

DATE: June 16, 2020

TO: Victoria College

FROM: V. Bland Proctor, Chair, Victoria College Board of Trustees

RE: Announcement of Sole Finalist for Victoria College President

I am pleased to inform you that Victoria College's Board of Trustees has named Dr. Jennifer Kent as the sole finalist for the position of President of Victoria College. Dr. Kent's appointment as President is dependent on a successful negotiation of a contract and the Board's final approval of the contract after a 21-day waiting period required by state law. The Board is expected to approve the final contract at its July meeting.

The search process brought forth many highly qualified candidates, and we thank them all. In the end, we saw that Victoria College's needs were in alignment with the qualities exhibited by Dr. Kent's application materials and interviews. We were extremely impressed by her unique educational background and knowledge of the current challenges and opportunities facing Victoria College. Her high energy and skillset relating to student success, professional development, and collaborative leadership will build upon the successes of Dr. David Hinds and take Victoria College into its second century.

Dr. Kent has served in education for 23 years. She earned a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership from Texas A&M University-Kingsville, a Master of Education in Educational Administration from the University of North Texas, and a Bachelor of Arts in English from Tarleton State University. A first-generation college student in her family, Dr. Kent previously served as principal of Early High School before accepting her current position at Ranger College in 2017. She is familiar with the Crossroads area, as she started her career in education as a teacher and coach at Calhoun High School in Port Lavaca.

As Victoria College approaches its 100th year of serving our region, we are confident that the extensive and thorough search process – involving input and deliberation from a wide range of constituents and stakeholders – allowed us to select the person who we believe is best suited to serve as the sixth president of Victoria College. On behalf of VC's Board of Trustees, thank you to the Presidential Search Committee and the entire Victoria College community for your participation throughout the search process.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the presidential search process, please feel free to reach out to our ACCT Search Consultants:

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