MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BLINN COLLEGE

Board Room Third Floor, Administration Building Blinn College, 802 Green Street Brenham, Texas

Special Meeting, Tuesday, September 9, 2008, 12 p.m.

The Board of Trustees convened at 12:00 p.m. in the Board Room with the following members present: Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura, President, presiding; Dr. Henry J. Boehm, Jr., Mr. L.J. Lacina, Jr. and Mr. Norwood Lange.

Board members not present: Mr. Leon B. Toubin, Vice President; Mr. Don Jones, Secretary and Mr. Steve Westbrook.

Members of the college staff in attendance were: Dr. Daniel J. Holt, President; Dr. John D. Harris, Dr. Debra R. LaCour and Dr. Van Miller, Vice Presidents; Ms. Cathy Boeker, Executive Administrator of External Affairs; Mr. Richard O'Malley and Dr. Don Stewart.

Also registered as in attendance were: Mr. Willy Dilworth, Washington County Appraisal District and Mr. Alan Nieschwietz, *Brenham Banner-Press*.

ITEM 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Kenjura.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ITEM 3. SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL IN THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR BY 7.91 PERCENT

The public hearing was opened at 12:02 p.m. No one from the audience offered any comments or asked any questions. Mr. Kenjura and Dr. Boehm both made statements clarifying and re-emphasizing the Board's position on the proposed tax rate.

The public hearing was closed at 12:05 p.m.

ITEM 4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR VOTE TO ADOPT PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR 2008 THAT WOULD INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL IN THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR BY 7.91 PERCENT

Mr. Kenjura announced that the vote on the proposed tax rate will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 16, 2008, in the Board Room at 802 Green Street in Brenham, Texas.

ITEM 5. REVIEW AND ACTION TO SET A DATE FOR BOARD RETREAT

Mr. Kenjura briefly discussed the need for a Board retreat. Several dates were discussed as possibilities.

On a motion by Dr. Boehm, seconded by Mr. Lange, the Board voted to set September 23, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. as the date and time for a Board retreat and to set September 24, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. as an alternate.

ITEM 6. ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Holt announced the following:

- a. The Ronnie Renfrow Big Band performance at the W.W. O'Donnell Center will be held, September 11, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.
- b. Washington County Fair Parade will be on September 13, 2008 at 10 a.m.
- c. Final enrollment numbers will be released September 10, 2008 with a projected increase of just over 1,000
- d. Training opportunities for BAE Systems in Sealy, Texas

ITEM 7. CLOSED SESSION

- (A) Evaluation and Employment of Personnel (Gov't. Code, Sec. 551.074)
- (B) Discussion of Possible Purchase, Exchange or Lease of Real Property in Brenham, Bryan and Schulenburg (Gov't. Code, Sec. 551.072)
- (C) Consultation with Attorney Relative to Pending or Contemplated Litigation (Gov't. Code, Sec. 551.071)

The public session was recessed at 12:16 p.m.

The public session was reconvened at 12:25 p.m.

ITEM 8. REVIEW AND ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- (A) Review and Action on Faculty and Professional Staff Contracts
- (B) Review and Action to Purchase, Exchange or Lease Real Property in Brenham, Bryan and Schulenburg
- (C) Consultation with Attorney Relative to Pending or Contemplated Litigation (Gov't. Code, Sec. 551.071)

On a motion by Dr. Boehm, seconded by Mr. Lacina, the Board voted to employ new faculty and professional staff on one-year contracts for the 2008-09 school year (a copy of the list of persons employed is attached and made a part of these *Minutes*).

ITEM 9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Lange, seconded by Mr. Lacina, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura

President

Mr. Don Jone

Secretary