MEMORANDUM

To: Alamo Colleges Family

From: Mr. Leo Zuniga, Associate Vice Chancellor of Communications

Date: April 15, 2014

Subject: Board Meeting Report

On behalf of Dr. Bruce Leslie, the following is a summary of proceedings of the Alamo Colleges Board of Trustees meeting of April 15, 2014.

Link: Board Agenda - April 15, 2014

Please note the amendment to the Alamo Colleges 2014 Retirement Incentive Program under Audit, Budget & Finance.

MEMORIALS
Dr. Bruce Leslie led an observance of silence in memory of Dean Ruben Flores

CEREMONIALS
Recognition of LULAC Council #2 and Rey Feo Scholarship Committee, Inc. for the Tom Sandoval LULAC Rey Feo Parent/Child Scholarship that has raised $400,000 for Alamo Colleges student scholarships.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS, FACULTY AND STAFF

Student of the Month – April 2014
Gina Rose, Alamo Colleges – Northeast Lakeview College, is the recipient of a $500 La Prensa Foundation Inspirational Scholarship, courtesy of the La Prensa Foundation, founded by Tino & Amelia “Millie” Duran. Gina came to NLC after serving active duty in the US Army where she was employed as a Certified Radiology Tech. Diagnosed with cancer several years ago, she had to give up her military career and states she came back to college because she needed “a
distraction from her treatments.” Ms. Rose indicates her experience at Northeast Lakeview College “has been nothing but enjoyable” and she has found a new passion for psychology. However, she still keeps her radiology license up-to-date and is an active member of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT). She plans to finish up the courses needed to transfer to a university where she hopes to pursue a Bachelor’s degree in Psychology. Her ultimate goal is to complete her Master’s degree and begin a career in Industrial Psychology.

Alamo Academies CyberPatriot Team  
Gene Bowman, Director of the Alamo Area Academies, introduced the Information Technology Security Academy CyberPatriot Team members who have won the Mayor’s Cup for the fourth year in a row and have ranked in the top 12 teams in the nation.

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Associations (GFOA) -- Alamo Colleges Budget Department was recognized

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT  
Association of Governing Board Conference report by Dr. Yvonne Katz
Board of Trustees Institute (BOTI) - Achieving the Dream Board Conference  
The Board team of Roberto Zarate, Joe Alderete, Drs. Gene Sprague, Yvonne Katz and Bruce Leslie met in work groups to design the Engagement Goals/Activities and shared the work in the general assembly of the BOTI meeting in Santa Fe (March 2014). This work will be included in the manual/notebook for next year’s meeting in Santa Fe. Next year, the group will assess how well the Board implements the identified work areas during 2014-2015.

Association of Governing Board Conference report - Dr. Yvonne Katz

Travel Authorization for Trustees to attend the NISOD  
The Trustees approved travel expenses for Trustees to attend the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Conference in Austin, Texas on May 25-28, 2014.

CHANCELLOR’S REPORT  
Monthly Report on Alamo Colleges Regional Centers  
On behalf of Dr. Zaragoza, Mr. Leo Zuniga reported on the Alamo Colleges regional centers:

The City of New Braunfels and Central Texas Technology Center (CTTC) partners are scheduled to meet on April 25, 2014 to discuss the initial phase of the 25,000 sq. ft. CTTC expansion plan.
Ms. Shawna Fahrenthold, Manager of The Alamo Colleges – Greater Kerrville Center, provided a tour of the Fox Tank Company for U. S. Senator John Cornyn on March 15.

The CTTC and Greater Kerrville Center continue to provide student support services, such as assistance with the Apply Texas application, financial aid information and dual credit qualifications.

Strategic Planning Retreat Report presented by Dr. Tom Cleary

ITS Update by Dr. Tom Cleary—Presented 100 Years of Workplace Technology trajectory and presented summer enrollment figures to date—15,926.

Academic & Career Advising Model presented by Dr. Adelina Silva for students with Pre-College – 0 hours, 0-30 hours and 31+ hours

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
Presentation by Tracey Mendoza and Julie Nichols: Match Made in NLC Heaven: ENGL 1301 & LIBR 0001 - Northeast Lakeview College

Presentation by Chris Dillon of San Antonio College: Alamo Colleges Wellness Program. This included information on the “1st Annual Alamo Colleges Wellness 5K”, that had 175 participants.

AUDIT, BUDGET & FINANCE
Parking Garage Usage Fee
The Trustees approved a) the discontinuation of the $1 per use differential garage parking fee for students and employees; b) the retail use costs being priced into the parking lease contracts; and c) continuation of existing pricing for reserved parking garage use. Tobin Loft residents will continue to pay $200 per year for non-students and $150 per year for students for reserved parking in the SAC Tobin Garage.

Tuition and Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
The Board approved the tuition and fee schedule for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. The schedule reflects $0 increase in regular tuition for in-district, out of district, non-Texas and international students. The schedule has been updated---some of the changes: Eliminated International Student Insurance Fee (students will pay directly to provider for this personal insurance), PAC: Aviation Technology – Career Pilot New Location. Added New Braunfels, Special Program tuition--PAC: Cosmetology Program - $300, NVC: Personal Fitness Training program --$600, and SPC: Vision Care Technology--$700.

Purchase of Conducted Electrical Weapons (TASERS)
The Board awarded a contract to Taser International, Inc. providing for the purchase of Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEW's) in the amount of $83,721.54 as requested by the Alamo Colleges Police Department. The CEW’s will be issued to our Police Officers for use as a less than lethal use of force option.

Purchase of Information Technology Consulting Services
The Trustees awarded a contract to First Object, Inc., providing for the purchase of Information Technology Consulting Services in the amount of $72,960.00 as requested by Alamo Colleges Planning, Performance, and Information Systems department. The scope of work requires the consultant to analyze Alamo Colleges applications, needs, functions, objectives, requirements and specifications to deliver software program development resulting in report writing tools that will be used with data from our Banner financial system.

Amendment to the Alamo Colleges 2014 Employee Retirement Incentive Program
The Trustees approved the amendment to the Alamo Colleges 2014 Retirement Incentive Program that allows employees who had submitted resignations and were still employed as of March 25, 2014 to participate in the program. In all other respects, the program shall remain unchanged by this amendment.

FACILITIES
Alamo Colleges Participation in CPS Energy Demand Response Program
The Trustees approved Alamo Colleges’ participation in the CPS Energy Demand Response program. Participation in the CPS Energy Demand Response voluntary program affords Alamo Colleges the opportunity to earn incentives for curtailing its electric load at peak times during the summer months. Incentive payment will be made to Alamo Colleges subject to measurement and verification of performance under the Demand Response Program.

ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND STUDENT SUCCESS
Honorary Associate of Arts Degree Recipient at Palo Alto College
The Trustees approved Mr. Mario Lozoya as recipient of an Honorary Associate of Arts degree. Mr. Lozoya has contributed substantially to the education, well-being of our community and values of Palo Alto College in his support of college and Southside Community initiatives.

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Purchase of Online Math Assessment and Learning System
The Board awarded a contract to McGraw-Hill Higher Education providing for the purchase of Online Math Assessment and Learning System in the estimated annual amount of $226,000.00, as requested by the Alamo Colleges Department of Academic Success.
POLICY
Policy A.1.3 - College District Vision, Mission, Values and Goals
The Board adopted revisions to Policy A.1.3 - College District Vision, Mission, Values and Goals. To update Policy A.1.3 with new Shared Values, the guiding principles and actions that embody our desired culture: Students First, Respect for All, Community-engaged, Collaboration, Can Do Spirit, and Data-informed and update the Strategic Objectives and associated Goals.

PERSONNEL
Promotions in Academic Rank 2014-2015 Academic Year
The Trustees in accordance with policies for promotion in rank adopted by the Board of Trustees, authorized the granting of promotion in academic rank to 53 faculty members. The faculty members have been evaluated by departmental committees, the department chairperson, and administration of the college. They are recommended for promotion in rank effective Fall 2014.

Reappointment of Faculty for the Alamo Colleges 2014-2015 Academic Year
The Board authorized the Chancellor, or his designee, to issue faculty contracts, for a period of nine (9) months or twelve (12) months to faculty, or ten and one-half (10.5) months to faculty chairs, within the fiscal means of the College District and to satisfy the instructional needs of the students. The Chancellor is also authorized to issue summer employment agreements required to meet the instructional needs of the students and within the fiscal means of the College District. All salaries are subject to the availability of funds. In accordance with Alamo Colleges Policy each respective college will annually submit a list recommending approval of Full-Time Faculty.

Appointment of Administrators Including the Position of District Director of Internal Audit
The Board approved the recommendation of employment for the following administrator position: District Director of Internal Audit.

Executive Session
Mr. Matthew Mills was named as District Director of Internal Audit

Personnel Matter: Grievance Filed by Ms. Hahn Alvarado

Next Regular Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2014.