

MINUTES
Board of Trustees of Blinn College District
Board Room, Third Floor, Administration Building
Blinn-Brenham Campus, 802 Green Street, Brenham, Texas

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 5:30 P.M.

The Board of Trustees of Blinn College District held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2020, in the Board Room, located on the third floor of the Administration Building at 802 Green Street, Brenham, Texas, 77833. In accordance with the suspended proceedings of the Open Meetings Act under Sections 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, public access to this meeting was located in Rooms 2 and 3 of the Blinn College District Student Center located at 651 Blinn Boulevard, Brenham, Texas.

Trustees present: Mr. Charles Moser, Board Chair; Mr. Jim Kolkhorst, Vice Chair; Ms. Teddy Boehm, Secretary; Dr. Dennis Crowson; Mr. Douglas Borchardt; Mr. Randy Wells; and Ms. Rebecca Ehlert.

Trustees absent: None.

1. Board Chair Mr. Charles Moser called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and read the following information into the Minutes:

The Texas Government Code permits this Board of Trustees to meet in a closed executive session for the following reasons, among others:

To consult with the College District's attorneys on matters deemed privileged by the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct or Government Code § 551.071,

To deliberate regarding real property, under § 551.072; a prospective gift, under § 551.073; certain personnel matters, under § 551.074; security devices or security audits, under § 551.076; and economic development negotiations, under § 551.087.

If the Board meets in closed session, we will announce the particular section under which we will be doing so prior to initiating the closed portion of the meeting.

2. Invocation and Pledge to the American and Texas Flags

Mr. Charles Moser introduced Trustee Mr. Randy Wells, who led the Trustees and meeting attendants in the invocation. Mr. Charles Moser introduced Trustee Ms. Teddy Boehm, who led the group in the pledges to the American and Texas Flags.

3. Public Comment:

No one signed up to offer public comment.

4. Discussion and Possible Action Item:

- A) Appointment of Board Member to Fill the Unexpired Term of Precinct 4 Trustee Position

Mr. Charles Moser introduced Ms. Rebecca Ehlert. The Board discussed this agenda item and after a proper nomination from Ms. Teddy Boehm, seconded by Mr. Dennis Crowson, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Rebecca Ehlert to the Blinn College District Board of Trustees.

5. Swearing-In of Newly Appointed Board Member

Mr. Moser introduced Mr. Milton Tate, Jr., Mayor of the City of Brenham, to swear in Ms. Rebecca Ehlert as a member of the Blinn College District Board of Trustees. Mr. Tate administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Ehlert.

6. Break

The Board took a break at 5:38 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 5:47 p.m.

7. Reports

- A) Chancellor's Administrative Report

Dr. Hensley updated the Board on the following:

- The Bellweather Award Nomination;
- The First Semester of Esports;
- The Associates Degree Nursing Program's 100% pass rate on state exams;
- Facilities update:
 - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Innovation Building on the Blinn-Brenham Campus;

Dr. Hensley thanked the Washington County Chamber of Commerce for providing dinner for the meeting.

Dr. Hensley's presentation is attached hereto and made a part of these *Minutes*.

- B) Presentation of Financial Statement Package for the Period Ended October 31, 2020

Mr. Richard Cervantes, Vice Chancellor, Business and Finance/CFO, reviewed highlights from the financial package for the period ending September 30, 2020. Mr. Cervantes reviewed the College District's cash position, revenues and expenses, major projects, year-to-date comparisons, CARES Act funds, and bond funds. He responded to questions from the Board.

A copy of the financial package and presentation are attached hereto and made a part of these *Minutes*.

8. Consent Items

After a proper motion from Mr. Randy Wells, seconded by Mr. Jim Kolkhorst, the Board unanimously approved the following consent agenda items:

- A) Approval of Minutes for the October 20, 2020, Board Workshop
- B) Approval of Minutes for the October 20, 2020, Regular Meeting
- C) Approval of Proposed Amendments to CAI(LOCAL)
- D) Approval of Proposed Amendments to CAIA(LOCAL)
- F) Approval of Proposed Amendments to CAM(LOCAL)
- G) Approval of Proposed Amendments to DGC(LOCAL)
- H) Approval of Proposed Amendments to DIAA(LOCAL)
- I) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FFDA(LOCAL)
- J) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FI(LOCAL)
- K) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FLA(LOCAL)
- L) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FLB(LOCAL)
- M) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FLBE(LOCAL)
- N) Approval of Proposed Amendments to FMA(LOCAL)
- O) Authorization for the Administration to Negotiate and Execute a Contract for the Professional Truck Driving Training Program at the Blinn-RELLIS Campus
- P) Authorization for the Administration to Negotiate and Execute an Easement with Bryan Texas Utilities on the Blinn-Bryan Campus

Trustee Rebecca Elhlert abstained from voting on agenda item 8O in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 61.084.

9. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- A) Authorization for the Administration to Negotiate and Execute Contracts for the Purchase of Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment for the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Innovation Building on the Blinn-Brenham Campus

Mr. Moser invited Mr. Richard Cervantes to present and discuss this agenda item to the Board. Mr. Cervantes introduced Mr. Mark Feldhake, Project Director, to present this agenda item and respond to questions from the Board.

After a proper motion from Mr. Randy Wells, seconded by Ms. Teddy Boehm, the Board

unanimously approved this agenda item.

Trustee Rebecca Ehlert abstained from voting on this agenda item in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 61.084.

B) Approval of Policy Priorities for the 87th Session of the Texas Legislature

Mr. Moser invited Mr. Leighton Schubert, Executive Vice Chancellor, to present and discuss this agenda item to the Board and respond to questions from the Board.

After a proper motion from Mr. Jim Kolkhorst, seconded by Ms. Rebecca Ehlert, the Board unanimously approved this agenda item.

Trustee Douglas Borchardt abstained from voting on this agenda item.

10. The Board went into closed session under § 551.071 of the Texas Government Code at 6:41 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 7:19 P.M.

11. After a proper motion from, Mr. Dennis Crowson, seconded by Ms. Rebecca Ehlert, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M.

Mr. Charles Moser
Board Chair

Ms. Theodora V. Boehm
Secretary