MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BLINN COLLEGE

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

Special Meeting, Tuesday, August 3, 2010, 12:00 p.m.

The Board of Trustees convened at 12:06 p.m. in the Board Room with the following members present: Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura, President, presiding; Mr. Leon B. Toubin, Vice President; Dr. Henry J. Boehm, Jr., Mr. Douglas R. Borchardt, Mr. L.J. Lacina, Jr., and Mr. Norwood Lange.

Board members not present: Mr. Steve M. Westbrook, Secretary.

Members of the College staff in attendance were: Dr. Robert Brick, Dr. John D. Harris, Dr. Debra R. LaCour, and Dr. Van Miller, Vice Presidents; Ms. Cathy Boeker, Executive Administrator of External Affairs; Ms. Leslie Ellis, Mr. Richard O'Malley, Mr. Joe Al Picone, Mr. Jeff Tilley, and Ms. Ann Weir.

Also registered as in attendance were: Mr. Bob Ambrose and Mr. Charles Poropatic, Ambrose and House HADP; 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.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- ITEM 3. REVIEW AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATION TO SEEK AND AWARD PROPOSALS FOR THE GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THE STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT
- ITEM 4. REVIEW AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATION TO SEEK AND AWARD PROPOSALS FOR THE GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMPLEX

On a motion by Mr. Lacina, seconded by Mr. Lange, the Board voted to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: ITEM 3** - to Authorize the Administration to Seek and Award Proposals for the Geotechnical Services Related to the Construction Phase of the Student Housing Project; and **ITEM 4** - to Authorize the Administration to Seek and Award Proposals

for the Geotechnical Services Related to the Construction Phase of the Agricultural Complex as presented by the Administration.

ACTION ITEM:

ITEM 5. REVIEW AND ACTION TO AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 300 BED STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT

Mr. O'Malley reviewed the bid process (a copy of the bid tabulation sheet is attached and made a part of these *Minutes*). The bids ranged from approximately \$9.9 million to \$12 million. Mr. O'Malley recommended to award the bid to the low bidder, Collier Construction, located in Brenham, Texas, for \$9,926,000,00. The Board reviewed the Bid Tabulation sheet and asked questions about the specifics of the bid. Mr. O'Malley stated that landscaping is not included. The Board inquired about the project history of Collier Construction with Blinn. The last project Collier Construction completed for Blinn College was the A.W. Hodde Jr., Technical Education Center building. The anticipated construction start date is next week. Mr. O'Malley responded to questions from the Board related to upcoming construction projects. Mr. Toubin expressed a desire to have someone routinely monitoring the Quality Control of Construction.

On a motion by Dr. Boehm, seconded by Mr. Lacina, the Board voted to Award a Construction Contract for the 300 Bed Student Housing Project to Collier Construction for \$9,926,000.00 as presented by the Administration.

NON-ACTION ITEM:

ITEM 6. RECESS FOR CLOSED SESSION (AS AUTHORIZED BY GOV'T. CODE, SEC. 551.101)

The public was recessed for a closed session at 12:19 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

ITEM 7. CLOSED SESSION:

(A) EVALUATION AND EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL (GOV'T. CODE, SEC. 551.074)

ITEM 8. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

The public session was reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS:

ITEM 9. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

(A) REVIEW AND ACTION ON FACULTY AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF CONTRACTS

On a motion by Dr. Boehm, seconded by Mr. Borchardt, the Board voted to employ new Faculty and Professional Staff on one-year contracts for the 2010-2011 school year (a copy of the list of persons employed is attached and made a part of these *Minutes*).

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Lange, seconded by Mr. Lacina, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura

President

Mr. Steve M. Westbrook

Secretary