

**RANGER COLLEGE**  
**BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 20, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Goleman Library Board Room**

**Members Present**

Jackie Stephens, Chairman

Jo Anne Greenwood, Vice Chairman

Sandi Herod, Secretary

Vanna Dains

Shawn Wells

Doug Crawley

Bobby Murry

Della Carey

Ron Butler

**CEO/Staff Present**

Derrick Worrels, President

Dr. Lindy Matthews

Gaylyn Mendoza

Amy Spindle

Shayla Honeycutt

Luis Ramirez

Patti Woolam

Debbie Karl

Patrice Tyson

Don Hilton

Gabe Lewis

Dr. Sandra Lee

Dixon Bailey

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Robert Culverhouse

Shanarya Moton

### **Agenda Item #1- Call to Order Public Meeting**

Regent Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### **Agenda Item #2- Invocation**

President Worrels voiced the invocation.

### **Agenda Item #3- Pledge of Allegiance**

Regent Stephens led the Board in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

### **Agenda Item #4- Public Comment for Individuals Not on the Agenda**

No comments were made.

### **Agenda Item #5- President's Report**

1. Rodeo Grounds update: The defense attorney withdrew from the case claiming she was not getting paid. Wild Horses has not gotten a new attorney.
2. Graduation on the 3rd was a great showing for Ranger College and the Community. He gave Shayla Honeycutt and her team kudos for all they did to make it successful. We did some things that were a little different such as serving cookies and punch after the ceremony. The families were very appreciative. Our security department was transporting people in the rain.
3. He mentioned that there was a conversation amongst presidents and we are one of the only colleges that meet every single month. He recommended that we cut two Board meetings which are July and December. If we need to meet during those months then we will meet as-needed. Regent Stephens mentioned that we should put that on the agenda next month and vote on it.

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4. Luis Ramirez has been at Ranger College for quite some time now. He has worked his way up the ranks through several positions. Realistically Luis has been a utility type of person for us. Whatever we have needed he has done it. He is recommending to the Board that we move Luis to a VP position. He is an AVP right now. Our numbers for Dual Credit continue to grow. With our new HSI grant we are working on adding a new Dual Credit position. He will be filling a dual position covering Dual Credit and Erath Center VP.
5. We have received forecasted models for the state budget. From last year we will receive \$600,000 more.

**Agenda Item #6- Consider and Approve the Employment Contract for CEO and President Derrick Worrels through August 2025 (Matthews)**

Regent Murry made and Regent Crawley seconded a motion to enter executive session. The motion was carried unanimously. The Board entered executive session at 6:13 pm.

Regent Herod made and Regent Carey seconded a motion to approve the employment contract for CEO/President Derrick Worrels through August 2026 with the following changes 1. item two on the bullet points be eliminated. 2. Item 3 will be changed to reflect that the board will review the President's salary annually . The motion was carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #7- Consider and Approve the issuing of Certificates of Election to Each Unopposed Candidate in the May 4, 2024 General Election that was Canceled (Mendoza)**

We have to go through a certification process before we can do the statement and oath of officers. This is for the three places listed on agenda item #8. For purposes of the election Regent Crawley made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to approve the issuing of Certificates of Election to each unopposed candidate in the May 4, 2024 General Election that was canceled. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #8- Swearing in for New Board Members (Mendoza)**

- Ms. Della Carey (Place 1)
- Mr. Ron Butler (Place 2)

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- **Ms. Vanna Dains (Place 3)**

Each member recited the oath and executed the Statement of Officer.

**Agenda Item #9- Consider and Approve Election of Board of Regents Officer for 2024 - 2026  
(Worrels)**

Policy BCA (LEGAL) states that the Board will elect officers at the first regular meeting following the election of members of the board.

Board Officers are Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary. Policy BCA (LEGAL) states that the Board will have a President and Secretary, and other officers as the Board deems necessary or advisable. Past practice at Ranger College has been to use the titles Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary.

According to the College's BCA (LEGAL) policy, officers of the board shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the board following the regular election of members of the board in even-numbered years, or at any time thereafter in order to fill a vacancy.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Wells seconded a motion to elect Jackie Stephens as a Chairman to serve from June 1, 2024 until the next Board of Regents election of officers in 2026. The motion was carried unanimously.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Murry seconded a motion to elect Shawn Wells as Vice Chairman to serve from June 1, 2024 until the next Board of Regents election of officers in 2026. The motion was carried unanimously.

Regent Murry made and Regent Crawley seconded a motion to elect Vanna Dains as Secretary to serve from June 1, 2024 until the next Board of Regents election of officers in 2026. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #10- Consider and Approve March 2024 Financial Statements (Mendoza)**

Mrs. Mendoza discussed the March 2024 financial statements.

Total Assets: \$36,280,257 which are mostly in capital and right of use assets.

Total Liabilities: \$29,797,059 which are mostly in bonds payable.

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Net Position: \$2,737,632

#### Statement of Revenues through March

- State funds: There is a big increase from the prior year.
- Federal funds: Increased from last year due to the HSI grant.
- Student tuition: Increased because we have had record enrollment this year.
- Student financial aid: Increased related to the financial aid awarded to students due to the increase in enrollment.

#### Statement of Expenses through March (part of the semester because we have two months of payroll and utilities)

- Academic Support increased which is related to J1 implementation, maintenance, and the QEP.
- Physical plant: Increased due to building improvements.
- Auxiliary Enterprises: Increased due to student enrollment.
- Student Financial Aid: Increased
- Operating grants: Increased due to HSI grant and the NSRP and the purchase of the sim baby and mom.
- Grand Total Expenditures: \$7,003,098
- Total Net Revenue: \$3,745,566

Checks issued over \$500. Regent Herod asked about the dining expenses. Mrs. Mendoza stated that we have several sports. She also asked about the stock contractor. That is related to the rodeo. Mr. Murry asked about the \$25,000 insurance payment. Mrs. Mendoza stated that it was for a deductible that was issued to the insurance company for an employment settlement.

Regent Murry made and Regent Dains seconded a motion to approve the March 2024 Financial Statements. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### **Agenda Item #11- Consider and Approve Personnel Issues (*Spindle*)**

Mrs. Spindle discussed the new hires and separations. We have a new part-time employee in the library. We have a few separations and some internal promotions.

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Regent Herod made and Regent Crawley seconded a motion to approve personnel issues. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #12- Consider and Approve the Minutes of the April 29, 2024 Board Meeting**

Regent Wells made and Regent Greenwood seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2024 Board meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #13- Announcements:**

- a. Upcoming Events
- b. The date of the Next Board Meeting is June 24, 2024

**Agenda Item #14- Adjourn**

Regent Herod made and Regent Dains seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:12 pm.

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