

To: Giles Brown  
Regina Organ  
Dava Washburn

Gary Paikowski  
Randy Truxal  
Debbie Smarr

Mary Linder  
Jeremy McMillen

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**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Board Room 100D**  
**8:30am on January 5, 2016**

**Meeting Minutes**

*Present:*

Dr. Jeremy McMillen  
Mr. Giles Brown  
Mr. Gary Paikowski  
Dr. Regina Organ  
Dr. Dava Washburn  
Mr. Randy Truxal  
Dr. Chase Machen  
Dr. Debbie Smarr

Dr. Kim Williams  
Mr. Steve Davis  
Mrs. Joanna Barnes  
Mrs. Djuna Forrester  
Dr. Molly Harris- *Absent*  
Ms. Mary Linder  
Mr. Leon Deutsch

Guests: Dana Taylor, Mike Dill

**Informational Items:**

1. Mike Dill presented a proposal for his CLARA project, a chili cookoff. Dr. Organ moved to approve the project. Upon a second by Dr. Dava Washburn, the motion carried.
2. HR Director Dana Taylor shared concerns regarding overtime, comp time and how that might affect TRS retirement.
3. Gainful Employment was tabled to the next meeting.
4. Steve Davis presented program cost analysis
5. Progress report for all grants being administered
  - a. Rand Grant- Final report has been submitted.
  - b. North Texas Wine Grape Cultivar and Rootstock Evaluation
  - c. NSF/ATE- the Mentor/Mentee conference is in late January.
  - d. Skills Development Funds- Final report has been submitted.
  - e. Parallel Pathways- 3 high school students have graduated. The grant ends mid-May
  - f. Adult Basic Education- audit will be done mid-March
  - g. T-STEM
  - h. SSS
  - i. Smith Foundation Grant
  - j. Veterans- hiring staff
    - i. College for Heroes
    - ii. Veterans Center for Excellence

**New Business:**

1. Dr. McMillen shared that the state average for tuition is \$81 and requested projections for the next academic year. A \$4 increase is proposed.
2. The tax rate hasn't increased in 7 years.
3. Because of Prior Prior Year, we need to adjust our planning schedule. This will be discussed in a future meeting. Fall 2017 tuition needs to be set by June 2016, so students can plan adequately. The net-cost calculator will need to be adjusted on the website and some long-term planning needs to be done.
4. 31% of GC students are in the Murky Middle.
5. Gary Paikowski proposed a campus-wide document imaging system. This cloud-based solution is fully searchable.
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