



Frank Phillips College – Allen Campus



Advisory Council Meeting 2009-2010 1st Quarter Meeting Minutes Friday, October 16, 2009

Members attending: Charlotte Hale, Diane Thorpe, Mike Jackson, Barry Willis, Earl McKinley, Jarel Whitehead, and Lew Hunnicutt

Old Business:

Dr. Hunnicutt reported that no new leaks had occurred in the building, but that the pigeon problem was back again this year. He continues to look for a solution. He also reported that FPC has moved to a year-round schedule of classes. This means that the entire year's classes are published at the same time to allow students to plan ahead for future semesters.

New Business:

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) reaffirmation visit occurred October 5th through the 8th. On October 5th, 3 SACS team members visited the Allen Campus and were very impressed with the facilities and staff. The entire college fared very well in the reaffirmation process.

Dr. Hunnicutt discussed the year end numbers for the 2008-2009 budget. The campus came in well under budget which allowed for a request to lower the tax rate for the 2009-2010 year. The 2009-2010 budget was also discussed and the balance after 1 month was presented. The tax rate for this year was dropped to 4 cents due to higher appraisals in the county and the aforementioned remaining budget from 2008-2009.

Dr. Hunnicutt presented the Allen Campus statistics showing that the campus served over 4,700 people during the 2008-2009 year. The numbers continue to grow and the 2009-2010 year has started very well. Dr. Hunnicutt also reported that he is very proud that the Hispanic percentage of student contact hours for the fall 2009 semester is 50%. This helps bring the entire college's Hispanic percentage to 26% which means the college is eligible for Title V grant funding. The college is applying for this grant which would begin in the fall of 2010.

Dr. Hunnicutt requested advice from the members as to the amount of contingency funds that should be held for the campus. The consensus was that the campus should hold at least 25% of the operational budget as contingency funds.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Minta Wilson, Secretary