

MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
(Public Hearing on Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018)

September 6, 2017

The Called Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District convened in the Isensee Board Room, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, Texas at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 6, 2017, with the following present:

From the Board:

Mr. Gabriel Rivas, First Vice Chair, Dr. Nicholas Adame, Mr. Ed Bennett, Ms. Elva Estrada, and Mr. Guy Watts.

Ms. Susan Hutchinson arrived at 5:32 p.m.

Ms. Sandra Messbarger arrived at 5:32 p.m.

From the College:

Dr. Mark Escamilla, President; Dr. Beth Lewis, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. Augustin Rivera, Jr., General Counsel; Ms. Lenora Keas, Vice President of Workforce Development and Strategic Initiatives; Dr. Rito Silva, Vice President for Student Affairs; Ms. Claudia Jackson, Executive Director of Strategic Communication and Government Relations; Ms. Tammy McDonald, Vice President of Human Resources and Administration; Ms. Jessica Alaniz, Risk Manager; and other staff and faculty.

CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM CALL/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MISSION STATEMENT

Mr. Rivas called the meeting to order with a quorum present. The prior meeting contained a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Public hearing on tax rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
(*Goal 7. Resources: Ensure Strong Financial and Operational Capacity*)

Ms. Keas reviewed the following information:

- Maintenance and operations budget, with a proposed budget of \$51,459,964 and a proposed M&O tax rate of 0.205700/\$100;
- Debt Service Budget, with a debt service obligation of \$13,328,801 with a debt service tax rate of 0.053463/\$100; and
- Proposed Combined Tax Rate, with the proposed combined rate of \$0.259163/\$100 of valuation, which results in an increase of 1.3 cents/\$100. The average value within our district is \$157,886, and the increase per year would be \$20.64

See included [Tax Rate Presentation](#).

Ms. Keas reviewed the tax rate information for Board members that were not present when the meeting began during the fifteen minute interval opportunity provided for the public to arrive for public hearing comments.

2. Discussion and possible action related to public hearing comments.
(Goal 5. Advocacy: Advance the College Mission Through Effective Governance and Positioning)

Mr. Jack Gordy made a public comment expressing his opposition to the tax increase.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items) – 3-minute time limit

Ms. Jackson provided information regarding the premiere KEDT was airing on the Vietnam War series.

CALENDAR: Discussion and possible action related to calendaring dates.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES REVIEWED BY GC: /s/AR