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### **SUBJECT:**

Authorization for the Chancellor of the Blinn College District to Negotiate Legal Agreements with The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) and Other Parties as Necessary, Related to the Establishment of Blinn College Facilities on the RELLIS Campus and Other Possible Sites in Brazos County for Its Programs, Including but Not Limited to, Veterinary Technology, Therapeutics Manufacturing, and Dental Hygiene

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board authorize the Chancellor of the Blinn College District (1) to negotiate legal agreements with The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) and other parties as necessary, related to the establishment of Blinn College Facilities on the RELLIS Campus and other possible sites in Brazos County for its programs, including but not limited to, Veterinary Technology, Therapeutics Manufacturing, and Dental Hygiene; and (2) to return to the Board for review and approval of any such agreements.

### **RATIONALE:**

The review and consideration of various options for the establishment of certain current facilities will produce operational efficiencies and possible financial savings in the following ways, at a minimum:

- Promotes the optimization of current campus physical spaces or building assets.
- Provides opportunities for institutional collaboration with both RELLIS (colleges/universities/agencies) and community partners, related to physical proximities.
- Affords the College an opportunity to incorporate new or innovative resources/equipment.
- Allows for additional course offerings, possible expansion, new program creation, and increased recruitment in high-value student programs with aesthetically pleasing physical environments.

# **BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Costs for facility purchases, remodeling, and/or lease agreements will vary depending on the options as they develop.

# **RESOURCE PERSONNEL:**

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Mr. John Barton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Exec. Dir. of The RELLIS Campus, TAMUS

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

N/A

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