

2016 Board Meeting Minutes 2/18/16

Prepared by Matt Ward (Secretary)

- 9:37am Meeting called to order by Emily Griffin
 - Attendance: Emily Griffin, Jordan Austin, Dave Bass, Chris Smith, Matt Ward, Todd Sink, Bret Railey (by phone), Monica McGarrity, and Paul Dorsett
- General Assembly minutes presented for approval by Matt Ward
 - Dave makes a motion to approve the minutes
 - Motion is seconded by Paul
 - All approve
- Treasurer's report presented by Dave Bass
 - **Action Item: Dave Bass to move scholarship money to scholarship account**
 - **Action Item: Dave Bass to email out a conference cost break-down**
 - With Donna no longer serving as our CPA, a new auditor was needed
 - Matt motions that TJ Griffin be selected to review our books
 - Jordan seconds the motion
 - All approve
 - Motion by Dave to renew AERF sponsorship for 2017
 - Chris seconds the motion
 - All approve
- Committee Updates
 - Government Affairs
 - Chris Smith is appointed chair by Emily
 - No update
 - Website
 - Todd Sink continues as chair per Emily
 - Monica selected as co-chair
 - **Action Item: All are to email website comments and suggestions to Emily for review and then submittal to Todd Sink for implementation. Deadline is March 15th.**
 - **Items discussed included making website ads good for one year. To begin on December 1st and end on November 30th.**
 - **Make our society email contact the central email of tapms@gmail.com which is to be forwarded to any current president.**
 - **No public vendor or membership list will be posted on the TAPMS website**
 - **Action Item: All are to email bio updates and updated pictures as desired to Emily. Deadline March 15th.**
 - **Action Item: Monica and Paul to email bios and pictures to Emily. Deadline March 15th.**

- **Action Item: Paul to ask his attorney if we have the right to refuse an ad as a society**

- Nominations
 - Jordan Austin is appointed chair as the past-president of TAPMS
 - No update
- Editor/Newsletter
 - Chris reappointed as committee chair by Emily
 - **Action Item: Send all newsletter comments to Chris by March 15th.**
 - **Action Item: Chris to generate just two newsletters annually (spring and fall).**
- Auditing Committee
 - See Treasurers update... TJ Griffin appointed chair by Emily.
- Membership and Publicity
 - Matt and Bret to co-chair this committee
 - Motion made by Jordan for TAPMS to attend the TIPPC conference and to set up a booth (March 8-11), Emily to help
 - **Action Item: Emily and Jordan to attend TIPPC and set up a TAPMS booth**
 - Motion seconded by Paul
 - All approve
 - Motion made by Matt to set a \$500 budget for booth improvement
 - Motion seconded by Bret
 - All approve
 - **Action Item: Jordan and or Emily to work on the TAPMS booth**
 - Decision made to have a booth at the Woodland and Wildlife Expo in Conroe on Apr. 2nd.
 - **Action Item: Bret and Jordan will keep the booth.**
 - **Action Item: Emily to design a kid's activity for the booth**
 - **Action Item: Matt to contact Shiyou Li about TAPMS**
 - **Action Item: Matt to contact APMS about our partnership with them**
- Program Committee
 - Trent is appointed chair as President Elect
 - No update
- Site and Local Arrangements Committee
 - Emily self-appoints as chair
 - Fall conference set for October 3-5th, at Tapatio Springs
- Awards
 - Dave appointed chair by Emily
 - No update
- Past Presidents Advisory Committee
 - **Action Item: Matt to compile a past-president list**

- New Business
 - Earl's retirement party announced for March 23rd at McKinney Falls State Park Dining Hall, just East of Austin. 11am to 2:30pm. Public invite if RSVP to Tim Birdsong at Timothy.Birdsong@tpwd.texas.gov or (512) 739-4669. \$5 for luncheon participation. Additional donations requested.
 - **Action Item: Dave Bass and others to attend. Dave Bass to present the jacket and plaque designated by the TAPMS board to Earl on behalf of TAPMS.**
 - Howard Elder in need of medical intervention and TAPMS board desires to help as possible
 - **Action Item: Paul to ask him for permission to conduct a fundraiser**
 - Monica informs the board that John Findeisen is now the point person for state herbicide applications
- Closing Statements made by Emily
 - Motion to adjourn by Paul
 - Motion seconded by Dave
 - All approve