

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BLINN COLLEGE**

**Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site
Star of the Republic Museum, 23200 Park Road 12
Washington, Texas 77880**

Special Retreat Meeting, Wednesday, June 11, 2008, 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Trustees convened at 6:12 p.m. at the Star of the Republic Museum with the following members present: Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura, President, presiding; Mr. Leon Toubin, Vice President; Mr. Don Jones, Secretary; Dr. Henry J. Boehm, Jr., Mr. L.J. Lacina, Jr. and Mr. Steve M. Westbrook.

Board members not present: Mr. Norwood Lange.

Members of the college staff in attendance were: Dr. Daniel J. Holt, President; Ms. Cathy M. Boeker, Executive Administrator of External Affairs; and Mr. Houston McGaugh, Director, Star of the Republic Museum.

Also registered as in attendance were: Mr. Alan Nieschwietz, *Brenham Banner-Press*.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Atwood Kenjura, President of the Board.

ITEM 1. ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no administrative announcements.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

ITEM 3. REPORT ON THE STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

Mr. Houston McGaugh, Director of the Star of the Republic Museum, thanked the Board for their support of the museum and announced that the self-study for the American Association of Museums accreditation reaffirmation process has been submitted and that a site visit was expected in late fall. Mr. McGaugh also reviewed upcoming activities and projects for the museum. Mr. Kenjura expressed a desire to hold additional Board meetings at the museum in an effort to make the meetings more convenient for the Bryan campus employees and community to attend.

ITEM 4. OPEN DISCUSSION ON PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT TOPICS

The Board engaged in an informal discussion of various topics including: Board meeting structure; Board responsibilities; need for vision and strategic plan (**enclosure**); need for space utilization study and class scheduling study to determine if the college is using the space currently available efficiently and if additional space is needed; the desire to maximize opportunities in Bryan; progress of the Schmidt Building renovation (**enclosure**); progress and challenges of the proposed Technology Center (**enclosure**); possibility and challenges of pursuing a maintenance tax in the Bryan area (**enclosure**); proposed patch design for dual credit students (**enclosure**); various current athletic programs and their scholarship requirements; condition and needs of various athletic facilities; and possible future athletic programs.

The public session was recessed for a closed session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss various personnel matters that arose from Agenda Item No. 4 (As authorized by *Gov't. Code*, sec. 551.101).


The public session was reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

No action was taken on any closed session items.

General discussion on items from Agenda Item No. 4 was continued.

ITEM 5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.



Mr. Atwood C. Kenjura
President



Mr. Don Jones
Secretary