

TEXAS ALLIANCE OF GROUNDWATER DISTRICTS

Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, August 5 2016 10:00 AM

Conference Call

Draft Minutes

- A. **Call to Order and Roll Call** Vice President Dirk Aaron called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, and provided a brief update on Joe B.'s availability. Executive Director Sarah Schlessinger called roll. Executive Committee members present included Joe B. Cooper, Dirk Aaron, Zach Holland, Leah Adams, Adeline Fox, Kathy Turner Jones, Janet Adams, Amber Blount, Ron Fieseler and Lonnie Stewart. Jim Polonis joined the call at 10:12 AM, and Greg Sengelmann called in at 10:28 AM. Non executive committee members present included Jim Conkwright, representing the nominating committee.
- B. **Executive Director report** Sarah Schlessinger provided update on financial activities, the conference planning committee and the Texas Groundwater Summit, and activities in the subcommittee.
- C. **Discussion and possible action on minutes** Dirk Aaron presented the draft minutes from the May 4, 2016 Executive Committee meeting. Ron Fieseler moved to accept the minutes as presented. Zach Holland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. **Discussion and possible action on Q3 Finances** Treasurer Zach Holland presented TAGD's FY16 Q3 Finances as approved by the Finance Committee. Sarah Schlessinger provided further detail on the finances. Jim Polonis moved to approve the FY16 Q3 as presented. Amber Blount seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. **Discussion and possible action on FY16 Budget Amendments** Zach Holland presented proposed FY16 Budget Amendments to increase total meeting expenses by \$1000, decrease total Office Costs by \$500, increase total professional services by \$1000, and decrease total Travel Costs by \$1500, showing no increase to overall expenses to the budget. Sarah Schlessinger provided further context on need for budget amendments. Ron Fieseler moved to support the proposed FY16 Budget Amendments. Jim Polonis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. **Discussion and possible action on FY17 Budget** Zach Holland presented the proposed FY17 Budget. Sarah Schlessinger provided context on some of the budget changes. Due to the incorrect document being shared with the Executive Committee, Jim Polonis moved to have proposed budget emailed to Executive Committee for an electronic approval. Greg Sengelmann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The electronic survey was distributed to members August 9, 2016. Eight members of the Executive

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Committee participated in the electronic vote, and voted unanimously in support of approving the FY17 proposed budget for distribution to the full membership.

G. Discussion and possible action on Parliamentary Election

Parliamentarian Adeline Fox provided Executive Committee with update on her change of employment and confirmed that she would no longer be serving on the Executive Committee. Sarah Schlessinger provided the Executive Committee with a review of the necessary action. Jim Conkwright provided Executive Committee with a report from the Nominating Committee on selected nominee, Jim Polonis, for a parliamentary election. Kathy Tuner Jones moved to appoint Lonnie Stewart as interim parliamentarian and direct Sarah to inform membership of election and ballot. Janet Adams seconded the motion. Further discussion clarifying that election does not change Amber Blount's representation on the Executive Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Discussion and possible action on Leadership Training date and location

Sarah Schlessinger briefed Executive Committee on TAGD's intention to hold a Leadership Training in October, and presented two venues, date options and costs for consideration. Zach moved that the Executive Committee approve the Executive Director signing a contract with the Austin Crowne Plaza for the Leadership Training in October. Motion was seconded by Jim Polonis. Motion carried unanimously.

I. Discussion and possible action on any other matters before the committee

Sarah Schlessinger confirmed that TAGD's new member Comal Trinity GCD was added to the Lower Edwards Trinity TAGD Area. Zach Holland recommended that TAGD's bylaws be revisited. Sarah Schlessinger presented opportunity to cohost a groundwater conference with Texas Alliance of Groundwater Owners and Producers. Kathy Turner Jones moved that TAGD respectfully decline the opportunity to cohost the conference. Janet Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Sarah Schlessinger presented opportunity to consider membership with the Water Leadership roundtable. No action was taken. Further discussion regarding holding an Executive Committee breakfast before the start of the Texas Groundwater Summit, as well as the introduction of the MAG Peak Factor. Ron Fieseler moved to adjourn at 11:20 am. Greg Sengelmann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Dirk Aaron closed the meeting at 11:20 AM.