

**ALVIN COLLEGE
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2026
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

The Board of Regents of Alvin College met in a regular session on the 19th day of February at 6:00 p.m., with the following members, administrative personnel, and guests present:

Regents Present

'Bel Sanchez	Chairman
Jody Droege	Vice-Chair
Darren Shelton	Regent
Jim Crumm	Regent
Yvette Reyes-Hall	Regent
Michael Hoover	Regent
Breah Knape	Regent

Regents Absent

Patty Hertenberger	Secretary
Mike Pyburn	Regent

Alvin College Administration Present

Robert Exley	President, Alvin College
Stacy Ebert	Alvin College
Beth Nelson	Alvin College
Wendy Del Bello	Alvin College
Kelly Klimpt	Alvin College

Alvin College Employees & Guests Present

Bryan Hinshaw	Lindsey Hindman	Kyle Stone
Marby McKinney	LaVonna Miller	Anita Exley
Estevan Vasquez	Leigh Ann Moore	Ben Cohen
Felicia Jimenez	Patrick Sanger	Mike Darlow
Harold Griffin	Scott Turnbough	
Hayley Lovell	Ronny Phillips	
Jessica Ranero-Ramírez	Dr. Mary Jove	
John Murray, Jr.	Theresa Rios	
John Tompkins		
Kyle Marasckin		
Laurel Joseph		

Call to Order

Chair Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Certification of Posting of Notice

Certification of the posting of the notice as listed in the agenda was acknowledged. Dr. Exley certified that a notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with Title 5, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Executive Session

For the purpose of a private consultation with its attorney when seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplating litigation, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.071; For the purpose of deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.072; Deliberate, but not limited to, the College President's goals as related to President's evaluation; appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.074.

The meeting was called back into session by Chair Sanchez at 6:52 p.m.

Pledge and Invocation

The invocation was delivered by Regent Shelton.

Citizen Inquiries

There were no citizen inquiries.

Board Comments

Chair Sanchez commented on the Pearland Chamber, Coffee with Cops, and Coffee Connections events. Regent Droege gave a farewell speech and expressed her desire for all attendees to wear pink to her last board meeting.

Committee Reports

The Facilities Committee met on February 9th. Regent Crumm provided the facilities report, which included K Building paint and landscaping, walking trails, stairwells, trees, cameras, baseball lift stations, scoreboards, light poles, concrete repairs, ADA, and Stantec contract negotiations.

The Budget and Finance Committee met on February 16th. Regent Shelton provided the report which included the budget cycle, technology to help Staff be more efficient, and return on investment to make things more seamless and productive.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Regent Knappe moved to approve the Consent Agenda that included the approval of the Minutes for the January 15, 2026, Regular Board Meeting, the Grants report, Personnel Actions for Faculty, Biology, and the resolution of payment for personnel during closure due to the winter storm. Seconded by Vice Chair Droege. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

Dr. Exley presented the President's Report.

Culinary adjunct instructor Trinidad "Machete" Gonzalez has been selected to participate in the Next Level Chef Season 5 currently running on FOX. The cooking-reality show is hosted by famed Chef Gordon Ramsay.

Seventy-four educators from all over the region learned best practices during the online conference Across the Curriculum on February 13. There were four session categories centered on innovative instruction, instructional technology, issues outside the classroom, and institutional support. In total there were 11 sessions within those categories including learning communities, project based learning, multi-modality, collaborative classroom, team-teaching, methods used in classroom, quizzing in class using technologies, small group breakdown, flipped classroom, 8-week semester, extracurricular

activities/clubs, academic support, tutoring, library, journals, publications, Study Abroad, PTK/Honors, outside vendors, relationship-building, OER, inclusive access, grant writing, disruptive technology, AI, VR, augmented reality, web-based, video-recording, podcasting, Office 365 and True Touch Screen.

There is a new collection of work currently on display in the Student Center Art Gallery. The exhibit is called Creative Borders and features work from Alvin ISD students. The exhibit is open to the public during the hours that the Student Center is open from now until February 27. There will be a closing reception on February 26 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. outside the gallery.

The college hosted events from the SkillsUSA regional competition on February 7. More than 40 students from regional high schools competed in animation, advertising, information technology, audio/video production, software programming, web design, and more.

The Library Speaker Series continues next month with musician Paul Hartwell on March 19 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Ten Band and Choir students were recently named the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Band and Choir. The three band students are Jacob Caldwell, Esteban Garcia, and Alexis Nowlin. The seven choir students are Isaiah Blythe, Ava Hanning, Andrew Martin, Jacob Mokarzel, Marielena Rangel, Morgan Townsend, and Mia Vasquez. All of them recently performed at the association's annual conference.

The Community Band will host its spring concert on March 5 in celebration of the 250 years of America. The event starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Theatre.

The Law Enforcement Academy will host an open house event, Behind the Badge, on March 6 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. to give local law enforcement officers an opportunity to learn more about the program and what it has to offer for local agencies.

The 5th Annual Walking for Wellness will be on March 25 in the campus courtyard starting at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will be open to the community for the first time this year. Participants can find out more about the mental health resources and other services available at the college.

The college pocket prairie is almost ready for Spring. There will be a planting day event on March 21 to restore the prairie with grass and wildflowers. Volunteers are requested to help with the planting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The prairies are a collaboration between Alvin College, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Native Prairies Association of Texas Pocket Prairie program, with assistance from the Foundation.

Every year, we host Discovery Day, where nearly 600 students from local high schools come to campus and learn about what the college has to offer. This year's event will be on Friday, March 20. Students will have a chance to see demonstrations, learn more about our programs, and get free food and games.

Several staff members and students have visited local schools recently for career day events. Staff members include Nursing Director Elizabeth Saucedo, Cybersecurity instructor Michael Smith, Student recruiter Misty Abraham, Neurodiagnostic Technology instructor Robyn Ketchum, Drama director Chris Tennison, Nursing instructor Amy Childs, IT director of operations Billy Allen, Pathways advisor Sarah Farley, Student Services employees, along with Board Chair 'Bel Sanchez. Some of the participants also included students from our Associate Degree Nursing program,

Polysomnography program, Licensed Vocational Nursing program, Neurodiagnostic Technology program, the Drama program, and more.

Designer Bag Bingo will take place on April 9 here at the gym. If you didn't get tickets, too bad. The event is sold out.

This report was for information only.

Student Report

Jayla Stoffer, an Alvin College BA graduate, presented the student report. This report was for information only.

Racial Profiling Report

Chief Ronny Phillips presented the racial profiling report. This report was for information only.

Annual Audit Results Report

Ben Cohen with Crowe LLP presented the audit results.

Regent Shelton moved to accept the 2024-2025 Audit. Seconded by Regent Knappe. Motion passed unanimously.

Delinquent Property Tax Report by Perdue, Brandon Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP.

Mike Darlow presented the delinquent property tax report. This report was for information only.

Consider Approval of a Resolution Additional Penalty for Tax Collection Costs

Regent Reyes-Hall moved to approve a Resolution for Additional Penalty for Tax Collection Costs from 15% to 20% effective for the 2025 tax year, and all subsequent tax years as detailed in the Resolution. Seconded by Regent Shelton. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of a Contingent Fee Contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP

Regent Hoover moved to approve a contingent fee contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP pursuant to Section 6.30, of the Tax Code, said contract being for the collection of delinquent government receivables owed to Alvin College. Seconded by Vice Chair Droege. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services

This item was removed from the agenda.

Consider Approval of the TASB Local Board Policy Update 50

Vice Chair Droege moved to amend the policy for CDB (Local) by raising the capitalization threshold from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Seconded by Regent Crumm. Motion passed unanimously.

Regent Reyes-Hall moved to adopt that the Board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Community College Services and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localize Policy Manual Update 50. Seconded by Regent Shelton. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of the Public-Private Partnership Guidelines

Regent Knappe moved to approve the Public-Private Partnership Guidelines. Seconded by Regent Crumm. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report Ending January 31, 2026

Regent Crumm moved to approve the Financial Report for January 31, 2026. Seconded by Vice Chair Droege. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.



Dr. Patty Hertenberger, Secretary



Bel Sanchez, Chair