. The Facilities Committee met prior to this meeting to consider a recommendation to the Board regarding the Health Sciences Education Center (HSEC) Project. There was no action taken on this item.
2. Consider Approval to Offer Advanced Technical Certificate in Nuclear Medicine: Dr. Matthews presented this item to the Board. Staff is requesting approval to offer an Advanced Technical Certificate in Nuclear Medicine. This will provide an accelerated pathway for registered radiologic technologists to transition into the nuclear medicine profession without the requirement of a second associate degree. Upon completion of the program, graduates will be eligible to sit for the NMTCB and ARRT Nuclear Medicine certification examinations. Courses will be offered on-line or in person.

Dr. Matthews recognized Dr. Courtney Cross who is the program director for this certificate. Just last month Dr. Cross finished her Doctorate of Education, and just with the Consent Agenda, the Board approved her tenure.

Ms. Longoria moved to approve offering the Advanced Technical Certificate in Nuclear Medicine; Mr. Addison seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Consider Approval of Amendment to Interlocal Collection Agreement for Tax Assessment and Collection Services: Dr. Shelton presented this item to the Board. The Galveston County Tax Assessor Collector has indicated that they need to raise their fees from \$0.21 to \$0.27 per parcel beginning in FY2027. There are 51,197 parcels and we anticipate that this will increase this expense from \$10,751 to \$13,823.

Mr. Cantini moved to approve the amendment to the Interlocal Collection Agreement for Tax Assessment and Collection Services; Ms. Flowers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider Approval of Variance to Professional Landscaping Services Contract: The Board unanimously approved the variance to the Professional Landscaping Services Contract. This item was passed in the Consent Agenda.

5. Consider Approval to Purchase Furniture for the Student Success Center: The Board unanimously approved the purchase of furniture for the Student Success Center. This item was passed in the Consent Agenda.
6. Consider Conferment of Faculty Tenure: The Board unanimously approved the tenure of Dr. Courtney Cross. This item was passed in the Consent Agenda.

**X. Adjournment to Closed/Executive Session in Room M-202:** The Board of Regents, as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, reserves the right to enter into a closed/executive session under the following provision of the Act: **Section 551.074** – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:58 p.m.

**XI. Reconvene Regular Meeting (Open Meeting) in Room M-220**

The Board reconvened the open meeting in Room M-220 at 6:38 p.m.

**\*Mr. Lewis and Ms. Flowers did not re-join the meeting, following the Closed/Executive Session**

**XII. Action Items: (Continued)**

7. Consider Full-Time Faculty Reappointments: Dr. Shelton presented this item to the Board. Staff would recommend the re-appointments as presented in the Board Book.

Mr. Raschke moved to approve the full-time faculty re-appointments, both tenured and non-tenured as listed in the board materials; Mr. Addison seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Discuss Presidential Interviews and Presidential Candidates: No action was taken on this item.

**XIII. SPECIAL REPORTS AND COMMENTS:**

1. Student Representative: Ms. Mariana Hernandez Lima presented this item to the Board. The following updates were shared:

Events since the last Board meeting:

- March 19<sup>th</sup> – Movie on the Lawn, 20 people participated
- March 25<sup>th</sup> – Island Fest and Spirit Week, 200-250 people participated
- March 31<sup>st</sup> – Egg Hunt, 40-50 people attended
- March 31<sup>st</sup> - Primetime Movie night – 11 students attended

- April 8<sup>th</sup> – Community Pathways Expo

Upcoming Events:

- April 16<sup>th</sup> - Movie on the Lawn – Interstellar
- April 14<sup>th</sup> – Bowling Night
- April 17<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to apply for an SGA position.
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Earth Day
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Voting Education Seminar in collaboration with the League of Women Voters.
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Talent Show for students and staff
- April 25<sup>th</sup> - Softball Tailgate at 11 a.m.
- April 28<sup>th</sup> - Movie Night at Primetime Cinema

2. Faculty Representative: Mr. Tyree Bearden introduced Ms. Karen Bell who presented on the RN-BSN Program. She discussed lessons learned, new software that is helping students format their papers, and program growth.
3. President: Dr. Shelton shared that Daniel Fink earned his Doctorate Degree. Other updates included:
  - April 14<sup>th</sup> are the public forums for the Presidential Search. The first one starts at 8a.m., the second one begins at 3 p.m. You will have an opportunity to submit comments to the Board on the candidates.
  - April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the Nonsense Dinner Theater.
  - Please note that the end of semester activities are starting to happen. They are listed on your Dates to Remember sheet.
  - The Board retreat will be held at Moody Gardens on June 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Please complete your cyber-security training.
  - Mayor Debate Luncheon is tomorrow.
  - A new AC was put on the student center yesterday.
  - New student housing is being constructed, and things are starting to be framed.
  - New landscaping is going in at the main campus and ATC.
  - Culinary is getting a new walk-in freezer.
  - New lighting is being installed on the outside stairways at the HSEC.
  - Room N-237 is getting ready to go for the new technology engineering program.
  - There was an editorial in the Galveston Daily News regarding the new Engineering Technology Program.
4. Regents: There were no Regent reports.
5. Chairperson: Ms. Sunseri hoped everyone had a joyous Easter Holiday, and we are looking forward to the rest of the semester and graduation.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

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Michael B. Hughes, Secretary

APPROVED AS CORRECT:

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Carolyn L. Sunseri, Chairperson

Consideration of Consent Agenda

The consent agenda format is an organization process for meetings that allows the governing board to focus its time and attention on action items that require more elaboration, information, and/or discussion. The intent of the consent agenda is to support efficiency and effectiveness of the meeting.

A roll call of individual action items will determine the consent agenda. If a Regent has a question or plans to cast a negative vote regarding a specific recommendation, then the Regent(s) need to acknowledge their intention to the Chairperson by show of hand during the roll call. This action item will be considered in the regular order of business as an individual action item.

Those action items that the Regents plan to approve without further question or discussion will be placed on the consent agenda during roll call of individual action items. Upon the creation of the consent agenda, a motion, a second to the motion, and unanimous approval of the Board of Regents is needed to approve the action items. Upon approval of the consent agenda, the Board of Regents will proceed with the remainder of the agenda.

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Action Items:

	<u>Consent Agenda</u>	<u>President Recommended Separate Action</u>	<u>Board Separate Action</u>	<u>Page #</u> _____
#1 – Consider Approval of Facilities Committee Recommendation Regarding the Health Sciences Education Center (HSEC) Project		✓		
#2 – Consider Approval of Advanced Technical Certificate in Nuclear Medicine		✓		
#3 – Consider Amendment to Interlocal Collection Agreement for Tax Assessment and Collection Services		✓		
#4 – Consider Approval of Variance to Professional Landscaping Services Contract	✓			
#5 – Consider Approval of Proposal to Purchase Furniture for the Student Success Center	✓			
#6 – Consider Conferment of Faculty Tenure	✓			
#7 – Consider Full-time Faculty Reappointments		✓		
#8 – Discuss Presidential Interviews and Presidential Candidates		✓		