

TEXAS CITY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018

BALCONES HEIGHTS CITY HALL, 3300 HILLCREST DRIVE, BALCONES HEIGHTS

Those in attendance were: TCMA Board members: President David Harris, City Administrator, Balcones Heights; President-Elect Chris Coffman, City Manager, Granbury; TML Board Representative Michael Ross, Assistant City Manager, Granbury; Immediate Past President Paulette Hartman, Assistant City Manager, North Richland Hills; Region 1 Director, Shane Stokes, City Manager, Pampa; Region 4 Director Opal Mauldin-Jones, City Manager, Lancaster; Region 5 Director David Cockrell, City Manager, Atlanta; Region 8 Director Erik Walsh, Deputy City Manager, San Antonio; Region 9 Director Kevin Carruth, City Manager, Rockport; Region 10 Director Joe Vera, Assistant City Manager, McAllen; Director-at-Large Sereniah Breland, City Manager, Alvin

Guests: Senior Advisors A.C. Gonzalez; Bob Livingston; George Shackelford; and Greg Vick; and ICMA Mountain Plains Regional Director Karen Daly

TML Staff: Bennett Sandlin and Kim Pendergraft

President David Harris called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed the TCMA Board members.

On a motion by Michael Ross and a second by Joe Vera, the Board approved the absence of Vice President Kenneth Williams, City Manager, Buda; Region 2 Director Michael Marrero, Interim City Manager, Odessa; Region 3 Director Robert Hanna, City Manager, Abilene; Region 6 Director Kyle Jung, City Manager, Manvel; Region 7 Director, James Earp, Assistant City Manager, Buda; and Assistants' Organization Representative Lauren Rose, Assistant to the City Manager, Sachse

REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

Regional representatives updated the Board concerning regional activities and openings.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

David Harris reported on his visits to the TCMA regions and the ICMA Regional Summit. Mike Land, City Manager, Coppell, received the nomination for the Texas seat as Vice President of the ICMA Mountain Plains Region.

The TCMA Annual Conference educational sessions and keynote speakers were discussed at length as some members expressed concern about the apparent lack of diversity of speakers listed for the program including diversity regarding gender, ethnic makeup, large and small communities, and regions of the state. They added that future conference committees will provide for a diversity of speakers in order to ensure a more representative sampling of our current and future membership as well as the goals of our Strategic Plan. The consensus was that there needed to be a review of this summer's conference line up. Opal Mauldin-Jones, Joe Vera and Erik Walsh volunteered to meet to review and finalize the speaker and session line up for this year's conference and provide recommendation to the Professional Development Chair.

MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Chris Coffman and a second by Michael Ross, the Board approved the January 26, 2018, TCMA Board meeting minutes as presented.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

On a motion by Michael Ross and a second by Opal Mauldin-Jones, the Board approved Life Membership for George Shackelford and Greg Vick.

RECEIVE REPORTS FROM TCMA COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES

Kim Pendergraft reported on the Membership Committee activity. **On a motion by Opal Mauldin-Jones and a second by Joe Vera, the Board approved the recommendation to not modify the TCMA Constitution to allow elected officials to be members of the association.**

On a motion by Joe Vera and a second by Sereniah Breland, the Committee approved to award the 2018 Charles E. Ridley Scholarship to Brittney Huff, Joseph Resendez, and Ashley Wayman.

Paulette Hartman, Nominating Committee Chair, reported on the 2018 statewide elections.

Kim Pendergraft reported on the Ethics Committee activity. There was consensus to release the online advanced course *Ethics 201*.

On a motion by Chris Coffman and a second by Kevin Carruth, the Board approved to share the online course *Ethics 101* with ICMA Mexico/Latinoamerica. They will develop an online Spanish version. Both TCMA and ICMA will have access to each version.

David Harris requested that the Ethics Committee create a subcommittee to review and make a Board recommendation for:

- Responses to ethics violations of non-members.
- Members who withdraw their TCMA membership to run for elected office and reapply for membership if they lose an election.

Michael Ross, Advocacy Committee Chair, reported on the feedback of the *City Management Matters Campaign*. The Executive Board will meet to discuss additional funds, edits, and submission of video footage by member cities.

Kim Pendergraft reported on the City Managers of Tomorrow Task Force activity.

RECEIVE REPORT ON TML-RELATED ISSUES

Michael Ross reported on the February 23 meeting. Bennett Sandlin provided a report on the Blue Ribbon Committee.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was presented.

SENIOR ADVISOR ACTIVITIES

Bob Livingston welcomed George Shackelford and Greg Vick as Senior Advisors. The Advisors have been attending region meetings. A.C. Gonzalez attended the Southern Regions Leadership Conference in McAllen. The Advisors met to discuss how to best help meet the needs of the membership. The TCMA Regions will be represented as follows:

A.C. Gonzalez: Regions 4, 7, 8
Bob Livingston: Regions 3, 4, 10
George Shackelford: Regions 1, 5, 6
Greg Vick: Regions 2, 4, 9

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by Sereniah Breland and a second by Opal Mauldin-Jones, the Board approved that Robert Hanna be appointed as the alternate TCMA Representative on the TMRS Advisory Board.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 28 in Galveston in conjunction with the TCMA Annual Conference.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.