

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BLINN COLLEGE**

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

**Special Meeting, Monday, September 29, 2014, 4:00 p.m.**

The Board of Trustees convened at 4:01 p.m. in the Board Room with the following members present: Mr. Douglas R. Borchardt, President, presiding; Mr. Atwood Kenjura, Vice President; Mr. David Sommer, Secretary; Mrs. Theodora "Teddy" V. Boehm; Mrs. Carolyn D. Miller, CPA; Mr. Richard Powell and Mr. Leon B. Toubin.

Board members not present: none.

Members of the College staff in attendance were: Dr. Harold Nolte, District President; Dr. Sylvia McMullen, President, Brazos County Campuses; Ms. Kelli Shomaker, Senior Vice President, Finance and Administrative Services/CFO; Dr. Dennis Crowson, Senior Vice President, Student Services; Ms. Cathy Boeker, Associate Vice President, Government & Public Affairs; Mr. Mark Bernier; Mr. Richard Bray; Ms. Becky Krebs; Mr. Richard O'Malley and Mr. Jeff Tilley.

Also registered as in attendance were: Mr. Kyle Cunningham, Brenham Banner-Press; Mr. Sam Peshek, The Eagle and Mr. Mark Whitehead, KWHI

**ITEM 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Borchardt. The prayer was given by Mr. Sommer and the pledge was led by Mr. Sommer.

Dr. Nolte read his letter of retirement from Blinn College effective January 31, 2015 (a copy of the letter is attached and made a part of these *Minutes*). Mr. Borchardt thanked Dr. Nolte for his service to Blinn College and wished him well in future endeavors. Mr. Kenjura also thanked Dr. Nolte for his contributions to Blinn College. Mr. Sommer appreciated Dr. Nolte's willingness to work with the Board through the transition. Mrs. Miller thanked Dr. Nolte for his leadership in the SACS reaffirmation. Mr. Toubin also thanked Dr. Nolte for his service.

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

The public was recessed for closed session at 4:09 p.m.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**ITEM 2. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATION TO NEGOTIATE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT(S) WITH ARKITEX STUDIO, INC. FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES RELATED TO THE BLINN COLLEGE - BRYAN CAMPUS 2015 CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS**

Mr. O'Malley reviewed the need to negotiate a professional services agreement with Arkitek Studio, Inc., for design and construction phase services related to the 2015 Bryan Campus Improvements. He responded to questions from the Board.

On a motion my Mr. Toubin, seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Board voted to authorize the administration to negotiate a professional service agreement(s) with Arkitex Studio, Inc., for design and construction phase services related to the Blinn College Bryan Campus 2015 campus improvements as presented.

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**CLOSED SESSION:**

**ITEM 3. CLOSED SESSION:**

- (A) **CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY (GOV'T. CODE, SEC.551.071)**
  - i. **CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING AGENDA MATTERS ON WHICH THE ATTORNEY'S DUTY TO THE COLLEGE UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT CLEARLY CONFLICT WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS LAWS**
- (B) **PERSONNEL MATTERS (GOV'T. CODE, SEC. 551.074)**
  - i. **DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, OR DUTIES OF THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT**

**ITEM 4. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

The public session was reconvened at 5:08 p.m.

**ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS:**

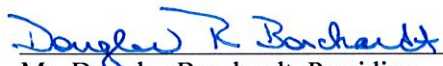
**ITEM 5. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

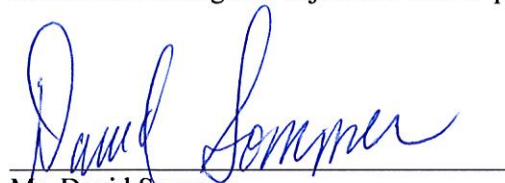
- (A) **POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S EMPLOYMENT**

On a motion by Mrs. Boehm, seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Board voted to accept Dr. Nolte's retirement. Mr. Powell abstained. Mr. Kenjura was no longer present and did not vote.

**ITEM 6. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Mr. Sommer, seconded by Mrs. Boehm, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

  
 Mr. Douglas Borchardt, Presiding  
 President

  
 Mr. David Sommer  
 Secretary