After a holiday luncheon and recognitions in the Cactus Room, the Board of Trustees of the Howard County Junior College District met for a regular board meeting in the Tumbleweed Room in the Student Union Building on the Big Spring site on Monday, December 16, 2019.

The following members of the Board and District Administration were present:
- Dr. John Freeman, Chairman
- Maxwell Barr, Vice-Chairman
- Adrian Calvio, Secretary
- Patricia Bennett
- Michael Flores
- Cheryl T. Sparks, Ed.D., President
- Amy Burchett, Ed.D., Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs
- Danny Campbell, Administrative Dean Instruction, SWCD
- Pam Callan, Administrative Dean for Instruction and Student Services, San Angelo
- Brenda Claxton, Chief Fiscal Officer/Controller
- Terry Hansen, Chief Athletic and Special Projects Officer
- Jamie Rainey, Workforce and Community Development Officer, San Angelo
- Fabian Serrano, Chief Operations and Safety/Security Officer
- Steve Smith, Chief Business Officer/Internal Auditor

Others present were:
- Tammy Alexander, Director AEL
- Julie Bailey, Assistant to the President
- Kaye Barr, Guest
- Lee Bryant, Security
- Carey Burchett, Guest
- Rusty Buske, Maintenance
- Amanda Calvio, Guest
- Jesse Carrillo, Jr., Maintenance
- Eddie Casebeer, Guest
- Albert Cialone, Maintenance
- Kym Clark, Director eLearning
- Shane Clark, Maintenance
- Michael Clesch, IT
- Shirley Copeland, IT
- Charles Dykes, Maintenance
- Stacy Erwin, Dean AEL and CE
- Carolyn Freeman, Guest
- Larry Gammons, Maintenance
- Emma Garcia, Executive Assistant
- Jonathon Green, Guest
- Eric Hansen, Dean Information Technology
- Billy Hallford, Guest
- Christopher Henry, Guest
- Kenda Jones, Guest
- Sue Mercer, Guest
- Christi Mikeska, Dean Student Life
- Chris Newton, Maintenance
- Justin Nygent, Guest
- David O’Donnell, IT
- Derrick Onalla, Guest
- Leland Pecharek, Guest
- Rusty Phill, Guest
- Cindy Pinch, Big Spring Herald
- Ray Rivera, Campus Dean Career and Technical Education
- Cody Rose, Guest
- Kevin Rose, Guest
- Cindy Smith, Director Information and Marketing
Trustees held their traditional holiday luncheon in the Cactus Room. Cabinet members joined Trustees as well as the Howard College maintenance and Information Technology group that worked on the recent power outage as well as representatives from TEESCO, Oncor and BNB to recognize their above and beyond service. HEB representatives who graciously relocated the Feast of Sharing from the coliseum during the power outage and then awarded a donation of $2,500 for the college’s student food pantry also joined Trustees. Lastly, Adult Education and Literacy staff, Ray Rivera, Tammy Alexander, Debbie Van Pelt and Stacy Erwin were also included to recognize them for recent Texas Workforce Commission State awards.

Chairman Freeman called the first part of the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m., Mr. Calvio led the invocation and then Dr. Sparks recognized guests and honorees. Dr. Sparks gave a short overview of the power outage efforts and expressed thanks to all involved. She also thanked HEB representatives and recognized the AEL program.

Trustees then moved to the Board Room and considered routine matters, including minutes of the regular meeting held November 25, 2019; monthly checklist for November 2019; monthly reports of auxiliary services and personnel matters. Mr. Barr made the motion to approve the routine matters (see attached). Mrs. Bennett seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

Trustees moved to New Business. The first item under New Business was Visioning/Future Directions. Terry Hansen and Fabian Serrano shared updates on follow-up measures being taken relative to the power outage and conversation with Oncor relative to the consideration of secondary measures in case of another unfortunate electrical event in the future.

Trustees moved to the second item, Monitoring. Trustees considered a fee increase for Howard Cottage (see attached). Mrs. Bennett made a motion to approve the change. Mr. Calvio seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

Next, Dr. Sparks reviewed the board calendar and gave a brief update on upcoming events scheduled throughout the district. She shared the award of $270,160 to the San Angelo site from the San Angelo Health Foundation for equipment for the Health Professions and expansion of the Medical Assistant program. Dr. Sparks shared she had presented the Board resolutions to the Dawson County Commissioners and the Weaver Foundation in recognition for their contributions to the Lamesa site renovation.

Trustees moved to the last item, Board Education and Development. Trustees considered the Notice of Filing for Application for the Trustee Election on May 2, 2020. Mr. Flores made a motion to approve the notice. Mr. Calvio seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

Lastly, Dr. Sparks shared legislative and general updates.

There being no other business, Mr. Barr made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Calvio seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Dr. John Freeman, Chairman

Adrian Calvio, Secretary
By Julie Bailey, Recorder