

THE OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Big Bend Community College Board of Trustees held its regular Board meeting Wednesday, March 25, 2020, at 12:10 p.m. in the ATEC Masto Conference Center in Building 1800 on the Big Bend Community College campus.

1. Call to Order

Present: Anna Franz
Jon Lane
Stephen McFadden
Juanita Richards
Thomas Stredwick

2. Presidential Search

Board Chair Stephen McFadden announced a 30-minute executive session for the purposes to discuss items provided for in RCW 42.30.110 (1): (g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

At 12:40 p.m. Board Chair Stephen McFadden announced a 15-minute recess.

At 12:55 p.m. Board Chair Stephen McFadden announced a 30-minute executive session to discuss items provided for in RCW 42.30.110 (1): (g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

At 1:25 Board Chair Stephen McFadden announced a 5-minute break immediately followed by a 15-minute executive session to discuss items provided for in RCW 42.30.110 (1): (g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

At 1:45 the meeting reconvened.

Motion 20-31 Trustee Anna Franz moved to select Dr. Sara Thompson Tweedy as BBCC's next president. Trustee Juanita Richards seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Trustee Anna Franz stated that all three candidates were immensely qualified, and she thanked BBCC staff for their efforts through the grueling search process. Trustee Juanita Richards agreed that it was a very tough decision and thanked everyone for their time-intensive efforts. Trustee Thomas Stredwick stated selecting the next president was very difficult, and he relied on the data, research, and interviews. One comment particularly noteworthy referring to Dr. Thompson Tweedy shared, "she'll be a voice of expansion in a time of retraction and fear." Trustee Jon Lane stated he appreciated Board Chair Stephen McFadden's leadership through the search process

and VP Kim Garza's hard work and is looking forward to BBCC's exciting future. Board Chair Stephen McFadden thanked all who contributed to the process, including fellow trustees, staff, faculty and students for participating in the search process. He also thanked VP Kim Garza and Executive Assistant Melinda Dourte for their support.

The motion passed unanimously.

At 2:11 p.m. Board Chair announced a 10-minute recess for VP Kim Garza to contact the three candidates. The board will return for one more action.

At 2:21 p.m. the meeting reconvened.

VP Kim Garza shared that Dr. Sara Thompson Tweedy was pleased to accept the presidency of BBCC.

Motion 20-32

Trustee Thomas Stredwick moved to set the president's salary at \$223,500 annually. Trustee Anna Franz seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Stephen McFadden, Chair

ATTEST:

Terry Leas, Secretary