

**MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT**

November 17, 2022

The Called Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District convened at the Center for Economic Development, 3209 S. Staples, Room 106, Corpus Christi, Texas, at 11:03 a.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2022, with the following present:

**From the Board:**

Ms. Carol Scott and Mr. Rudy Garza, Jr.

**From the College:**

Dr. Mark Escamilla, President and CEO; Mr. Raul Garcia, Vice President, and CFO; Mr. Augustin Rivera, Jr., General Counsel; Ms. Jessica Alaniz, Director of Risk Management and Elections Administrator; Ms. Delia Perez, Director of CEO Office and Board Relations, and other staff and faculty.

**CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM CALL**

Chair Scott called the meeting to order with a quorum present. She requested a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Del Mar College Vision Statement.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS** – The public was given the opportunity to provide public comments (both general and specific to any agenda item).

There were no public comments.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

1. Canvassing of election returns of the November 8, 2022, Special Election  
The Del Mar College Special Election was held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.  
The Board of Regents will canvass the election returns and declare the official results.  
*(Goal 5: Workforce Development, Community Partnerships, and Advocacy)*

Mr. Augustin Rivera, Jr., General Counsel, explained that he and Ms. Jessica Alaniz, Elections Administrator, were providing information regarding the November 8, 2022, Special Election. Mr. Rivera stated pursuant to the Election Code, the Board is required to canvass and then certify the results of the election. The College was provided the official certification of vote totals from Ms. Kara Sands, Nueces County Clerk.

The election returns were specifically from the November 8, 2022 Special Election that was initiated by citizens from the Robstown Independent School District regarding possible annexation. The total for the proposition was 1,074 votes, and the total against the proposition was 1,780 votes. Also, precinct by precinct votes of the twelve precincts were

provided including votes cast, under votes, over votes, and, absentee ballots. The vote took place within the territory that petitioned to be annexed.

Mr. Rivera stated that under Texas law only two Regents are required to canvass the election returns.

Ms. Alaniz and Mr. Rivera responded to questions from the Board of Regents.

2. Discussion and possible action on Order Canvassing Special Election Returns  
(Goal 5: Workforce Development, Community Partnerships, and Advocacy)

Mr. Rivera read the proposed Order as follows:

**ORDER CANVASSING SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS**

It is hereby ORDERED by the Board of Regents (“Canvassing Authority”) of the Del Mar College District (“District”) that:

**WHEREAS**, a Special Election was called and held in and for the District on November 8, 2022, after due notice and in accordance with the laws of this State; and

**WHEREAS**, this Canvassing Authority finds that the vote in this election has in all respects been properly and lawfully returned and reported to this Canvassing Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, said vote has been carefully and properly canvassed by this Canvassing Authority and the results determined in the manner provided by law;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT, THAT:**

1. The Board of Regents officially finds and determines that said election was duly ordered; proper notice of said election was duly given; proper election officers were duly appointed prior to said election; said election was duly held; the District has complied with the Federal Voting Rights Act and the Texas Election Code; due returns of the result of said election have been made and delivered; and the Board of Regents has duly canvassed said returns, all in accordance with law and the Order calling the election.
2. The Board of Regents, from these returns, hereby finds that the following votes were cast in the Election by voters who were resident, qualified voters of the District as indicated on the election results which are attached as Exhibit “A” to this Order, the totals of which are included below:

## **PROPOSITION A**

1,074 VOTES: FOR      “APPROVING THE ANNEXATION BY THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT OF THE FOLLOWING TERRITORY: THE TERRITORY COMPRISING THE ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR JUNIOR COLLEGE PURPOSES, WHICH IS CURRENTLY SET AT A RATE OF \$0.283340, PER \$100 VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY.”

1,780 VOTES: AGAINST

3. The Board of Regents officially finds, determines, and declares the result of said election to be that the PROPOSITION A so submitted did not receive a favorable majority vote and did not carry.

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2022, AT WHICH MEETING A QUORUM MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 67.004 OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE WAS PRESENT.**

Chair Scott made a motion to approve the Order Canvassing Special Election Returns. Regent Garza seconded the motion. There was no further discussion from the Board. There were no public comments. A voice vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously 2-0, amongst Regents present, with Regents Scott and Garza in favor.

The Called Meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

MINUTES REVIEWED BY GC: /s/ARjr