



**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Texas Aquatic Plant Management Society
September 15, 2022
Virtual Meeting**

Members present

**Brittany Chesser, Kristina Tolman, Jason Chapman, Casey Williams, Haley Kokel,
Thomas Decker, Kelly Duffie, Andy Labay**

1. Treasurer's Report- Thomas Decker

a. Any items related to meeting

i. Do we offer a banquet ticket for guests? If so, how much?

3810 STUDENT 2 cd

500 TO Apms grad student grant

Reimbursement to

Webhosting costs

Was \$34.95 to maintain business account now \$49.95 to Wells Fargo

Qty attendee tickets sold 11 early bird, 5 student

Gross sells 15,

3 of 5 silver sponsorships

3 of 4 gold sponsorships

1 bronze

Guest banquet tickets?

Make sure Eventbrite expresses what is included in the registration price.

Do we want/ need event insurance ?

Jason-Only needed for off-site events or meals

Thomas -do we need in case of event cancellation?

Bill – the Society is protected from costs associated with cancellations.

ii. Anyone needing invoices should send them to Thomas

2. Committee Nominations and Reports

a. **Auditing**

i. Committee Chair: Thomas Decker

ii. Chairpersons: Casey Williams

b. **Membership and Publicity**

i. Committee Chair: Kristina Tolman

ii. Chairpersons: Cory Smith, Andy Labay



Nothing to update

Reach out to any one whom may be interested or can give presentations

c. Nominating

- i. Committee Chair: Jason Chapman
- ii. Chairpersons: Brittany Chesser

Who is rotating off board?

Andy Labay- rotating off

d. Program

- i. Committee Chair: Kristina Tolman
- ii. Chairpersons: Andy Labay, Brittany Chesser, Cory Smith

Options Kirby Lane

Ivar's River Pub

Best option keep dinner at hotel site

Ivar's

Free Glass bottom boat vouchers for all attendees

Offer 2 hour lunch break for attendees to take the boat tour during the conference with boxed lunches

Other option is to have the boats booked for a time frame and offer guests the chance to visit during the set time frames.

9 abstracts: Including 2 students, 1 IPM, 1 Drift, and Carlton . Two others have committed for a 15 minute talk but not submitted abstracts. Who else can we reach out to?

Thomas will reach out to Angela and some other TPWD folks.

TAFS offered a table at meeting.

Kelly will invite Dave Terre to honor Earl Chilton and his contribution to the Society.

e. Governmental Affairs

- i. Committee Chair: Kelly Duffie
- ii. Chairpersons: Thomas Decker

No updates

Thomas -TPWD had changed permitting for small scale removal of invasive plants

Monica will cover in her talk

f. Awards, Scholarship, and Scholastic Endowment

- i. Committee Chair: Kristina Tolman
- ii. Chairpersons: Brittany Chesser

2 students submitted extracts how many submitted Scholarship applications?



Are students required to present in order to be eligible for the Scholarship

- g. **Site and Local Arrangements**
 - i. Committee Chair: Bill Torres
 - ii. Chairpersons: Kristina Tolman, Casey Williams
From May's meeting:
Bill looking for offsite venue for president reception.
Kristina will send Bill recommendations for such
Any update on this?
 - h. **Editorial-** To assist in the preparation of the Society's official publications. The Editor will chair this committee.
 - i. Committee Chair: NEED TO FILL
 - ii. Chairpersons: Brittany Chesser

Will send out newsletter with more meeting information closer to meeting
Casey will help with newsletter
 - i. **Website**
 - i. Committee Chair: Brittany Chesser
 - ii. Chairpersons: Haley Kokel, Sean Deery
Scholarship page still needs to be added
 - j. **Sponsorship**
 - i. Committee Chair: Andy Labay
 - ii. Chairpersons: Kelly Duffie
From last meeting: Approach potential sponsors ASAP to get on their schedule.
Who has been contacted?
Multiple slots for any sponsorship level
 - k. **Social Media**
 - i. Committee Chair: Haley Kokel
 - ii. Chairpersons: Casey Williams, Kelly Duffie
- 3. Important dates for 2022 Meeting**
- a. Abstract submission
 - i. Open July 5 - Aug 12
Deadline extended until September 30
 - b. Registration
 - i. Sept 5- 30 open early bird
 - ii. Oct - Conf reg price
 - c. Scholarship
 - i. Apps due by Aug 12 w/ abstract
Deadline extended until September 30



4. TAPMS SOP Manual

a. Progress

Committees add topics regarding their committee tasks, duties and operations
Still need to keep notes/work on this as things arise so some issues do not need
to be solved every year.

5. Next Board Meeting

October? Middle of month.

6. Other items