

Blinn College
Campus Carry Meeting
11:30 am – 1:30 pm
June 14, 2016

Attendees: (alpha order by last name)

Joe Baumann, Dean of Institutional Research and Effectiveness
Cathy Boeker, AVP
Richard Bray, Associate Director of Marketing and Communications
Karen Buck, AVP of Instruction
Jimmy Byrd, Interim Executive Director, Brazos County Campuses
Laurie Clark, Special Assistant to the EVP/General Counsel
Dennis Crowson, Senior VP of Student Services
Ted Hajovsky, Legal Counsel
Bill May, Captain, Blinn College Police, Brazos County Campuses
Jeff Tilley, Director of Marketing and Communications
Mel Waxler, EVP/General Counsel
Craig Wiesepape, Chief, Blinn College Police

Agenda

- I. Purpose of today's meeting
- II. Suggestions for members of Campus Carry Task Force
 - a. Faculty
 - b. Staff
 - c. Students

Suggested members: (33 suggested members, not counting potential external/community members)

Laurie Clark
Ted Hajovsky
Mel Waxler
Executive Council members: Mary Hensley, Kelli Shomaker, Mel Waxler, Jimmy Byrd,
Karen Buck, Laurie Clark, Dennis Crowson
Campus Directors: Lisa Caton, Becky Garlick, Jimmy Byrd
Students: SGA Presidents from each campus (4)
Smily Flores
Michael Hutton
Megan Costanza
Faculty Senate President
Division Leadership Council President
Academic Deans (1-2)
Faculty: list of faculty interested in topic has been provided by deans (1 per division?)
Staff Council representative
James Reed
Richard Bray

Craig Wiesepepe
Bill May
Emergency Management Coordinator (vacant)
Shawn Welch
Kim Boetger
External members: Jim Kolkhorst; representatives from Schulenburg and Sealy Police
Departments

III. Review of proposed timeline

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IV. Review of student population

See Page 4 for students

See Page 5 for employees

V. Discussion of data gathering methods for campus constituencies

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VI. Communication

- a. Memo to faculty
- b. Presentation at Fall Faculty Convocation
- c. Campus Carry website
- d. FAQs on website
- e. Communication re: process; invitation to participate for faculty and staff
- f. Applicable laws as of September, 2016
- g. Signage
 - i. September, 2016
 - ii. September, 2017

VII. Review of plans from other colleges/universities

VIII. Next meeting date, time, location

Next meetings:

Thursday, July 14, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Week of July 25 (esp. 7/25-28)

**Blinn College
Campus Carry Task Force
Proposed Timeline**

Activity	Timeline
Task force formed to gather input from campus constituencies	By September, 2016
Input gathering via focus groups, surveys, and town hall meetings	September to December, 2016
Task force provides input to District President/CEO regarding reasonable rules for restricted zones on campus	By April, 2017
District President/CEO establishes reasonable rules	By June, 2017
Rules reviewed by General Counsel	By June, 2017
Rules go to Board of Trustees for review and possible amendment	By July, 2017
Rules go into effect	By August, 2017
Rules submitted to State Legislature for review, including explanation of why the College adopted the rules	By September, 2017

Revisions to Timeline Based on June 14 Discussion

Activity	Timeline
Task force formed to gather input from campus constituencies	By August, 2016
Presentation at Fall Faculty Convocation	August 23, 2016
Input gathering via focus groups, surveys, and town hall meetings	September to December, 2016
Task force provides input to District President/CEO regarding reasonable rules for restricted zones on campus	By February, 2017
District President/CEO establishes reasonable rules	By March, 2017
Rules reviewed by General Counsel	By March, 2017
Rules go to Board of Trustees for review and possible amendment	By May, 2017
Review of changes to legislation	June, 2017
Bring any needed changes to Board for approval	By July, 2017
Rules go into effect	By August, 2017
Rules submitted to State Legislature for review, including explanation of why the College adopted the rules	By September, 2017

**Blinn College
Campus Carry Task Force
Review of Student Population**

Number of Blinn College Students Eligible to Apply for Concealed Handgun License, Fall 2015

Campus	Number of students 21 and over
Brenham Campus	570
Brenham Students in Campus Housing	91
Bryan Campus	4,573
Schulenburg Campus	87
Sealy Campus	55
Total	5,354

According to state records, approximately 2.7% of eligible Texas citizens hold a Concealed Handgun License. If we assume this percentage holds for our students, we would expect the following numbers of students to be CHL holders:

Projected Number of Concealed Handgun License Holders Among Blinn College Students

Campus	Projected CHL Holders¹
Brenham Campus	15
Brenham Students in Campus Housing	2
Bryan Campus	123
Schulenburg Campus	2
Sealy Campus	1
Total	144

¹ These counts are **projections only** based on the statewide percentage of eligible Texas citizens who are CHL holders.

**Blinn College
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Review of Employee Population**

Number of Blinn College Employees by Campus, Spring 2016

Campus	Number of employees
Brenham Campus	
Full Time	311
Part Time	120
Bryan Campus	
Full Time	461
Part Time	342
Schulenburg Campus	
Full Time	13
Part Time	19
Sealy Campus	
Full Time	3
Part Time	12
Museum	
Full Time	5
Part Time	10
Total	1,296

Projected Number of Concealed Handgun License Holders Among Blinn College Employees

Campus	Projected CHL Holders
Brenham Campus	
Full Time	8
Part Time	3
Bryan Campus	
Full Time	12
Part Time	9
Schulenburg Campus	
Full Time	0
Part Time	1
Sealy Campus	
Full Time	0
Part Time	0
Museum	
Full Time	0
Part Time	0
Total	35

**Blinn College
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Data Gathering Methods**

The 84th Legislature passed Senate Bill 11, which expands the areas on public university campuses where those with licenses may carry concealed handguns. The presidents or chief executive officers of public institutions of higher education have been given authority to establish reasonable rules, regulations, or other provisions regarding the carrying of concealed handguns by license holders after consulting with **students, staff, and faculty** of the institution regarding **the nature of the student population, specific safety considerations, and the uniqueness of the campus environment**.

While there is some discretion in establishing the rules and regulations, there are also limitations. These rules and regulations may not generally prohibit license holders from carrying concealed handguns on campus. Additionally, Government Code 411.209 established civil penalties for wrongful exclusion of concealed handgun license holders if a state agency prohibits a license holder from carrying a concealed handgun in a location not prohibited by Texas Penal Code §46.03 or §46.035.

Method	Constituency			Other?
	Students	Faculty	Staff	
Survey	X	X	X	
Focus Group	X (SGA)	X	X (Staff Council)	
Town Hall Meeting				
Interview				Board members? Mayors? Judges? ISD Superintendents?
Other _____ _____ _____				

- Use social media to inform about opportunities to participate
- Monitor social media for reactions etc.