

SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE FOUNDATION
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 27, 2015 ♦ 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
LOCATION: BUILDING 210, ROOM 214

Present: Ben Green, Linda Gilstrap, Halé Richardson, Ricardo Macedo, Melinda Nish, Melyn Acasio, Joe Martinez, David Hoffman, Jean Roesch, Sofia Corona, and Mitch Thompson

Absent: Chayo Moreno, Kimberly Grady, Hank Murphy, Patti Finnegan, Holly Hidingier, Nora Vargas, Cynthia Reyna, Lorena Victoria, Jesse Navarro, and Ruben Garcia

Recorder: Dawn Perez

1. WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER – Ben Green
The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- ACTION (Enclosure) - Ben Green
 - A. September 22, 2015 – postponed until November meeting
3. GOVERNING BOARD REPORT - Nora Vargas, SWC Governing Board Trustee
Dr. Nish reported on behalf of Nora Vargas as follows:
 - The Governing Board passed a board resolution in opposition to unitary water rates. SWC has made great efforts to save water by installing artificial turf and using recycled water for irrigation as well as installing a “smart” irrigation system. New buildings will have a collection system for water run off.
 - Hiring is in full swing. An early incentive option is available to employees and approximately 50 employees are expected to retire/separate from SWC before December 31, 2015.
 - Focusing on students’ first year experience and preparing them for college by encouraging high school students to take math during their senior year and by providing “boot camps” during the summer. Once students start at SWC designated counselors, peer mentors, and embedded classroom tutors are provided.
4. ANNUAL MEETING - Ben Green
 - A. Motion made by David Hoffman, seconded by Mitch Thompson and unanimously approved to accept the slate of officers:
 - President – Ricardo Macedo
 - Vice President – Joe Martinez
 - Secretary – Halé Richardson
 - Treasurer – Cynthia Reyna
5. FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE – Melinda Nish, Ed.D.
Dr. Nish reported that recruitment closed on October 26, 2015 with several applications received. Mitch Thompson and Jean Roesch volunteered to serve on first level committee and Ricardo Macedo will serve on the second level committee.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS - Ben Green

A. Fundraising Committee

- Afternoon Luncheon, Westgate Hotel, November 6, 2015 - Ricardo Macedo
Melyn reported that as of now we are about 50% sold out. Linda reported who had purchased tables/tickets. Directors were asked to reach out to their contacts for potential sales.

7. TREASURERS REPORT- (Enclosure) - Cynthia Reyna

A. Financial Reports for August and September 2015 were presented by Ben Green.

8. ADJOURNMENT - Ben Green

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 a.m.