

**NAVARRO COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES**

The governing body of Navarro College met at 12 noon in the Lone Star Room located in Walker Dining Hall on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 for a Special Meeting. Following the meeting, the Board of Trustees had lunch in the President's Dining Room. Trustees in attendance included: Mr. Lloyd Huffman, Mr. Phil Judson, Mr. Richard Aldama, Mr. A. L. Atkeisson, Ms. Faith Holt and Mr. Todd McGraw. Dr. James Price was absent.

Others in attendance included:

Dr. Richard Sanchez	District President
Dr. Kenneth Martin	President, Ellis County Campuses
Dr. Harold Housley	Vice President of Academic Affairs
Ms. Gettie Moreno	Vice President of Finance and Administration
Ms. Maryann Hailey	Vice President of Student Services
Mr. Dewayne Gragg	Vice President of Enrollment Mgmt., Student Success and Instl. Studies
Dr. Tommy Stringer	Vice President of Institutional Advancement
Ms. Leslie Smith	Executive Administrative Assistant to the District President
Ms. Anne Massey	Navarro County Resident, 3003 Louise Ave., Corsicana, TX 75110

Call to Order

Mr. Huffman called the meeting to order in the Lone Star Room at approximately 12:01 p.m. and asked Mr. Atkeisson to begin the meeting with a prayer.

Public Hearing Related to the Intent to Set the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Calendar Year 2012 (Fiscal Year 2012-2013) at \$0.119 per \$100 Assessed Valuation

Mr. Huffman acknowledged Ms. Anne Massey's request to speak to the Board of Trustees. He informed Ms. Massey she would be allowed five minutes and asked her to begin by stating her name and address.

Ms. Massey expressed her appreciation to the Board of Trustees for allowing her the opportunity to speak and stated she was a former Navarro College student. Ms. Massey stated she was appreciative the Board of Trustees did not raise the tax rate last year to offset its loss in state funding. She requested the Board of Trustees consider reducing the college's ad valorem tax rate this year by 5%. She stated she and friends were concerned about the recent loss of jobs (in Navarro County). She stated the combined tax rate in Navarro County was hurting the County's efforts to attract new business and industry. She referred the Board of Trustees to a document she had prepared and stated Navarro College's tax rate was higher than neighboring community college districts, Hill, Trinity Valley and Tyler. She concluded by stating if not this year, she hopes the Board of Trustees will at least consider lowering the rate next year.

Mr. Huffman thanked Ms. Massey for her presentation and inquired if there were any other requests to address the Board of Trustees. There were no further requests.

Announcement and Adjournment

Mr. Huffman announced a second public hearing on the tax rate would be held during a Special Meeting at 12 noon on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 in the Lone Star Room.

Ms. Holt moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 p.m. and Mr. Judson seconded the motion. The decision was unanimous. Afterwards, the Board of Trustees moved to the President's Dining Room for lunch. No further business was discussed or action taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Judson, Secretary-Treasurer
Navarro College Board of Trustees