

**General Membership
Meeting Minutes**



TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC PURCHASERS

OUR MISSION

To provide the central Texas public purchasing profession with educational and networking opportunities in a professional, effective, and ethical manner while promoting member support, information resources, and professional certification.

Date: Thursday, June 4, 2009

Location: Austin Energy, Town Lake Center,
5th Floor Conference Room,
721 Barton Springs Road
Springs Road, Austin, TX 78701

Scheduled Time		Actual Time	
Start	Stop	Start	Stop
12:00 AM	12:30 PM	12:00 AM	1:03 PM

Convening: The TAPP general membership convened at 12:00 a.m. on 06/04/2009 at the Austin Energy facility, and a quorum was present.

President Ernie Lee, in his opening remarks, asked if anyone had new professional certifications or re-certifications, or job vacancies to announce.

New certifications: CTCM were obtained by two contract specialist with The Texas Youth Commission.

Re-certifications: none

Job announcements: Three jobs were announced ; one each at the Attorney General Office for a Purchaser II, TxDOT, Purchaser III, and DPS, Contract Specialist. 4

President's Announcements:

Ernie Lee announced if any guests are contemplating membership in TAPP, there are blank applications at the entrance desk. Also, if current members have not picked up their membership certificates, please check the folder with current membership certificates. For new members, please pick up a TAPP mugs and chapter pin at the entrance desk.

The members were provided several handouts such as the agenda for today, last month's minutes, and the treasurer's report.

Officer's Reports:

Vice President's Report: Sandra Radosavljevic - Vice President: Announced/reminded attendees that Not Present...

Treasurer's Report: Misti Shumate – Treasurer: presented the Treasurer's report for May 2009. Weaver moved to accept the report, Carol seconded; motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Kay Wagner– Secretary. Announced that she had forgotten the minutes from last month's meeting and she would have them posted on the website and bring them to the next meeting in August to be voted on.

Committee Reports

Professional Development: Ann Tillman – Chair. Provided a recap of the registrants thus far for upcoming seminars. Reminded attendees that our 2009 seminar schedules and flyers with information on classes at the back of the room for reference. Announced that the Ethic class will be held this coming Friday, June 5th.

Membership: Jo Woten - Chair. Announced – Not Present...

Newsletter and Communications: John Dobrich – Editor – John announced the newsletter is on the on the website. Announced Barry Thormahlen with TxDOT had article in this month newsletter. John will put the upcoming NIGP classes on the website to allow early registration.

Facilities: Mike Long– Chair: Reminded members he is still looking for a permanent place to hold our monthly membership meetings. He reminded everyone there will be no meeting in July, next meeting will be held in August.

Programs: Art Huck – Chair: Not Present..

Carol Debish announced the St Louis Meeting and reminded everyone to sign up for the 2010 San Antonio's National meeting. Carol commented that attending the annual meetings provided an excellent opportunity for recertification points.

Nancy McCallum ask for help an RFO for with a website re-design for new their agency

Ernie announced that two new board positions will be up for election this fall. Ask that everyone to consider nominees.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Program: Our speaker today was **Vania Ramaekers, CPPB** speaking on the topic of ...
ERP Systems - Purchasing Professionals' Evolving Roles With New Technologies

ERP technology Experience for Government- Most of her power point from this book

At the conclusion, the speaker was presented a plaque (Certificate of Appreciation) and TAPP coffee mug. A door prize drawing immediately followed.

Adjournment: Carol Debish moved to adjourn, Weaver Jackson seconded; motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 1.03 p.m.

Other: The next general membership meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. August 4, 2009.

Texas Association of Public Purchasers June, 2009 General Meeting

Speaker: Vania Ramaekers, CPPB
Purchasing Agent Assistant III
Travis County Purchasing Office

Topic: ERP Systems - Purchasing
Professionals' Evolving Roles
With New Technologies

Date: June 4, 2009

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Vania Ramaekers has worked in government for more than twenty years at the state and county levels. She has experience in the areas of purchasing, inventory, and budgeting.

Previously Vania managed technology consolidation purchases and purchased road materials and equipment for the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission.

Vania manages one hundred and forty professional services contracts in her current position with the Travis County Purchasing Office. She is also working on attaining her Certified Professional Purchasing Officer certification.



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