MEMORANDUM

To: Alamo Colleges Family

From: Leo Zuniga, Associate Vice Chancellor of Communications

Date: April 17, 2012

Subject: Board Meeting Report

On behalf of Dr. Leslie, the following is a summary of proceedings of the Alamo Colleges Board of Trustees meeting of April 17, 2012.

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Ceremonials

Recognition of Rackspace Foundation for Gift for Robotics Summer Camps
Recognition of Masters Leadership Program Class VIII for Gift to Masters Leadership Program Scholarship

Recognition of All State Academic Team, Northwest Vista College

Recognition of Special Guests, Faculty and Staff

Student of the Month – April 2012

Antonio Alvarez, San Antonio College, is the recipient of a $500 La Prensa Foundation Inspirational Scholarship, courtesy of the La Prensa Foundation founded by Tino and Amelia “Millie” Duran. Antonio joined the Honors Academy after he registered to take classes at San Antonio College where he has thrived. A true first generation in college student, although his mom is currently enrolled in college as well, Antonio earned a 4.0 GPA his first semester as a Business major. He also won the Fine Arts Speech Competition for his oration on “Plato’s Allegory of the Cave.” He has quickly emerged as a leader of the Honors Academy and a champion of its goals and visions. He has already made trips to neighboring high schools to help recruit student to join the Honors Academy. Eventually he hopes to create a foundation for kids who come from broken homes that wish to learn, and present them with the opportunities to pursue a higher education through scholarships and financial assistance.

Alamo Colleges Employee of the Month – April 2012

Alan Garner, Computer Lab Tech. III, Northwest Vista College

Granting of Emeritus Status

The Board approved, with recognition and appreciation for 36 years of dedicated service to St. Philip’s College and with the recommendation of the faculty and administration of St. Philip’s College and the Chancellor of the District, Dr. William David Bentley Professor Emeritus of the Respiratory Care Technology Program of St. Philip’s College.
Chairman’s Report

Trustees Jim Rindfuss, Joe Alderete and Gary Beitzel were highly complementary of the contributions made by Trustee Blakely Fernandez during her tenure as an Alamo College board member. Ms. Fernandez will not seek reelection to the board and will serve on the board until May. Trustee Ana Bustamante recognized two Harlandale ISD board members present.

Chancellor’s Report

The Regional Centers report by Dr. Federico Zaragoza included a strategic planning meeting held in New Braunfels with a focus on higher education in the regional areas of New Braunfels and Seguin, three LVN students received $1,500 each from the Schneider Scholarship Trust in New Braunfels, and the Caterpillar plant was approved for an additional $396,625 in funding for training through the CTTC.

Presentation on the Internationalization of Higher Education presented by Dr. William G. Davey of Global Specialists, LLC.

Program Highlights

Presentation: “Journalism, Department of Media Communications, San Antonio College”
Covered the department’s history, learning objectives, career pathways, former students employed in major media companies nationwide, and distinguished former students including Pulitzer Prize winners Ron Cortez (Philadelphia Inquirer, 1997) and Rodolfo Gonzalez (Rocky Mountain News, 2000).

Policy

Policy D.8.2 Promotion and Demotion
The Board approved and authorized the amendments to D.8.2 – Promotion and Demotion including its associated procedures D.8.2.1 and D.8.2.2. Policy is amended to provide a definite structure to the promotion and demotion review process.

Policy F.6.3 Mandatory New Student Orientation
The Board approved Policy F.6.3 – Mandatory New Student Orientation to promote college readiness and a smooth transition into the Alamo Colleges through a comprehensive New Student Orientation program designed to orient
students to the responsibilities, behavior, expectations and benefits associated with a successful college student.

Audit, Budget and Finance

Purchase of Inbound Call Center Services for Student Financial

The Trustees authorized negotiation of a contract with Harte-Hanks, Inc. providing for the purchase of inbound call center services in the estimated amount of $179,000 to $230,000 the first year and an estimated $100,000 per year in years two and three as requested by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Success.

Tuition Schedule for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Reflecting a Three Percent General Tuition Increase

Trustees tabled this agenda item until the special board retreat of May 5.

Proposals Received for the Purchase of Catering Services

The Trustees awarded contracts to JAD Services Inc. dba Absolutely Everything Catering, DRJ Group, Inc. dba Ann Marie’s Catering, Bill Miller Bar-B-Q, Catering 911 SA, Champion Catering Services, AHPA Inc. dba Crumpets, JDSA LTD/Jason’s Deli, Poblanos-Las Cazuelas Catering, the RK Group/Rosemary’s Catering, Signature Catering dba O’Neills Catering, Spice Garden Enterprises LLC, Tavistock Freebirds LLC, and Texas Taco Cabana LLC providing for the purchase of Catering Services for an estimated amount of up to $436,000 annually as requested by Alamo Colleges, which includes a 12% expense reduction since 2010.

Purchase of Cardiovascular Simulation System for the St. Philip’s College Allied Health Department

The Board awarded a contract to Simbionix USA Corporation providing for the purchase of a Cardiovascular Simulation System in the amount of $119,500 as requested by the St. Philip’s College Allied Health Department.
Purchase of Healthcare Professions Training Services for the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Economic and Workforce Development

The Board, based on a five (5) year Health Professions Opportunity Grant program granted by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), awarded a contract to Methodist Healthcare System (MHS) in the amount of, not to exceed $464,000, providing for the purchase of Healthcare Professions Training Services as requested by Alamo Colleges Economic and Workforce Development.

Facilities

Second Amendment of Guaranteed Maximum Price Palo Alto College Capital Improvement Program Construction Manager-at-Risk SpawGlass Contractors, Inc. Building L (Gymnasium) Renovation and Science of Exploration Laboratory and Interpretive Center (SELIC)

The Trustees approved an amendment in the amount of an additional $460,000 to the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Construction Manager-at-Risk fee negotiated with SpawGlass Contractors, Inc. for the Renovation of Building L (Gymnasium) and Science of Exploration Laboratory and Interpretive Center (SELIC) Project at Palo Alto College. The Total Amended GMP amount is $2,222,564, representing the sum of the original GMP for $1,199,564, the first amendment for $563,000 and this second amendment for $460,000.

Purchase of Limited Site Investigation Services at San Antonio College

The Trustees approved a contract to Terracon Consultants for Building and Site Forensic Assessment IDIQ to conduct a Limited Site Investigation for Affected Soil and Groundwater at San Antonio College Property as per Terracon Proposal P90120191 as requested by the Facilities Department. Estimated cost is $115,000.

Personnel

Promotions in Academic Rank 2012-2013 Academic Year

The Trustees authorized the granting of promotion in academic rank to 50 faculty members effective Fall 2012.
Approval of Faculty for the Alamo Colleges 2012-2013 Academic Year
The Board approved faculty for the Alamo Colleges 2012-2013 academic year, who have met the faculty status criteria and authorized the Chancellor, or his designee, to issue faculty contracts, for a period of nine (9) months or twelve (12) months for faculty, or ten and one-half (10.5) months for faculty chairs, to 826 faculty, 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.

Consent Agenda — Approved

Next Regular Board Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 23, 2012.