

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, October 11, 2007

Location: Ventana del Soul

Scheduled Time			Actual Time		
Start	Stop	Total Hours	Start	Stop	Total Hours
11:30 AM	1:00 PM	1.5 Hrs.	11:42 AM	1:00 PM	1.5

Convening: The TAPP general membership convened at 11: a.m. on 10/11/07 at Ventana del Soul restaurant, and a quorum was present. President John Dobrich, in his opening remarks, asked if anyone had new professional certifications or re-certifications, or job vacancies to announce.

New certifications: None

Re-certifications: None

Job vacancy announcements: City of Austin, Round Rock ISD, and TxDOT announced vacancies.

President's Announcements:

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 with several handouts such as the agenda for today, last month's minutes, a speaker's presentation handout, and an agenda.

The following items were discussed and acted upon:

Officer's Reports:

Vice President's Report: Jo Woten- Vice President: None; did not attend.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy Fang - As of September 1, 2007 the checking account balance is \$12,521.68. Transactions during August included \$3,605.00 in deposits and \$237.25 of expenses. Weaver Jackson moved to accept the treasurer's report, Annie Stuard seconded the motion, and motion passed by voice vote of members.

Secretary's Report: Sandra Radosavljevic – provided copies of the September 2007 General Meeting Notes for chapter member review. The membership reviewed the minutes of the September meeting, Carol Debish moved to accept the meeting minutes, Art Huck seconded the motion, and motion passed by voice vote of members.

Committee Reports

Professional Development: Cindy Wilson- Chair. Seminar schedule is available at the back of the room.

Membership: Regina Adams - Chair. She will continue to revise the membership roster. Provided draft roster for member review and updates during the general meeting. TAPP currently has 117 members registered (on the roster).

Newsletter and Communications: John announced Ernie Lee has volunteered to be the Chair. Ernie asked members to forward any articles or announcements they'd like included in the newsletter.

Programs: Art Huck - Chair. Reminded everyone of the holiday party coming in December. Asked for input from members on what (topics or presenters) they would like to hear at future meetings. Advised TAPP will invite Pamela Smith to present on changes stemming from the transition of TBPC purchasing to the Comptroller's office. Hope she will be able to speak at the February meeting. Annie Stuard suggested Sally Becker with SORM do a presentation on insurance.

National Board of Directors Report:

Carol Debish advised the NIGP Board meeting will be October 15 – 17 in Atlantic City. The 2008 NIGP Forum will be held in Charlotte NC. In 2009 the Forum will be in St. Louis, MO. Texas is being considered for Forum hosting in 2010.

Nancy McCallum – None

Facilities: Mike Long- Chair – John announced TAPP is still seeking a location that will allow meeting dates to be scheduled for an entire year (or at least six months). Location must have ample parking and allow food to be served in the meeting room; prefer space in the Capital Complex to maximize attendance. Mike also reminded of the importance of RSVPs for the General Meetings, as the caterers need 72 hours advanced notice on number of meals to prepare.

Old Business: John is still working to obtain tax exempt status for TAPP.

New Business: None

Program: Our speaker today was Fred D. (Doug) Woodall, Director of Turnpike Planning and Development (TP&D) for the Texas Turnpike Authority Division of TxDOT. Doug spoke on the topic of Design-Build Contracting. He discussed comprehensive development agreements. Fred outlined tolling as one of the creative financing methods needed to pay for construction of new roads, to accommodate the rapidly expanding population and increased traffic. The presentation also included lively discussion on current and future tolling of roads in the Central Texas area.

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

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Other: The next general membership meeting will be at 11:30 AM, November 1, 2007 – location to be announced.