# RANGER COLLEGE SPECIAL BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING MINUTES July 15, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. Goleman Library Board Room

#### **Members Present**

Jackie Stephens, Chairman Shawn Wells, Vice Chair Vanna Dains, Secretary Doug Crawley Bobby Murry Ron Butler JoAnne Greenwood Sandi Herod Della Carey

#### **CEO/Staff Present**

Derrick Worrels, President Dr. Lindy Matthews Stan Feaster Luis Ramirez Stephanie Worrels Amy Spindle Gaylyn Mendoza

#### 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.

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

- a. He apologized for the Special Board Meeting in July. We will also be adding a Special Board Meeting in August.
- b. He went to visit Dr. Campion and Sharon this past weekend. Dr. Campion is not doing great but he still has the Dr. Campion mannerisms. He is side by side with his wife. We will keep him lifted up in prayer. He is cognizant but he wants to be as sharp as he always has been and that is frustrating for him right now.
- c. Day of Champions has been moved to August 24, 2024 to relieve some of our excusatory complaints.

# Agenda Item #6- Consider and Approve Mandatory Student Accident Policy and Secondary Athletic Insurance Policies for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

Mrs. Mendoza discussed that the college purchases a Student Accident Policy for all the College's students that are on our campuses for a Mandatory Student Accident Policy Fee of \$35 per year. The revenue generated from this fee is estimated at \$39,000 and is applied to the student accident policy for the 2024-2025 year. This estimate is consistent with prior years. With this policy in place by the College, the co-pay on the athletic insurance is reduced from \$250 per injury to \$0 per injury. The College purchases Secondary Athletic Insurance to cover injuries to student athletes. For 2024-2025, our current Broker (HUB/Dissinger Reed) calculated our loss ratio from the past 6 years of claims and premiums. Our loss ratio has decreased from 96% in 2019, 77% in 2020, 63% in 2021, 34% in 2022, 27% in 2023, to 30% in 2024. This decrease in loss ratio is due to requiring student athletes to provide personal insurance as their primary coverage and adding the student accident policy. However, over the past year, claims paid was over \$90,000 more than what was paid out the previous year. Consequently, the cost of the secondary athletic insurance policy offered by the current carrier increased by more than \$16,000. HUB/Dissinger Reed was able to obtain three additional quotes for the same coverage to keep our premiums close to the same cost. One annual

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2024-2025 premium, which is an increase of 4.8%. The total premium for both the student accident policy and the secondary athletic insurance coverage is \$115,500 for 2024-2025.

The College is required by NJCAA to maintain a Catastrophic Insurance Policy. This policy contains a Catastrophic Cash benefit through Zurich American Insurance Company with a premium of \$8,770 for the 2024-2025 year.

The current policy expires July 31, 2024. In order to have coverage for student athletes, the College will need to sign the contract for this coverage to make certain that ath\$76,500 respectively, for the 2024-2025 Academic Year and the Catastrophic Insurance Policy containing a catastrophic cash benefit through Zurich American Insurance Company in the amount of \$8,770 for the 2024-2025 year.

Regent Crawley made and Regent Carey seconded a motion to approve the mandatory student accident policy and secondary athletic insurance policies provided by HUB/Dissinger Reed in the amount of \$39,000 and \$76,500, respectively, for the 2024-2025 academic year. Also, the Board of Regents approves the Catastrophic insurance policy containing a catastrophic cash benefit through Zurich American Insurance Company in the amount of \$8,770 for the 2024-2025 year. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #7- Consider and Approve Proposed Tuition and Fee Schedule for Fall 2024

Mrs. Mendoza discussed that the Board of Regents establish the tuition and fee rates for college programs in accordance with the Texas Education Code Chapter 54. The College Board of Regents approved the 2024-2025 Academic Year Tuition and Fee Schedule on March 25, 2024. In an effort to reduce the number of fees charged to students, Ranger College would like to remove the Change of Course Fee of \$5 effective for the Fall 2024 semester. This fee requires additional manual labor hours to track each student and add the charge to the student's account. The fee has only generated between \$2,500 and \$3,500 the last two fiscal years. The proposed tuition and fee changes are necessary to provide adequate revenues for college operations. The Tuition and Fee Committee has reviewed and recommended the proposed tuition and fee schedule.

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Regent Wells asked, "who all serves on the tuition and fees committee?" Mrs. Mendoza responded with a list of names and stated that it comprises individuals that oversee programs that have different fees associated with said program, as well as, other individuals that directly work with student accounts.

Regent Herod made and Regent Wells seconded a motion to approve the proposed Tuition and Fee Schedule for Fall 2024 as recommended by the Tuition and Fees Committee. The motion was carried unanimously.

## Agenda Item #8- Announcements:

a. Upcoming Events

Day of Champions- August 24, 2024

b. The date of the Next Board Meeting is August TBD

### Agenda Item #9 -Adjourn

Regent Herod made and Regent Dains seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion was carried unanimously.

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