

## TEXAS ALLIANCE OF GROUNDWATER DISTRICTS

Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 29, 2022, 10:00 AM

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### Minutes

- A. **Call to order & roll call.** President Amber Blount called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. Andy Garza, Diana Thomas, David Bailey, Kelley Cochran, Zach Holland, Janet Adams, and Bobby Bazan were present. Also present were Executive Director Leah Martinsson and Programs & Operations Manager Julia Stanford. Ron Fieseler and Doug Shaw were absent.
- B. **Review and possible action on minutes of the November 1, 2022 meeting.** President Amber Blount presented the minutes from the previous Executive Committee meeting. Zach Holland moved to approve the minutes. Kelley Cochran seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. **Executive Director report.** Leah Martinsson delivered a report on TAGD activities and operations, including business meeting plans, updates from the Finance & Budget Committee meeting, recent legislative testimony, and Texas Groundwater Summit videos. She provided current membership numbers and reported on member renewals. She also shared that TAGD had received a new associate membership application from Kodi Sawin (taken up in agenda item F).
- D. **Discussion and possible action on FY22 Q4 Finances.** Treasurer David Bailey presented the Q4 finances that were recommended for approval by the Finance & Budget Committee and asked Leah to address highlights. Leah stated that the organization closed out the fiscal year in a great position, with just over \$60,000 in net income as compared to the approximate \$11,000 that was budgeted. Andy Garza made a motion to recommend the FY22 Q4 finances for approval by the full membership. Diana Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. **Discussion and possible action on FY23 proposed budget amendment.** Treasurer David Bailey presented a proposed budget amendment for FY23, as had been discussed previously with this committee to allow TAGD to hire an additional staff person and bring management of the Texas Groundwater Summit in-house. The Finance & Budget Committee met to consider a proposed budget amendment for this purpose and has recommended such an amendment. David asked Leah to share additional details. Leah explained that the amendment includes an increase in Summit income and the addition of a new expense line item for Summit expenses, since all expenses had previously been handled by IEM and TAGD did not incur those expenses but instead was provided a single payment for IEM after all expenses. She also highlighted those categories with increases necessary to accommodate an additional staff person. Committee members asked questions to clarify some of the line item changes. Diana Thomas made a motion to present the proposed budget amendment to the full membership. Zach Holland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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- F. **Discussion and possible action on other matters.** President Amber Blount asked committee members' availability and called for a special meeting for the full membership to consider the proposed budget amendment. The meeting was set for December 13 at 10am pending confirmation of Ron Fieseler's and Doug Shaw's availability at that time. Amber also provided an update from the Nominating Committee regarding the suggestion and nomination process for electing a new Vice President. Amber announced that Bobby Bazan would be leaving Post Oak Savannah GCD for a new position as Executive Director at the Texas Ground Water Association and that the Nominating Committee would initiate the process to allow for election of a new Secretary at the January business meeting. The Nominating Committee plans to have nominations for both positions published for members by the December 23 edition of the TAGD Weekly Updates. Leah Martinsson presented information about Kodi Sawin's application for associate membership. Bobby Bazan made a motion to approve the application. David Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. **Adjournment.** Zach Holland moved to adjourn the meeting. Janet Adams seconded the motion. President Amber Blount adjourned the meeting at 10:31am.