



**Board of Directors Agenda
Texas Aquatic Plant Management Society
July 24, 2024
10:00 am
Virtual Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 10:02

In attendance:

Haley Kokel
Olivia Lopez
Weston Jordan
Kanyan Klein
Ryan O'Hanlon
Kristina Tolman
Wayne Byrd

1. Treasurer's Report- Levi Sparks

- a. Current financial status
 - i. Deposit paid to Faust Brewery
 - ii. Final bill paid to Priority Payment systems through Debt Collection agency Oxygen XL
- b. Update on moving money to Edward Jones

3. Committee Nominations and Reports

a. Auditing

- i. Committee Chair: Levi Sparks
- ii. Chairpersons: Wayne Bryd

c. Membership and Publicity

- i. Committee Chair: Olivia Ybarra Lopez
- ii. Chairpersons: Haley Kokel
New avenues for membership- send emails to department heads and/or student advisors

d. 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. ProgramNew Items



APMS President's Update From Jeremy Slade 10-15 minutes

From Previous Meetings

1. Agenda at a Glance
 2. Theme Night- Put in newsletter
 - a. At president's reception
 - b. Teamwork- sports theme
 3. 5 CEU Credit Hours- Must have 2 hours: IPM, Laws/Regs, or Drift
 - Brent Bellinger Confirmed
 - Stakeholders Panel- Brittany leading
 - Nathan Harmes available as long as corp meeting does not interfere- check back in summer, as of 7/15 still do not know availability
 - Have not heard back from Monica/John, Trent- Follow up
 - Laws and Regs- reach out to Ron Kaiser from TAMU RWFM, recommended by Brittany
 - Other Ideas? Kelly, Chris
2. Professional Development- Advertised at tour of Headwaters at Comal and Veg ID from 11:00am-2:00pm
- a. Tour of Landa Lake, Spring Island, Headwaters at the Comal
 - b. GIS Tutorial - field application
 - c. Plant ID - Charris York recommended as an instructor
 - d. Best veg Management Practices
- e. **Governmental Affairs**
- i. Committee Chair:
 - ii. Chairpersons: Kristina Tolman, Levi Sparks
- f. **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
Make Google Doc for scoring presentations
- g. **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](#)

***Faust Hotel** closed for renovations

***Schmitz Bed and Breakfast** (830) 660-7738, 471 Main Plaza
Website: <https://www.historicschmitz.com/>



***Comal Inn**

(830) 629-6060

424 Comal Ave.

Website: <https://www.comalinn.com/>

***Sophie's Gasthaus**

(830) 627-9075

487 West San Antonio Street

Website: <https://sophiesgasthaus.com/rooms/>

***Comal River Cottages** (multiple properties) (830) 609-8196

Website: <https://www.comalrivercottages.com/?sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwjvrgTa-7-HAxWnFtQBHVmeO4AQyK4DegUIAxCdAg>

***River City Resorts** (multiple properties) (830) 626-2196

Website: https://www.rivercityresorts.com/vacation-rentals/results/?searchform=1&arrive_date=11%2F12%2F2024&depart_date=11%2F14%2F2024

***The Other Place** (830) 625-5114, 385 Other Place Drive

Website: <https://www.theotherplaceresort.com/the-resort>

***Wasser Haus & Lodge** (830) 625-2351, 211 W Lincoln Street

Website: <https://www.schlitterbahn.com/new-braunfels/resorts/wasser-haus-lodge>

***Heidelberg Lodge** (830) 625-9967, 1020 N. Houston Ave.

Website: <https://heidelberglodges.com/index.php>

***Super 8 by Wyndham New Braunfels I-35**, 815 South Interstate 35

Website: <https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/super-8/new-braunfels-texas/super-8-%20new-braunfels-i-35/rooms-rates>

***Riverside Lodge**, (830) 822-2558, 475 TX-46 BUS



h. Editorial

- i. Committee Chair: Ryan O'Hanlon
- ii. Chairpersons: Olivia Ybarra Lopez

Website

- iii. Committee Chair: Haley Kokel
- iv. Chairpersons: Kanyan Klein

Registration, Abstract Submission and Scholarship Application Open- **Share with everyone!**

i. Sponsorship

- i. Committee Chair: Wayne Byrd
- ii. Chairpersons: Weston Jordan
Recommendation From APMS/MidSouth- ask for sponsorship money from sponsors or other individuals

Fundraiser at Meeting

- 1. Live auction
- 2. Deck of Card Raffle
- 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 about Sponsorship**

j. Social Media

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

2. 2024 Meeting Registration

- a. 2 conference level sponsors, 4 early registrations and 3 students
- 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- **Friday, September 13**
 - 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)5 to 501(c)3**
 - iv. **Code of Conduct- Kristina, Haley, Ryan**
- c. **2025 Joint TAPMS and MidSouth Meeting**
- d. Tentatively to be held November 3-7, 2025 in Hot Springs, Arkansas- plans to have info finalized to announced at annual meetings, expecting to have a \$250 registration cost
- e. **Tuesday November 4 is a election day**
- f. **Brittany Chesser will help with CEU Paperwork**

4. New business

- a. Code of Conduct- adapt from APMS
 - i. Check box saying I agree to code of conduct on registration

5. Next Board Meeting

September

6. Adjourn