*The meeting was called to order by President Margie Olivarez at 11:35 a.m. Roll call was taken via sign in sheet as well as zoom callers recorded.*

## Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions - Margie
2. [Treasurer’s Report - Wendi](#_Treasurer’s_Report_Presented)
3. [Minutes of April 6, 2023 Meeting – Janie](#_Appendix:_Raiders_Rojos)
	1. New Secretary – Jacqueline Vega
4. [President Updates - Margie](#_President_of_Raiders)
	1. Convocation Updates
		1. May 2023 [275 graduates]
		2. Dec 14 2023 [Frazier Pavillion]
	2. Board Retreat was held on May 13th
		1. Strategic Planning
		2. Meeting with Dr. Schovanic
	3. Hispanic Heritage Exhibit at the TTU Library – Raiders Rojos one of the organizations being exhibit.
	4. Hispanic Heritage Reception kick off event Sept 14 at Premiere Theatre @ SP Mall 5:30 – 7:30pm
5. Scholarship Application
	1. 19 awarded at Scholarship Recognition Breakfast on August 19th
6. [Dr. Jorge Iber](#_VP_for_Campus) named Interim VP for Campus Access & Engagement and will be serving as the Campus Liaison for Raiders Rojos
7. [HSS Outreach/Updates](#_Other_Business)
8. [Curt Langford Remarks](#_President_of_Alumni)
9. TTAA Away Game Watch Party
10. [Other Business](#_Other_Business)
11. Adjourn

Attendees – In Person: Janie Ramirez, Margie Olivarez, Curt Langford, Chris Richard, Jarett Lujan, Wendi Weitman, Jacqueline Vega, Jorge Iber, Juan Mojica, Mona Mojica, Perla Sosa, James Guevara, Aaron Mendoza, Ben Jaime, Uriel Moctezuma

Attendees – Zoom: Arturo Rodriguez, Rafael Gutierrez, Marian, Vince Carillo,

Treasurer’s Report Presented

Presents the local account, not including the Endowment accounts – Jarret to approve, Janie seconded

Minutes from 4/6/23 Meeting

Jarret recommend to approve, Wendi seconded

## President of Alumni Association Message – Curt Langford

* Welcome remarks
* Post-Centennial Campaign announcement
* Homecoming – Will be signing a MOU with the University for scholarships; more details coming soon; represents the first such agreement in Association history; should help with future scholarship for the Alumni Association and Raiders Rojos
* Frazier Alumni Pavilion expansion is now paid off; Alumni Association is now debt free
* TTAA Away Game Watch Party – previously was exclusive with local bar; question on whether we want to host one
	+ Tech Club one??? Janie is a member
	+ Volunteers to help: Chris Richards, Jarret

## President of Raiders Rojos Update - Margie Olivarez

* A Board Retreat was held with the newly appointed board over the summer
* Meeting between Raiders Rojos Board and President Schovanec
	+ Dr. Schovanec rededicated himself to matching RaRo’s scholarships, no limit!
	+ We will renew our scholarship efforts and would like to double our scholarships (currently at 20)
* May Convocation Update – 275 graduates
* Fall Convocation: December 14th is our next Convocation; will be at the Frazier Pavilion due to the growing size
	+ If you are interested in helping plan, looking for volunteers. Reach out to Margie or Janie if want to join
* Hispanic Heritage Exhibit at the TTU Library – begins Sept 15th; will be exhibiting RaRo’s items to recognize for Hispanic Heritage Month; in the Crosslin Room; highlights that we have given out over $500,000 in scholarships in our 24 year history; the hope is to expand the exhibit in the coming years
* Hispanic Heritage Reception – promote Hispanic serving organizations in Lubbock; networking, unity, partnership opportunities; will be at the Premiere Theater at SP Mall on 9/14 at 5:30pm
	+ Open to all members; Will send link
* Scholarships – 19 awarded at the Annual Scholarship Breakfast
	+ Ramar is our first scholarship donor for the 2023-2024 Scholarship Fund
* Hispanic Student Society (“HSS”)
	+ RaRo is looking to revive our partnership with HSS
	+ HSS Board Retreat was held at Janie’s house in August
	+ Introduce Uriel ---
		- Largest multicultural organization at TTU
		- Looking to invite alumni back, find ways to partner and engage
		- Upcoming Events: El Grito may be on hold due to SB17; has been doing volunteer events and fundraisers over the past 2 weeks

## VP for Campus Access & Engagement - Dr. Jorge Iber

Newly appointed

Will serve as the Campus Liasion for Raiders Rojos

* Introduction
* With SB17, will still continue to serve all students; RaRo has become a model for what other affinity groups can do; the size of Latinos has grown so much over the past decades, we need to continue to provide all the services we can
* Looking for stories about students who have come to Tech and have moved on to be successful
* Will volunteer to help with Convocation

## Other Business

* Margie, President
	+ If you have volunteer hours, please log them as part of the [Centennial Volunteer Drive](https://100.ttu.edu/volunteer/)
* Jarret Lujan, President Elect
	+ National Hispanic Serving Institutions Week is coming up
	+ Will circulate the week’s events; highly encourage RaRo to attend the Community Connection luncheon on Tuesday; RSVP required
	+ Hashtag for the events #HSIServe
	+ Would like to do a RaRo cross-event next year
* Jacqueline
	+ Social Media links – like/follow
		- Instagram and TikTok: RaidersRojosTTU
		- Facebook: Raiders Rojos Alumni Network
	+ Gmail account – all communications should come from this email going forward raidersrojosttu@gmail.com
	+ Linktree: linktr.ee/raidersrojosttu
	+ Would like to propose a join session with affinity alumni networks to info share
* Uriel
	+ Guest Speaker events at their General Meetings every other week
	+ If you would like to speak with the members of HSS about your company/profession, reach out to Uriel

NEXT NETWORK MEETING -OCTOBER 26, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 12:23pm

## Appendix: Raiders Rojos Minutes for 4/6/23 Merket Alumni Center 11:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Margie Olivarez at 11:45 a.m. Roll call was taken via sign in sheet as well as zoom callers recorded.

Margie welcomed all attendees and Members and guests present introduced themselves.

The Treasurer’s reports for Nov 22 and Feb 23 meetings were submitted by Treasurer, Wendi Weitman. Both were approved by the membership.

The minutes for Feb 3, 2023 meeting were submitted by Britton Gregg, secretary. It was approved by the membership. This was her final submission as Britton resigned due to work conflicts. Janie Ramirez recorded the minutes for the April 6 meeting.

President Olivarez submitted a slate of new board members for the membership to vote upon and the following individuals were approved:

President-elect – Dr. Jarrett Lujan, Director for HSI Initiatives for the university.

Vice President – Rafael Gutierrez II from Omaha Nebraska

Secretary – Jacqueline Vega, City Bank, Lubbock12

Campus Liaison – Jade Tovar-Silva, Asst VP for former Division of Institutional Diversity, Equity and Engagement, now called the Campus Access & Engagement Division

Executive Programs Director – Janie Landin Ramirez, Retired Educator

The network by-laws revised by the board to meet new criteria were submitted for ratification by the membership and voted upon. The revised by-laws are posted on the network website.

Details about the May 11, 2023 Graduation Convocation were discussed. On-line registration is on going. Event will be held at the Merket Alumni Center at 6:30 p.m. Volunteers to help set up are needed. Janie will follow up.

Janie announced that arrangements had been made with TTAA marketing to create a video showcasing the Lubbock High School students making the stoles. It was agreed that a short video under 3 minutes be shown at the Convocation.

Margie announced that a retreat for the board would be held on May 13 at the Merket from 8-11 a.m. that would serve as an orientation for the new board members.

The scholarship application is online on website and will close on July 15. The recognition for donors and recipients will be held on August 19 at 8:00 a.m. at the Merket. Calendar for 2023-2024 is also updated on the website. The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. Next network meeting will be on Sept 7.