

**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, December 4, 2008

Location: Austin Energy Building

Scheduled Time		Actual Time	
Start	Stop	Start	Stop
11:30 AM	12:30 PM	11:48 AM	12:55 PM

Convening: The TAPP general membership convened at 11:48 a.m. on 12/04/08 at the Austin Energy building on Barton Springs Road, and a quorum was present.

President Jo Woten, in her opening remarks, asked if anyone had new professional certifications or re-certifications, or job vacancies to announce.

New certifications: none

Re-certifications: Laurie Clyde, Travis County – CPPB; Rosie Rainey, TxDOT – lifetime CPPB

Job announcements: OAG Purchaser I or II, Animal Health Commission Purchaser I, ACC PCard Assistant.

President's Announcements:

Jo Woten introduced Dewight Doupslauf (NIGP Board of Directors representative for Texas) who swore in new officers for 2009:

Ernie Lee – President

Sandra Radosavljevic – Vice President

Kay Wagner – Secretary

Misti Shumate – Treasurer

NIGP Board Members: Carol Debish and Nancy McCallum.

The members were provided several handouts including the minutes from the November General Meeting, and the Treasurer's report.

Ernie Lee, incoming TAPP President - had the following announcements:

The NIGP Forum will be held in Texas in 2010 and they need volunteers and participation from TAPP. He encouraged TAPP members to enter the various contests (such as essays) and events like Buyer of the Year nominations. Ernie proposed that TAPP develop a speaker's bureau to attend career fairs at high schools and other events when invited. He also mentioned that contract services is being carved out of public purchasing and should not be a separate function; we need to involve those professionals to join TAPP also. Ernie closed by stressing that TAPP needs the input, assistance, and participation of public purchasers to make the Chapter a continued success.

Program: Entertainment today was the improvisational group "IFE" who performed a funny, fanciful skit illustrating the complexity of purchasing, the perceptions of requesters, the relationship between purchasing and accounting, and the impact that technology (especially when it doesn't work) can have, combining to cause mayhem in our daily work-lives.

Adjournment: Weaver Jackson moved to adjourn, John Dobrich seconded; motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Other: The next general membership meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. on February 5, 2009.