

San Jacinto College District Board Workshop November 4, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the San Jacinto Community College District met for a Board Workshop at 5:00 p.m., Monday, November 4, 2024, in Room 201 of the Thomas S. Sewell District Administration Building, 4624 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Texas.

MINUTES

	Board Workshop Attendees:	Board Members: Dr. Michelle Cantú-Wilson, Erica Davis Rouse, Marie Flickinger, Dan Mims, John Moon, Jr., Keith Sinor, Larry Wilson Chancellor: Brenda Hellyer Other: Christian Bionat, Mandi Reiland, Teri Zamora
	Agenda Item:	Discussion/Information
I.	Call the Meeting to Order	Chair Flickinger called the workshop to order at 5:02 p.m.
II.	Roll Call of Board Members	Chair Flickinger conducted a roll call of the Board members: Dr. Michelle Cantú-Wilson Erica Davis Rouse, Assistant Secretary Marie Flickinger, Chair Dan Mims John Moon, Jr., Vice Chair Keith Sinor, Secretary Larry Wilson
III.	Adjournment to closed or executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, for the following purposes: Legal Matters and Personnel Matters	Chair Flickinger adjourned to closed session at 5:03 p.m. The Board members listed above as attending and Chancellor Brenda Hellyer were present for the closed session. Also, Christian Bionat, Mandi Reiland, and Teri Zamora were present for the closed session. a. Legal Matters - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law. It was determined after the time of posting that a consultation with an attorney was not needed. b. Personnel Matters - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment,

		<p>duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review process for Board appointment <p>Christian Bionat left the workshop after closed session.</p>
IV.	Reconvene in Open Meeting	Chair Flickinger reconvened to open meeting at 6:06 p.m.
V.	Review of Process and Candidates for Member of Harris Central Appraisal District	<p>Teri Zamora provided an overview of the State’s new process for the structure of appraisal district boards and how appraisal district directors in counties with a population of 75,000 or more are elected. There will now be five directors elected by the voting taxing units in Harris County, which includes community college districts. The size of the Board will increase from six to nine members. Five directors will be elected by the voting taxing units in Harris County, which includes community college districts. The county tax assessor-collector will serve as a voting ex officio director, and the three additional directors are elected at-large by the voters of the county. The College was allowed to nominate up to five candidates but decided not to.</p> <p>Nominations were received for the following eight candidates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Cassandra Auzenne Bandy 2) Jonathan Cowen 3) Martina Lemond Dixon 4) Bill Frazer 5) Melissa Noriega 6) Jim Robinson 7) Paul Shanklin 8) Mike Sullivan <p>Five of these candidates are already on the Harris Central Appraisal District (HCAD) Board. Their terms will expire December 31, 2024.</p> <p>Dr. Brenda Hellyer explained that she spoke with Mike Sullivan, and he originally was not planning to run for the Board again due to the new process being so cumbersome. He was nominated by several cities and decided to stay on the ballot. He also sent an email addressed to the Board</p>

		<p>explaining his qualifications, which was included in the folders they received for the Board workshop.</p> <p>Brenda explained the voting process. The College can allocate any number of votes toward any of the eight candidates, as long as the total votes equal 50.</p> <p>The Board discussed the candidates and determined Mike Sullivan would receive all 50 of the College’s votes pending approval of the action item at tonight’s meeting.</p>
VI.	Review Request for Allocation of Funds for Equipment at Center for Biotechnology	<p>Teri explained the Center for Biotechnology is currently being set up with basic equipment. We expect more enhanced equipment will be funded via grants, state appropriations, and donations. She provided an overview of the basic equipment the College already owns. The needed additional start-up equipment for the Center of Biotechnology includes general equipment, small- and large-scale bioreactors, cell processing equipment, and downstream equipment totaling \$3 million. The request is for this \$3 million to be funded from the Generation Park Opportunity Fund. The current total available in the fund is \$16,800,000. The new balance of the fund, if approved, will be \$13,800,000. The College will continue to seek other funding sources but needs to begin purchasing plans thus the allocation of funding is needed at this point.</p> <p>The Board members were supportive of this plan.</p>
VII.	Review of Calendar	<p>Brenda reviewed the calendar and asked the Board members to let Mandi Reiland know if they would like to attend any events. She informed them that several campus activities have been added in case they would like to attend any.</p>
VIII.	General Discussion of Meeting Items a. Additional Purchasing Support Documents	<p>Brenda explained the Board delegated a contract for the North Campus Welcome Center renovation during the October 7, 2024, Board meeting. This contract was awarded to Andres Construction Services.</p>
IX.	Adjournment	<p>Chair Flickinger adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.</p>