

TEXAS ALLIANCE OF GROUNDWATER DISTRICTS

Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2020 2:00 PM
Conference Call

Approved Minutes

- A. **Call to order and roll call.** President Zach Holland called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM and asked Executive Director Leah Martinsson to call roll. Members of the Executive Committee present included Dirk Aaron, Amber Blount, Zach Holland, Janet Adams, Diana Thomas, Greg Sengelmann, Andy Garza and Ron Fieseler. Programs and Operations Manager Julia Stanford was also present.
- B. **Discussion and possible action on draft minutes.** President Zach Holland presented the draft minutes from the last two meetings on May 7, 2020 and June 22, 2020. Janet Adams moved to approve both of the minutes. David Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. **Executive Director report.** Executive Director Leah Martinsson provided a report on TAGD activities, including Executive Committee approval of two new associate members (EPCOR and Nestle Waters), renewal of TAGD's cybersecurity training program certification, an update on the Texas Groundwater Summit, and an update on legislative subcommittees and TWCA's groundwater committee. No action was required.
- D. **Discussion and possible action on FY20 Q3 finances.** Treasurer David Bailey presented the FY20 Q3 Finances as recommended for approval by the Finance and Budget Committee and asked Leah Martinsson to provide a summary of the budget vs. actuals for FY20 Q3 for the group. Diana Thomas moved to approve the FY20 Q3 finances to be distributed to the membership. Amber Blount seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. **Discussion and possible action on proposed FY21 budget.** Treasurer David Bailey presented the proposed FY21 budget as recommended for approval by the Finance and Budget Committee. Janet Adams moved to approve the FY21 budget for presentation to the membership. Greg Sengelmann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. **Discussion and possible action on TWDB proposed rules regarding brackish production zones.** Executive Director Leah Martinsson provided a summary of the draft comment letter proposed to be submitted by TAGD to the TWDB on the proposed rules regarding brackish groundwater production zones. Greg Sengelmann moved to approve submittal of the comment letter and David Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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- A. **Discussion and possible action on House Natural Resources Committee request for information.** Executive Director Leah Martinsson presented the four draft submittals in response to the House Natural Resources Committee request for information on interim charges. Those included: Joint Planning and Achievement of DFCs, Implementation of HB 722, State Auditor Review of GCDs, and GAM Funding. Janet Adams moved to approve submittal of the four responses. Amber Blount seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. **TAGD Area Representative updates.** President Zach Holland asked each Executive Committee member to share a brief update on any matters of interest from each TAGD area. No action was taken.
- C. **Discussion and possible action on other matters before the committee.** President Zach Holland asked if there were any other matters for the committee. Janet Adams raised whether there would be an Executive Committee retreat this fall, and whether TAGD had considered moving the January business meeting outside of Austin if restrictions within Austin prevented gathering for that event. Zach Holland indicated that the situation is being monitored regularly to determine the feasibility of those in-person events.
- D. **Adjournment.** President Zach Holland adjourned the meeting at 3:23pm.