



**Board of Directors Agenda
Texas Aquatic Plant Management Society
May 1, 2024
10:00 am
Virtual Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM

In attendance:

Haley Kokel
Levi Sparks
Olivia Lopez
Weston Jordan
Kanyan Klein
Ryan O'Hanlon

1. New BOD Members

2. Treasurer's Report- Levi Sparks

- a. Current financial status
 - i. Taxes Submitted
 - ii. TAPMS registered as 501(c)5
 1. Contributions are not tax deductible
 - iii. CD Money Options
 - iv. Wells Fargo released Signify Business Cash Credit Card
 1. \$0 Annual Fee
 2. 2% Cash Back Earnings
 3. \$500 bonus when spend \$5,000 in the first 3 month- could do if wait until closer to meeting to open
 4. 0% APR for first 12-months

3. Committee Nominations and Reports

a. Auditing

- v. Committee Chair: Levi Sparks
- vi. Chairpersons: Wayne Bryd

b. Membership and Publicity

- i. Committee Chair: Olivia Ybarra Lopez
- ii. Chairpersons: Haley Kokel
New avenues for membership

Potentially have membership fee separate or together with conference fee

c. Nominating

- i. Committee Chair:
- ii. Chairpersons: Olivia Ybarra Lopez



When closer to the meeting, highlight positions needed and description on social media etc.

Program

iii. Committee Chair: Olivia Ybarra Lopez

iv. Chairpersons: Haley Kokel

1. Program

1. Agenda at a Glance

2. Theme Night

3. 5 CEU Credit Hours- Must have 2 hours: IPM, Laws/Regs, or Drift

- Brent Bellinger Confirmed

- Nathan Harmes available as long as corp meeting does not interfere- **check back in summer**

- Brittany Chesser- reaching out to panel members for public perceptions panel

- Have not heard back from Monica/John, Trent- **Follow up now that abstract submission open**

- Laws and Regs- **reach out to Ron Kaiser from TAMU RWFM, recommended by Brittany**

- Other Ideas?

2. Professional Development- Advertised at tour of Headwaters at Comal and Veg ID

a. Tour of Landa Lake, Spring Island, Headwaters at the Comal

b. GIS Tutorial - field application

c. Plant ID

d. Best veg Management Practices

d. Governmental Affairs

i. Committee Chair:

ii. Chairpersons: Kristina Tolman, Levi Sparks

e. Awards, Scholarship, and Scholastic Endowment

i. Committee Chair: Haley Kokel

ii. Chairpersons: Kristina Tolman, Levi Sparks

1. **Scholastic Endowment in Edward Jones**

2. Email blast about student opportunities to ~50 professors/university contacts

f. Site and Local Arrangements

i. Committee Chair: Kristina Tolman

ii. Chairpersons: Olivia Ybarra Lopez, Haley Kokel

President's Reception at Faust, Banquet at Krause Cafe

[List of Best Hotel Options](#)

g. Editorial

i. Committee Chair: Ryan O'Hanlon



- ii. Chairpersons: Olivia Ybarra Lopez

Website

- iii. Committee Chair: Haley Kokel
- iv. Chairpersons: Kanyan Klein
New Website is up!!
Registration, Abstract Submission and Scholarship Application Open- **Share with everyone!**

h. Sponsorship

- i. Committee Chair: Wayne Byrd
- ii. Chairpersons: Anthony Walker, Weston Jordan
Fundraiser at Meeting
 - 1. Live auction
 - a. Get some more valuable (monetary or sentimental) items for this
 - i. 5 at most depending on what we do for the other fundraising aspects
 - ii. At TCAFS framed prints were live, some items like handmade artwork, knives silent to live auction and did well
 - 2. Deck of Card Raffle
 - a. Fishing rod
 - b. Other suggestions?
 - 3. Raffle
 - a. Smaller ticket items for raffle - but pull all tickets at banquet and make clear in meeting info!
 - b. **Raffle to be done at Banquet**
 - 4. **Email to sponsors**

i. Social Media

- i. Committee Chair: Haley Kokel
- ii. Chairpersons: Kanyan Klein

2. 2024 Meeting Registration

- a. 1 sponsor and 1 student registered
- b. Please communicate anything you hear about registration, want to continue to make it better



3. Old Business

- a. TAPMS Annual Conference SOP Manual
- b. Bylaws- going to keep a running list in every agenda, must notify membership 60 days before voting
 - i. Need to revote to amend BOD position to 3 years
 - ii. Amend membership to start at meeting rather than calendar year
 - iii. Change from 501(c)3 to 501(c)5
- c. **2025 Joint TAPMS and MidSouth Meeting**
- d. Haley will meet MAPMS Leadership at APMS Conference in July
- e. Brittany Chesser will help with CEU Paperwork

4. New business

5. Next Board Meeting

- a. Doodle Poll to decide- week of July 22

6. Adjourn