

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BLINN COLLEGE**

**Student Center Building – Board Dining Room
Blinn College, 1007 Walter Schwartz Way (formally West Second Street)
Brenham, Texas**

Special Retreat Meeting, Tuesday, September 23, 2008

The Board of Trustees convened at 6 p.m. in the Student Center with the following members present: Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura, President, presiding; Mr. Don Jones, Secretary; Dr. Henry J. Boehm, Jr., Mr. L.J. Lacina, Jr. and Mr. Norwood Lange.

Board members not present: Mr. Leon Toubin, Vice President and Mr. Steve M. Westbrook.

Members of the college staff in attendance were: Dr. Daniel J. Holt, President and Ms. Cathy M. Boeker, Executive Administrator of External Affairs.

Also registered as in attendance were: Mr. Alan Nieschwietz, *Brenham Banner-Press*.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Atwood Kenjura, President of the Board.

ITEM 1. ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no administrative announcements.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Boehm thanked Dr. Holt for his presentation, earlier that day, about Blinn College to the Brenham Rotary Club.

ITEM 3. DISCUSSION OF VISION AND PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF THE COLLEGE

Dr. Holt discussed the strategic planning process that the college is beginning and the taskforce comprised of faculty, staff and administrators who have been asked to help with this process. The taskforce will bring forward insight and recommendations from which the President and Board of Trustees will develop a vision and revise the current mission of the college.

ITEM 4. OPEN DISCUSSION ON PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT TOPICS

The Board engaged in an informal discussion of various topics including: endowment funds (a copy of the lists scholarships and endowments is attached and made a part of these *Minutes*); various scholarships; current athletic and activity programs and their scholarship requirements; possible future athletic programs; academic standards for students; Brenham Campus enrollment; employment contracts for administration; status of sales tax revenue from the Schulenburg Economic Development Corporation; and a workforce training request from BAE company in Sealy.

ITEM 5. FACILITIES PLANNING

Dr. Holt discussed preliminary plans for proposed renovations to the administration building and the College Park Strip Center on the Bryan campus (copies of the proposed renovation plans are attached and made a part of these *Minutes*). A general discussion took place about the renovation plans, the number of additional students that could be accommodated as a result, method of construction; as well as a temporary parking lot and future expansion on the Bryan campus.

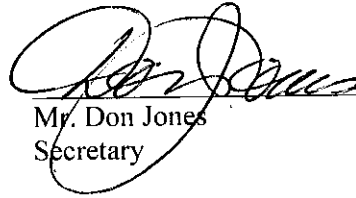
Additionally, the Board discussed the need for increased housing on the Brenham campus and the increasing cost of the proposed Technical Education Center in Brenham.

ITEM 6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.



Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura
President



Mr. Don Jones
Secretary