



## SEWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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### Mein joins SCCC Board of Trustees

#### *Unexpired term vacated by Sharon Hobble runs through 2017*

The Seward County Community College Board of Trustees welcomed its newest member Casey Mein at the monthly meeting on Thursday. Mein was sworn in before the board met, and will complete the unexpired term of former trustee Sharon Hobble, who resigned in December.

“We had some good candidates that interviewed, and made the decision that Casey would be a good fit,” from Chairman Ron Oliver. “We’re looking forward to working with him, and think he’ll do us an excellent job.”

Mein, a financial advisor with Wells Fargo Advisors, is a lifelong resident of Southwest Kansas and longtime SCCC supporter.

“I grew up here, graduated from Liberal High School, and spent two years at a community college,” Mein said. “I know how instrumental those two years were for me.” After graduation from Dodge City Community College and Kansas State University, Mein made his way back to Liberal, where he met his wife, Nadine. At the time she was a student at SCCC and Saints tennis recruit.

“Seward is actually how we got to know each other,” Mein said. “Over the years, we’ve hosted booster kids for the college, and Nadine has served as interim coach.” The Meins have three children, daughters Corey and Sarah, and son Ryan. The college is one of those things that has been part of our family.”

Mein said that experience reflects the role of the college in the community as a whole.

“It aligns with the people who live here, and what’s happening in the community,” he said. Over the past two decades, Mein has played an active role in the Liberal community, serving on the Liberal Chamber of Commerce, Joint Economic Development Council, Lions Club, Liberal Country Club, Southwest Aquatics Team board, and the Eisenhower School Site Council.

Oliver said Mein’s experience illustrates the importance of close ties between SCCC and the people the college serves.

“It was hard to see Sharon leave, and we think it’s important to keep the board full with a wide variety of people from across the Seward County, different occupations, different viewpoints,” he said. “We’re excited to get some new blood in there. Casey will bring a new perspective, and that’s good.”

The unexpired term position that Mein fills will complete at the end of 2017, and be part of the 2018 election cycle.

Cutline: New Seward County Community College trustee Casey Mein is sworn in by SCCC executive assistant Lois Magner prior to the board’s regular monthly meeting Thursday night, Jan. 12.