

***AC Hinkson Memorial Campus
Advisory Committee Meeting
Conference Room 128
Meeting Minutes***

December 6, 2016

I. Call to order

Major Diego Barela called to order the regular meeting of the Advisory Committee at 5:30 p.m. on December 6, 2016 at AC Hinkson Memorial Campus, conference room 128.

II. Roll call

Major Diego Barela conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Jerry Stevens, Carolyn Waters, Mike Schueler, Michael Kitten, Mal Manchee, Daniel Esquivel, Susan Robbins, and Major Diego Barela.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Major Diego Barela read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

- a) TIERS Zone – The new Big Texas. Two new hotels are being built. \$100 million in infrastructure being built in the next 30 years. Regence is leaning toward not approving. A meeting is set at noon next Wednesday and it will be voted on.
- b) Dr. Vess is no longer with Amarillo College. We now have an interim in her place.
- c) Registration mode is on and we are up at this time as far as enrollment. We are up 20 students more than we were at this time last year. Reflecting back on Fall Semester we had a very low drop-out rate. We lost 2 students. We are going to pursue this 8-week format. In addition to that, Amarillo College is offering Mini-May semesters. Fast paced course that is over in a 2 week period. We are offering it, as a suggestion to our staff, to see if we can develop our own Mini-May semesters to give our students the opportunity to benefit from this as well.

- d) Dr. Vess was a proponent for us and our branch campuses. She was very instrumental in getting us our full programs. We are in the process in developing our Nursing program next fall. Daniel's request is that we need to continue to support the movement of having full programs here. We're pretty optimistic that it will continue the way it is and we really want to focus on trying to pull and have the full programs on our campus. We want to make sure that we do not begin to go backwards and lose what the Hereford campus has gained.

V. New business

- a) Advisory Committee Handbook- We need to focus on structure and the bi-laws.
- b) Have we sent an invitation to our new superintendent? I did mention it to her and she was very open to it.
- c) We need to invite someone from the hospital to see if they are willing to join the advisory committee.

VI. Adjournment

Major Diego Barela adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.