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***Professional Summary***

Kenneth P. Walker is the founder of the Community College Baccalaureate Association (CCBA), the Chairman of the CCBA Board of Directors, and District President of Edison College in Fort Myers, Florida. He has held college presidencies and other administrative positions in Oklahoma and Texas. He holds a B.A. and M.A. in Political Science, a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration, and continuing education in management and leadership from Harvard University, Southern Methodist University and the College of William and Mary.

***Education – Degrees Earned***

Doctor of Philosophy	University of Texas at Austin	1973
Master of Arts	East Texas State University <sup>1</sup>	1962
Bachelor of Arts	University of Texas at Austin	1961

***Administrative Positions***

President, Edison College, Florida	1991-Present
President, Oklahoma City Community College	1988-1991
President, Navarro College, Texas	1974-1988

***Professional Associations and Leadership***

- Founder and President of the Community College Baccalaureate Association
- Chairman, Trust for the Thomas Edison and Henry Ford Winter Estates
- Member, Council of Presidents of the Florida Community College System
- Member, Florida Association of Community Colleges
- Member, American Association of Community and Junior Colleges

***Honors/Awards***

- Southwest Florida Council’s Distinguished Citizen Award, Boy Scouts of America, 2006.
- Business Building Leadership Award, Chamber of Southwest Florida, 2006.
- President’s Award for Professional Excellence, Florida Association of Community Colleges, 2000-2001.
- President’s Exemplary Service Award, Florida Association of Community Colleges, 1999.
- Naming of the Kenneth P. Walker Health Sciences Hall at Edison College, 1999.
- Distinguished Graduate of the Community College Leadership Program, the

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<sup>1</sup> ETSU is currently named Texas A & M University- Commerce

University of Texas at Austin, 1997.

- Marie Y. Martin Award for Educational Leadership, American Association of Community Colleges Trustees, 1977.

***Research and Publications – Recent Examples Related to the Topic of the Community College Baccalaureate***

Walker, K. P. (June/July 2006). Globalization is Changing the World of Education: A Case for the Community College Baccalaureate. *Community College Journal*, 76 (6),14-19.

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Walker, K. P. (Spring 2002). The Community College Baccalaureate Degree: A New Paradigm. *Office of Community College Research and Leadership Update*, 13(1), 4-5.

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Walker, K. P. and Zeiss, P.A. (December 2000). Designs for Change: Degrees and Skills. *Community College Journal*, 71(3), 8; 10-11.

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