

TXSWANA Board Meeting
January 11, 2007, Austin, TX
Austin Airport Hilton Hotel, Live Oak Room

Attending – Mary Nix, Ron Smith, Brenda Haney (by phone), Michael Rice, David Ivory, Paul Gosselink, Bill Hindman, Jeff Kaplan, Ellen Smyth, Holly Holder, James Ballowe, Oscar Medina, Bengy Williams, Richard McHale, Pete Caler (by phone)

Absent – Charles Ross, Vance Kemler, Kenneth Anthony,

Guests – Felecia Thibodeaux, Mike Carlton, Risa Fisher, Dan Witliff

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Corrections to remove Richard McHale as an attendee. Motion by Ellen Smyth with a 2nd by Holly Holder to approve the minutes as corrected, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed the financial reports for the months of November and December. Final payments for legal fees on the Chapter 330 rules have been made. Motion to approve the financial report as corrected by Michael Rice, 2nd by Ellen Smyth, motion passed.

ANNUAL BUDGET UPDATE: Brenda reviewed the current budget status as of January 1, 2007. Mary asked Brenda to contact National about the D&O Insurance concerning timing.

ANNUAL REPORTS TO NATIONAL: Michael and Brenda reviewed the reports sent to National. Mary asked if Brenda would ask National about other SWANA chapters and see how TXSWANA compares.

2007 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Paul handed out materials. 40% of sponsorships are covered, so we still need sponsors. The board reviewed potential sponsors and discussed progress to date. Marlena will add info to her existing spreadsheet, such as how much money has been committed by each vendor and the board contact for that vendor. All info on sponsors/vendors should be directed to Marlena. Mary encouraged everyone to stay active and work on the final push. On technical speakers, everyone is confirmed excluding the electronic recycling guys. Richard Carmichael has suggested a topic on grant projects.

Mary discussed the training opportunity for training for Wednesday morning and afternoon. Marlena will be attending the meeting at 12:30 and some questions were deferred until that time.

Pete Caler has set the date of June 1 & 2, 2007 for the Road-e-o. Texas A&M riverside campus on Hwy 47 & 21 is around 6-7 miles from Hotel, and the air strip will be used for the Road-e-o location. \$80 per room for College station Hilton. Working out details for banquet and catering. Mary asked Pete to send a draft budget to the board. Brenda has been out to look at the sight.

LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY: Paul summarized the meeting that was held earlier in the day between 9 and 10 am. Topics addressed included notification, transfer station SOPs, Permit Notice Mods and non-Notice Mods, signage, elimination of one time 10 feet vertical increase for landfills, and the open HHW rule. Mary asked if the board had a desire to set up a budget to address these potentially hot topics. Ellen made a motion that \$2,500 budget be set up to address the HHW issue. 2nd by Bill Hindman. Oscar discussed lobbyist issues by cities. Motion passed. Paul addressed the 305 rules and asked about the direction of the board. Bill and Paul will be reviewing chapter 305 and will notify the board if board action is required before the next board meeting.

Jeff Reed discussed the Texas Disposal Systems Landfill (TDS) claim of defamation against Waste Management Holdings, Inc. (WMI). The trial court found that "Action Alert" was defamatory, but awarded no damages. The 2nd issue addressed was Hallco Texas, Inc. and their problem of a county ordinance that prohibited a landfill within 3 miles of a reservoir. The courts replied that since Hallco didn't appeal the first case, all of the finding therein still apply.

The meeting was temporarily adjourned for Lunch at 12:15 pm.

The board reconvened briefly at 12:40 and discussed attendance of the board members. Discussion focused on the attendance of Charles Ross and his absence for the last several meetings. Bill reported that he had discussed this issue with the city of Houston and they were in favor of his removal. Bengy mentioned that he thought that Charles was planning on resigning. Bengy offered to contact Charles and see what is happening, and this also allows the board a chance to contact Houston and ask for recommendations for a potential Houston representative in the future.

The board was taken on a tour of the Hotel and reconvened at 1:44 pm.

INTERNATIONAL BOARD: Vance was out for the day for medical reasons and this item was tabled until the next board meeting.

There was a discussion concerning the use of recirculation of leachate over alternative liner systems. There was interest by several board members and this issue has been forwarded to the technical committee.

NEWSLETTER: The January issue will be postponed until February in order to provide additional Annual Conference information to the membership. There are not any ads in the newsletter for the next issue. Michael will send advertisement info to the board. For the April newsletter there is a request for an article on compliance history and CEU credits with the TCEQ.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Ellen reported that El Paso will be the location of the next regional meeting on Feb. 14th in Van Horn, and El Paso is buying lunch, 2 hour training, and then the COG meeting. A possible topic may include recycling and related issues. Looking for volunteers and locations for future regional meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS: Next meeting at Corpus Christi at their airport. There is a thank you note from one of our scholarship recipients in the packets. Mary discussed compliance history, and correction of incorrect information. Scrap tires is still an issue around Laredo. There was request for an opinion from the AG on the compost issue, no update.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items were reviewed, discussed and updated.

NEXT MEETING: The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2007 at the Corpus Christi Airport meeting room location.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

TXSWANA Board Meeting

February 8, 2007, Corpus Christi, TX

Corpus Christi Airport

Attending – Mary Nix, Michael Rice, Bengy Williams, James Ballowe, Richard McHale, Jeff Kaplan, Brenda Haney (by phone), Paul Gosselink, Holly Holder (by phone), Vance Kemler (by phone), Ellen Smyth (by phone), Bill Hindman (by phone), Ken Anthony (by phone), David Ivory (by phone)

Absent – Charles Ross, Ron Smith, Pete Caler, Oscar Medina

Guests –Risa Fisher (by phone), Mike Carlton (by phone)

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Corrections to remove Richard McHale as an attendee. Motion by Jeff with a 2nd by Bengy to approve the minutes as corrected, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed revised May and June financial reports due to discovery of a discrepancy back in June. This resulted in a modification to the financial reports beginning June, 2006. Motion to approve the revised financial reports as corrected by Bill Hindman, 2nd by Vance Kemler, motion passed.

ROAD-E-O UPDATE: Mary discussed the current status of the road-e-o. The date was changed to June 8th & 9th. Brenda has visited the site. Mary brought up the participation of SMART in the road-e-o and the road-e-o manuals. James Ballowe discussed his last meeting with SMART and their involvement. SMART wants to know what part they should play in the road-e-o. Brenda added that there are a handful of members with a lot of experience with course set up and these members are used yearly. Brenda would appreciate course review and set up by SMART prior to the date of the Road-e-o. Many SMART members participate as judges. There was discussion concerning the SMART committee and their part in the road-e-o and with the road-e-o committee. Mary wants Victoria to send her a current list of SMART members. The SMART committee's next meeting is March 26th @ 3:00 pm, and Brenda Haney will do her best to attend that meeting. There was a question on updating the road-e-o manual. Vance commented that the road-e-o manual is National's and that it was updated in 2005. All concerns about the Road-e-o manual should be forwarded to Brenda and Vance. There was a question about the participants driving too fast and no action taken accordingly. Brenda responded that the Head Judge had final say on all issues, and all concerns should be forwarded to the Head Judge for review and action. There was also a question about a clear definition for an accident versus an incident. Brenda responded that this issue is an ethics issue that is left to each city to enforce.

INTERNATIONAL BOARD: National's net income was greater than \$280,000 ending Nov. 30th. This is due to a large increase in revenues and additional training events in 2006. Vance addressed the possibility of assisting SWANA with training courses using Chapter Loans. Vance has sent info on this program to the board. Vance has been asked if TXSWANA would be interested in participating in this program. The period of the loan is 5 years from loan date, and the pay back schedule shows that a \$10,000 loan would be at a 5% fixed interest rate. Discussion followed. There was a motion by Ellen Smyth for TXSWANA to loan SWANA \$10,000 for their training courses, second by Vance, motion passed.

NEWSLETTER: The January issue will be postponed until February in order to provide additional Annual Conference information to the membership. Currently there is one ad in the newsletter from CAT for the next issue. Michael will send advertisement info to the board. For the April newsletter there is a request for an article on compliance history and CEU credits with the TCEQ.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Ken Anthony discussed the regional meeting planned for El Paso for the 14th in Van Horn. Ellen added that she has sent the invitation to the board, and the topic is curb side recycling. Ellen has included a letter to members in the area. There is also planning in process for 3 more events. After this event they plan on applying for TCEQ credits for the meetings. For Dallas, in conjunction with Joe Fogle, there is a plan for a regional meeting on Tier 3 engines. They hope to have TCEQ credits approved for all future meetings. There is a push for a meeting in the Houston area, and Ken is looking for assistance from interested parties in this area of Texas. Mary requested that as the plan for regional meetings develop that Ken draft an article for the newsletter to inform the membership of the upcoming events, possibly for the April newsletter. Mary also suggested placing updated regional meeting information on the web site between newsletters when possible.

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2007 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Paul handed out materials. All of the speakers have been selected and this information is in the schedule. Paul & Bill requested a review and approval and/or revisions as necessary of the schedule by the board. There will be some changes to some of the titles to make them “snappier”. There is a question concerning Richard Carmichael and what he should talk about. Bill suggests the topic be “What’s new with TCEQ” and let him open up a dialogue with our group and talk about anything he wants to. If possible, we should attempt to insure that his topics don’t revisit other speaker’s presentations, but many of the questions asked will probably be a result of previous technical session discussions. There was a lengthy discussion on invitations, topics, speakers, and vacant spots on the schedule. We have the meat & potatoes of the conference, but we need some of the flourish spots filled. Paul discussed the tours, the budget, pending sponsor contacts, and sponsor booths. Ken Anthony suggested that we place our conference in Waste News next year. It was suggested that the 2008 conference host spend some time with the 2007 conference hosts to get educated on the complete process. There was discussion on the 2008 TXSWANA annual conference host and confirmation of same. A review of the minutes from the May 2006 board meeting identified Corpus Christi as the 2008 Conference host. The board plans on meeting in Laredo in April for their board meeting, and to review Laredo’s facilities for a potential future conference.

The meeting was temporarily adjourned for Lunch at 12:22 pm. The board reconvened at 1:00.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Holly reported on leachate recirculation over composite or alternate design liners in addition to the prescriptive liners, and the TCEQ commissioners will not support this because they have been persuaded that non-prescriptive liners are less stringent than the EPA rules. A brief discussion followed. Mary talked about compliance histories and the member cities responding to the accuracy of the information. Bill added that the TCEQ has different computer systems and they don’t talk to each other. Mary talked with Charles Ross and he has conveyed his pleasure in working with this board, he has resigned verbally, and will follow up with a written resignation.

LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY: Paul talked about the 335 rule (household hazardous waste) tracking. They are not hot at this time and we have been asked to be on a stakeholders group. There has been stuff on the licensing issue, but nothing to report from Paul. There was discussion about the old test on the old rules for current licenses, and what type of training is really needed today. Paul was asked to evaluate and track the 305 and the 330 rules. This has a chance of being pretty complicated or not depending on guidance document process, and upon Commissioner Soward and his actions. Excluding the drainage issue, there is a possibility that the guidance documents may be withdrawn and redone. Paul suggested a budget of \$7,500 for this task. Our position is that we like limited scope major amendments, and we don’t like notice requirements, and these are the big picture items. Determining which specific notices are “J” and which ones are “K” are likely to be the most time consuming issues

discussed. No funds have been dedicated to this effort at this time. The suggested actions were: 1) waiting to make a decision until the issue is revisited in March, 2) approve the recommended budget for this task, 3) approve a smaller budget and add to it as we go, and 4) Paul work on the task based upon the budget, even though he will probably bust the budget with payment coming when funds are available. There was a motion and second to budget \$7,500 for the Chapter 305 & 330 rules, with the caveat that Paul would seek to keep well under that amount if the rulemaking effort diminished from what Paul was expecting, the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is in Austin at the Annual Meeting on March 28th at 1 pm.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned.

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TXSWANA Board Meeting
March 28, Austin, TX
Austin Airport Hilton, Chennault Room

Attending –Ron Smith, Michael Rice, Bengy Williams, James Ballowe, Richard McHale, Brenda Haney, Holly Holder, Vance Kemler, Ellen Smyth, Bill Hindman, Ken Anthony, Oscar Medina, Pete Caler, David Ivory, Mary Nix (by phone), Jeff Kaplan

Absent –Paul Gosselink

Guests –Mike Carlton, Mike Wegner, Samantha Best, Wally Urruita, Shelia McQueen, Dawn Self, David Lehfeldt, Tom Parker with SWANA

Call to Order: Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Vance Kemler with a 2nd by Bengy to approve the minutes as presented, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports. Motion to approve the financial reports by Bill Hindman, 2nd by Pete Caler, motion passed.

REGULATORY AND LEGISLATIVE: Vance provided an update on the current legislative issues. Bill discussed the licensing issue and where the agency is today. Vance discussed the current bill addressing mulch, compost and marketing thereof. Board discussion followed on various legislative issues. There are some public meetings on the HHW issue coming up and assignments for TXSWANA representation have been made.

2008 CONFERENCE: David Ivory made a report on his recent visit to the city of Laredo to meet with city officials and to check on the status of the ability of Laredo to host the next annual conference. David believes that Laredo is an acceptable location for the 2008 TXSWANA conference location. Oscar added information concerning the eagerness of Laredo to adequately host the conference and notified the board of the contracts that have already been finalized and/or that are in process. The airport is served by American and Continental airlines. Oscar guarantees that we will have a great time in Laredo. Date is probably last week in March, 2008.

2007 ROAD-E-O UPDATE: Date is June 8 & 9th. Truck Road-e-o will be at Texas A&M Riverside Campus at the old Bryan air strip. Rock Prairie landfill is site for landfill road-e-o. Memorial Student Center on campus is location of banquet. The Hilton is the conference hotel at \$89 per night. Pete passed out a preliminary budget. Still working with Texas A&M on bus transportation. Menu for banquet is turkey & dressing. Heil has committed to provide lunch. Most road-e-o vehicles are available, but we still need scrapers. Brenda talked about the lack of a regions bank in College station. She recommended that a separate bank account be set up in College station for the road-e-o. Bill Hindman made a motion to set up an account with \$3,000 seed money, with the requirement that the bank account be closed as soon as is feasible after the completion of the road-e-o financials, 2nd by Brenda Haney, motion passed.

IB REPORT: Vance reported that he would be sending his report to the board electronically due to his hectic schedule.

NEWSLETTER: February newsletter went out and recognized Charles Ross and his years of service to Houston and the Board. The next newsletter will go out in April and will include the president's

message, a safety article, a regional meetings update article, a splash about the upcoming road-e-o, and a legislative update.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: There was a report by Ken and Ellen on regional meetings. The 1st regional meeting went very well. Dallas had their regional meeting this month. Jeff is working on a regional meeting in Corpus and Oscar is working on getting a regional meeting in Laredo. Brenda received a request this week from some of the TXSWANA recycling members requesting a possible joint efforts with recycling and other solid waste operations, possibly with the TXSWANA regional meetings. This may be a great opportunity to add members, attendance, and new topics. Brenda suggested a joint meeting between the north texas recycling coalition board with the TXSWANA board in May in Dallas. Mary Nix talked about Gavin with Holt and his willingness to participate with TXSWANA, specifically with a TXSWANA sponsored field day where heavy equipment companies bring their stuff out for various cities to operate and look at the pros and cons of the equipment side by side, maybe on a regional basis.

OTHER BUSINESS: Ron reported that on compliance history that he recently talked with the agency and was able to get their history changed with back up data. This resulted in positive outcomes for Dallas. Within 24 hours after the resolution was made, the results showed up on the TCEQ web site. Tom, SWANA president talked about the SMART program and the need to increase the safety in the industry. Tom addressed the training sessions that SWANA is working on. Tom also addressed the disconnect between National and State with SWANA, and if you have any ideas on improvement, please let him know.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is in Laredo on April 19th at 10:00 am.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

TXSWANA Board Meeting

April 19, Laredo, TX

La Posado Hotel, Hibiscus Room

Attending –Mary Nix, Ron Smith (by phone), Michael Rice, James Ballowe, Richard McHale, Brenda Haney (by phone), Holly Holder (by phone), Vance Kemler, Bill Hindman, Ken Anthony (by phone), Oscar Medina, David Ivory (by phone), Jeff Kaplan, Paul Gosselink (arrived at 10:45), Pete Caler (by phone at 10:48)

Absent –Bengy Williams, Ellen Smyth,

Guests –Christy Lara

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 28th meeting. Motion to approve by Brenda Haney with a 2nd by Vance Kemler to approve the minutes as presented, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports. Checking account had an ending balance of \$29,174.15, and the Savings Account had an ending balance of \$15,184.14. The revenue from the Annual Conference has not been transferred to the primary TXSWANA account. There was a discussion of some minor issues such as outstanding revenue from the regional meeting, the billing of the conference call expenses to the members who call in to the board meeting, and outstanding revenues and expenses. Motion to approve the financial reports by Vance Kemler, 2nd by James Ballowe, motion passed. There was a discussion on the support of National SWANA on a loan for training event preparations. Michael later found board approval in the February 8th minutes for a \$10,000 loan to National SWANA for the training fund when necessary. Brenda asked about the \$7,500 budget for Paul, and if this budget was for both the 335 rules and the 305 rules. Discussion followed and it was agreed that the budget was for both. Brenda discussed other invoices from Paul on various legal issues. Mary suggested that Brenda develop a list of the various invoices for distribution and discussion by the board at a later date. Brenda was unable to get information from National on the status/comparison of TXSWANA in relationship with the other chapters.

NEWSLETTER: There is a newsletter currently under development. The newsletter will include the message from Ken Anthony on regional meetings, the upcoming 2007 Road-e-o in College Station, a heat related injuries article, president's message, an article on prevention of back injuries, a 2007 conference wrap up, the SMART safety award, and the scholarship announcement. Mary suggested acquiring an article from Victoria on the SMART training session, and the feedback from attendees. This training appeared to be very well received.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: There was an email sent out requesting participation from more cities with regional meetings. Several different locations have responded. Dallas has been active in their bi-monthly meetings. Corpus, Brownsville, Austin, Laredo, and El Paso have either started planning or had quarterly meetings. There is a lot of interest in the south, so we need to generate interest in the north. Mary reminded the group that Adam needs to be included in the loop when dates are set so this info can get on the web site. There was a notice submitted for the newsletter for April.

I.B. BOARD: Vance emailed out SWANA's position on climate change policy. Everyone should have John Skinner's five page letter on this topic. Let Vance know if you don't have the letter. Vance discussed the SWANA investments, funds, and reserves. SWANA membership has grown nation wide due to the marketing of Todd Van Deak.

2007 ROAD-E-O UPDATE: Pete announced he has a road-e-o meeting scheduled for next Tuesday with Denton personnel and SMART members. Registration has been mailed out, and a lot of the info was previously sent to the board including sponsorships. Any other potential sponsors may be contacted directly, or Pete will contact them if the info is forwarded to him. The road-e-o budget has been reviewed by Vance and Brenda. Texas A&M will be a co-host of the event, and Pete is working with them on bus service from the hotel to the road-e-o site. Truck Road-e-o will be at Texas A&M Riverside Campus at the old Bryan air strip. Rock Prairie landfill is site for landfill road-e-o. Memorial Student Center on campus is location of banquet.

2007 CONFERENCE: Paul handed out an updated 2007 conference budget summary. The bottom line is a net profit of \$46,850.32. Paul announced that Marlana is available for questions if anyone would like to call her. The feedback that Marlana has received on the conference has been positive. Marlana sent numbers earlier about the golf tournament (14 teams & 56 players), exhibitors (53 indoor & 6 outdoor), registrations (258 full registrations & 53 badge only), and the SMART training (18 in attendance). The board discussed interaction with the vendors during the conference. David Ivory added that he talked to a few of the new vendors and they were very pleased with the conference. There was a discussion about speaker gifts. City of Laredo plans to supply special speaker gifts for the 2008 conference. Bill Hindman has a packet of financial information from Marlana he will deliver to Brenda Haney.

2008 CONFERENCE: Oscar introduced Christy Lara. They are planning for the last week in March. There will be a site visit of the conference center, exhibit hall, and host hotel after lunch. Laredo needs a letter from TXSWANA about what is needed because they are ready to proceed. Toter, McNeilus, Holt CAT, Rush Trucking, & Southern Sanitation are committed to help sponsor the conference. They need to work on the golf courses because they are normally closed on Monday, but they believe they will convince them to open for us. They will lock in the hotels as soon as the dates are set, and the Holiday Inn (180 rooms) has an \$85 rate and the Courtyard at Marriott (30 rooms) has a \$69 rate, and they are across the street from the civic center. Proposed dates are March 23-26, 2008. There is a proposed outdoor entertainment location with an outdoor water garden with surrounding bars and cooking facilities with a scenic view of the Rio Grande. Texas A&M International has a planetarium that may be a possibility. Mary discussed the election of the board and the timing of this in relation with the Annual Meeting. Mary will check on the bylaws and will send her summary to the board. Mary has updated the TXSWANA committees and sent to the board.

LEGISLATIVE and REGULATORY: Status of 305 rules, they are proposed to come out on July 24th. There will be stake holder meetings prior to that date. The one mile notice distance has been voluntarily reduced to ¼ mile by the agency. Notification should be made using the central appraisal district records. Bill added that the advisory committee discussed the adding/removing of a licensed or exempt facility on your permit as a J mod, and the proposal was this would be a K mod when adding a facility. The TCEQ staff is recommending that this remain a J mod in both cases. The chapter 30 package, the licensing package, is being addressed by the board. There were 3 public meetings recently held on HHW (household hazardous waste) rules. James Ballowe attended the meeting in Austin. Mary discussed the HHW meeting that was held in Arlington and it appears that compressed gas containers have developed into a big issue. One of the big issues is “mobility”, and the definitions effected within different HHW recycling options. The agency is not trying to discourage the existing programs. Vance commented on the legislature and 4 recent house bills that addressed recycling issues. Vance discussed a bill requiring public hearings and the problems with this proposed bill. Overall, the current legislative process and proposed legislation has not been so bad. There is a little more legislative activity than we had expected, but the management of the bills has been pretty good thanks to Brian.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Bill informed the board that he has been in contact with Buck in Houston and Houston is interested in having board representation. TXSWANA received a letter from the Secretary of State of Texas concerning TXSWANA's corporate status. We have an agent, HIQ Corporate Services in Austin, who received this information from the State of Texas, and then forwarded it to TXSWANA. TXSWANA needs to update the info for submission to the state next week. Mary discussed the TXSWANA web site and the updates that Adam has completed. Everyone was encouraged to visit the web site and provide comments. Holly commented that the site is very easy to navigate. 2007 International Road-e-o will be held in New Jersey in late Fall. SWANA is working on a power point presentation about the wonderful things about SWANA that is available for viewing during local and/or regional meetings, and why it is important to be an active member of SWANA. The TXSWANA meeting dates are set through June of 2007. May 10th at Love Field, hosted by the City of Denton. The board changed the June meeting to Friday, June 8th around 1 or 2 pm, in College Station in association with the road-e-o. The Board agreed on future meetings including in Austin on July 19th hosted by Paul Gosselink, in Dallas at Love Field on August 16th hosted by Amarillo, in Austin on September 20th hosted by the City of Austin, October 17th in Reno Nevada, in Corpus Christi at the airport on November 29th, and no meeting in December.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is at Dallas Love Field on May 10th at 10:00 am, hosted by city of Denton.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 12:23 pm for lunch at the hotel. The board then took a tour of the Laredo facilities proposed for the 2008 Annual Conference.

TXSWANA Board Meeting

May 10, 2007, Dallas, TX

Love Field, Dallas Room

Attending – Mary Nix, Ron Smith, Brenda Haney, Michael Rice, Ellen Smyth, Pete Caler, Richard McHale, Vance Kemler, Paul Gosselink, Bill Hindman, Holly Holder, David Ivory (by phone), James Ballowe (by phone), Oscar Medina (by phone), Jeff Kaplan (by phone after lunch)

Absent – Bengy Williams, Ken Anthony

Guests – Risa Fisher, Mike Carlton

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 28th meeting. Bill made the board aware that the minutes should read “the TCEQ Staff recommended” instead of “the advisory committee recommended”, and change “bid issues” to “big issues”. Motion by Bill Hindman to approve the minutes as corrected with a 2nd by Vance Kemler, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports. Checking account ending balance was \$26,695.21 and ending savings account balance was \$15,184.14. Motion to approve the financial reports as presented by Michael Rice, 2nd by Pete Caler. Ellen identified additional funds in other accounts that do not appear on the financial statements, including a road-e-o account in College Station and the Annual Conference account in Austin, and discussion followed. Brenda reviewed the budget by line item with the board. There is roughly \$46,000 in the 2007 conference account and \$3,000 seed money in the road-e-o account, and these funds have not been transferred to the main TXSWANA account at this time. Motion passed.

Brenda discussed changes in the budget for the current year. Vance called about TXSWANA’s status in comparison on the annual financial report. No one has ever asked for that information and it is not available. There is a summary sheet that identifies assets and gross revenues. Vance will call national and ask for assets and revenues for the other chapters be sent to Mary. There are still 6 chapters that have not submitted the annual reports to national. Vance reported that National is now starting to use the funds for training, therefore a chapter that wishes to loan funds needs to notify them in order to begin the loan process. TXSWANA will probably need to write the check to SWANA around June 8th. Risa informed the board that a specific training program may be designated by the chapter when the money is loaned.

2007 ROAD-E-O UPDATE: Pete announced that they have a lot of sponsors this year. One change since the last meeting was no in kind for transportation provided by Texas A&M, and Caron has agreed to pay for this expense. Still in detail phase, all major events are covered. Brenda and SMART team had a good meeting in the last 30 days at the site. Pete has submitted for insurance to national on May 1st for the road-e-o and has not heard yet from them. Pete requested a time be set for the board meeting in order to make reservations. The recommendation was 2 pm for the board meeting beginning time. Pete will send directions to the board meeting at the conference center. Paul suggested that the sponsors for the road-e-o should be given special consideration on booth locations for the next annual conference.

REGIONS BANK: Pam Strauss with Regions Bank was introduced by Brenda Haney. Pam handed out folders with information on merchant services and about Regions Bank. Pam discussed the details concerning the use, equipment, and fees for credit card transactions and possible options for TXSWANA.

I.B. BOARD: Vance has a first draft of the 2008 budget for SWANA. They are expanding their certification and onsite training with a plan to raise additional funds next year for these items. They are proposing a new full time training position, implementation of a new records management system, expand a salary survey for persons in the solid waste industry, and an applied research foundation project. There will be a mid year I.B. meeting in San Diego on June 23rd & 24th, and Vance will not be able to attend due to his travels to Hawaii. Ellen volunteered to attend in June.

NEWSLETTER: A newsletter was mailed to the membership at the end of April. Thanks to Brian and SMART for the articles provided for the April newsletter. Next newsletter will be in July and will include the road-e-o in June.

Break for lunch at 11:52 and resumed at 12:30.

LEGISLATIVE and REGULATORY: Nothing going on at TCEQ on Chapters 305 & 330. The licensing rule comments are due in May. Mary asked for comments on the D license in order to provide comments to the agency ASAP.

Bob Gregory is concerned about co-permittees, and Richard Carmichael shares this belief due to an administrative efficiency issue. This appears to be centered upon the definitions of land owner, permittee, and/or operator, because these 3 entities may be different. Multiple entities may create confusion and begs the question, "Who should have the permit?" This issue will probably not be addressed in the 305 rules. Permittee is not defined in the regulations, but they are identified on page one of your permit.

One big new item is the recent decision on flow control by the United States Supreme Court asserting flow control is acceptable when it is associated with public facilities. One key point is that flow control to "public" facilities that does not discriminate against private companies does not interfere with interstate commerce. This could also be applicable to material recycling facilities, C&D, recycling, and other municipal operations.

Brian has asked for guidance on two bills that are still pending, H.B. 2541 & S.B. 1280. Brian has sent both of these bills to the board for comment and has asked for direction. There is not much time left to revise and pass bills. Brian sent the other bills of concern to the board earlier. There are 2 franchise bills, HB 1251 & SB 1589, worthy of review.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Mary addressed the timeline for board elections. The board had a lengthy discussion about the upcoming election of directors and the annual business meeting. The board approved the use of email as an official means of sending and receiving ballots for the election of directors. Mary and her staff will review the notice for nominations and send to Michael for distribution to the membership. The schedule determined by the board is as follows:

- May 17th Email request to membership for Board of Director Nominations (due to Mary, Vance, or Bengy by June 1) and notice of Annual Business Meeting to be held Aug. 16th
- June 1st Acceptance of Nominations Closes
- June 8th Board Meeting, Nominating Committee presents slate of officers for Board review and approval
- June 15th Email Ballots to Membership with instructions and SWANA member number
- June 17th Date that is 60 days prior to Annual Business Meeting, Notices of Annual Business Meeting must be sent on or before this date
- Aug. 6th Last Day to receive ballots for Election

Aug. 16th Board Meeting, Annual Business Meeting, Results of Elections Verified

Sept. 1st Elected Directors take office

Mary informed the board that the National Road-e-o will be held at the Cape May County Municipal Authority Landfill, close to Atlantic City, New Jersey on September 29th. Mary also provided event calendars to the board in their packets.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is at College Station on June 8th at 2 pm.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 2:17 pm.

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TXSWANA Board Meeting

June 8, 2007, College Station, TX

College Station Conference Center

Attending – Mary Nix, Brenda Haney, Michael Rice, Vance Kemler, James Ballowe, Pete Caler, Richard McHale, Bengy Williams, Jeff Kaplan (by phone), Bill Hindman (by phone), David Ivory (by phone), Holly Holder, Ellen Smyth

Absent – Ron Smith, Paul Gosselink, Oscar Medina, Ken Anthony

Guests – Risa Fisher, Mike Carlton

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 2:20 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Vance Kemler to approve the minutes with a 2nd by Brenda Haney, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports with the board. Checking account ending balance was \$15,768.50 and savings account ending balance was \$15,184.14. Motion by Michael Rice to approve the financial reports as presented, 2nd by Vance Kemler. Motion passed. Brenda reviewed the budget report that was sent to the board.

CHAPTER BUSINESS: Vance discussed the notice of nominations for the board. This year the open positions are for the public sector. Next year the open positions will be for the board positions and for the private sector. Vance reviewed the nominations that were received and his contacts with each. The only nominee that he could not reach was Dale Sisney. The nominating committee met and recommends a slate that consists of nine directors: James Ballowe from New Braunfels, Pete Caler from College Station, Harry Hayes from Houston, David Ivory from Brownsville, Jeff Kaplan from Corpus Christi, Richard McHale from Austin, Oscar Medina from Laredo, Ellen Smyth from El Paso, and Bengy Williams from Beaumont. The nominating committee recommends an additional position to be filled from a list of Lonnie Banks from Garland, Victoria Hodge from Denton, David Dugger from Denton, or Dale Sisney from the Texoma Solid Waste Authority. The board discussed the proposed nominees received and recommended from the nominating committee. The final conclusion was to approve the slate as proposed by the nominating committee with the amendment of adding Lonnie Banks for a final slate of ten directors. Brenda Haney made a motion to approve the slate as amended, with a 2nd from Jeff Kaplan. Motion passed. The board then discussed the timing and process of providing the ballots to the membership. There was a lengthy discussion about the previous notice sent by email to the membership, and the advantages and disadvantages of the email process. The board agreed to email ballots to members with email addresses, and to mail ballots to the remaining members. Ballots accepted until August 6th.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Mary provided one application for a scholarship and forwarded it to Brenda Haney. Applications will be received until June 15th.

2007 ROAD-E-O UPDATE: Brenda announced that she was very pleased with the staff from College Station and Bryan and Texas A&M, and then Brenda left for the road-e-o registration at the host hotel. Pete identified that the only cost that was not in the budget was the cost of the trophies. Pete expects around \$6,000 in profit, not including the seed money.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE: No report. Postponed until July.

NEWSLETTER: A newsletter should be sent the middle of July and will include info on the road-e-o, a legislative update, and a SMART article.

SMART UPDATE: Tabled until July.

LEGISLATIVE and REGULATORY: Brian plans to be at the meeting in July for a legislative update. Mary did discuss H.B. 1251 and a letter to the Governor's office that addresses this bill. This originally addressed elimination of franchise fee for grease and grit trap waste. However, at the 11th hour, the bill received addition language that if a hauler was hauling C&D that they were exempt, and the bill passed. The letter from TxSWANA encouraged the Governor to veto the bill based upon the additional language. The governor must veto by June 17th or it will automatically become law. Vance received a call from the president of NSWMA and they encouraged TXSWANA to take the lead on killing this bill because they did not believe that they would be able to take the lead politically.

Mary reported on the MSW training from the TCEQ. On March 26th the State rescinded the C course. The new updated C course is now approved, effective June 1, 2007 along with the C course test.

Mary received a renewal notice for her MSW license from the TCEQ. This appears to be a new thing and it looks like a great idea.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Mary addressed the packets that she distributed, including the board roster and the calendar for board meetings. Mary informed the board that she has been contacted by Richard Carmichael about pressures that he has been getting from Robin Schneider to implement term limits. Richard is looking for comments on how to better report how many years of space is really remaining. There was board discussion on how to properly report landfill life, and there was a discussion on landfill capacity vs. landfill life.

The WasteCon conference hotel in Reno, NV has 2 of 3 towers already sold out.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is in Austin on July 19th at 10 am at the offices of Lloyd Gosselink.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm.

TXSWANA Board Meeting
July 19, 2007, Austin, TX
Law Offices of Lloyd, Gosselink, Blevins, Rochelle

Attending – Ron Smith, Mary Nix (by phone), Brenda Haney (by phone), Michael Rice, Vance Kemler, Pete Caler, Bengy Williams, Jeff Kaplan, Bill Hindman, David Ivory (by phone), Holly Holder, Ellen Smyth, Paul Gosselink, Oscar Medina, James Ballowe (by phone), Richard McHale

Absent – Ken Anthony

Guests – Risa Fisher, Mike Carlton, Victoria Hodge, Krystal Beckley

Call to Order: Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 10:20 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Brenda Haney to approve the minutes with a 2nd by Mary Nix, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports with the board. Checking account ending balance was \$16,691.15 and savings account ending balance was \$15,191.71. The financials on the Road-e-o are almost complete and Pete will close the account at that time and will send Brenda a check. Paul asked if the \$2,400 refund check from the caterers for the Annual Conference had been received and Brenda replied that it had. Motion by Bill Hindman to approve the financial reports as presented, 2nd by Holly Holder. Motion passed.

ELECTION STATUS: The ballots were sent to the membership by email and by USPS. Ballots are being received. 36 ballots have been received at this time and ballots will continue to be accepted until August 15th. 34 of the ballots are from email recipients and 2 of the ballots are from USPS recipients. There are currently 421 members in TxSWANA.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Brenda reported on the six scholarship applications received and recommended to the board that all six individuals be awarded \$1,000 scholarships. Two applicants are high school grads and four are in college. The list of the recommended individuals was sent electronically to the board yesterday and includes Emily Lehfeldt from Wichita Falls, Casey Rogers from Terrell, Stefani Hagerman from Amarillo, Hunter Davis from Granbury, Amanda Laughlin from Anderson, and Ann Smyth of Lubbock. Motion by Mary Nix, 2nd by Oscar Medina to proceed with the award of \$1,000 scholarships to all six names as submitted by the scholarship committee. Motion passed.

2007 ROAD-E-O: Pete reported that not much has changed since the last meeting. Brenda reported that she has received requests for the national registration fees for the 1st place winners from Bryan/College Station. Brenda requested that any other similar requests be sent to her so she can cut the checks.

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Oscar reported that the Holiday Inn will be the host hotel at \$89 rate. Laredo has secured 120 rooms at the Holiday Inn, the Marriott will be the overflow hotel with 30 rooms at \$69, and 50 rooms at La Posada at \$99. Oscar is negotiating the contract with the Convention Center. Monday night activities will be held in the vendors area. Sponsor letters will hopefully go out next week. Already getting calls from vendors wanting booths. They are also working on the technical sessions. There was a short discussion on technical sessions.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Michael reported on the July newsletter, and circulated a draft copy of the newsletter for the board to review and comment on. The 16 page newsletter is scheduled to go to print and be mailed on July 20th. All of the information on the newsletter will be sent to Adam in Dallas

for inclusion on the web site. The newsletter will include an article from Brian Sledge, a SMART article, a president's message, the ballot, a new members list, a list of road-e-o winners, a thanks to the road-e-o sponsors, an ad for RW Beck, and a personnel ad from the city of New Braunfels, an ad from CAT, and the calendar of events including the Annual meeting next month. All of this info will be forwarded to Adam in Dallas for placement on the TXSWANA web site.

33:00

SMART COMMITTEE: Victoria reported that the road-e-o went very well. There was one course that was very tight. Victoria addressed the equipment issue and asked if the equipment could be on site the night before in order to have time to become familiar with the controls. Victoria also asked about the possibility of adding the boom truck to the state road-e-o, even though that this equipment is not on the National road-e-o. Lee Little was asked to be the MC for the truck course and he willingly agreed and did a great job. Lee asked for a small amount of info on the drivers to discuss while they were on the course. Victoria expressed her gratitude for the opportunity for SMART to provide training at the annual conference, and during the conference Tom Parker talked to Victoria and expressed a desire for safety training at the national level. Victoria asked if there was a desire to provide safety training at the 2008 annual conference, and added that if the answer was yes that she recommends that training not extend past 2 pm on the last day due to the needs and desires of attendees to get home at a reasonable time. Bill added that Victoria's comments were good and that there should be consideration not to schedule training in conflict or competition with other courses at the conference.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY: Paul informed the board that today is Brian Sledge's 40th birthday. Paul addressed bill 1251. There was a brief discussion on licensing, including a lack of industry input in the process. This topic is on the MSW advisory committee agenda set for tomorrow's meeting. Mary suggested a face to face meeting with the licensing group prior to writing and/or sending any additional written comments. Paul reported that the Chapter 305 rules are scheduled for agenda action on July 25th according to the TCEQ web site. Paul had nothing additional to report on the 305 rules. Bill added that the MSW advisory committee had requested that they be provided the 305 rules for review and comment prior to submittal to the commissioners, and that hasn't happened yet. Bill reported on the agenda items for the MSW Advisory meeting on Friday. Paul reported there have been some changes in upper management in the TCEQ. Paul continued to discuss changes within TCEQ staffing and appointed positions. There was a recent court case dealing with the city of San Antonio where the courts of appeals ruled in the city's favor on annual permits for individual solid waste trucks that use city streets, where the case was based upon selective treatment (not discriminatory selection) of one of the permit holders, Texas Waste Systems. The legal authority of a city to require permits was not in question in this case. Bill reported there are 5 positions that expire in August on the MSW advisory committee. The deadline for submitting nominations for these positions has already passed. The board discussed the expiring positions and the board agreed to reconvene on this item after the MSW advisory committee meeting and Bill's investigation into which current members have a desire to be reappointed.

There was a break for lunch at 11:40 am and was the meeting was reconvened at 12:25 pm.

Brian Sledge sent an electronic copy of the end of 2007 session report to the board previously. Brian talked about HB 1251 for quite a while and explained the history of, and the current status of the bill. Brian addressed different types of wastes identified in the bill and gave his best understanding of the bill. Predicting how a court of law will interpret these new provisions of HB 1251 is uncertain at best. In summary, the ordinance does not allow cities to have exclusive contracts for liquid waste (grease trap, grit trap, sand trap, lint trap, and domestic septic wastes) haulers, but does allow for exclusive contracts for construction waste. Non-exclusive contracts may be required of all waste haulers by a city as part of franchise agreements and franchise requirements, and this includes liquid waste, based upon the city's current ordinance. Brian encouraged all cities to review their existing ordinances to insure that they do or do not need to be tweaked or updated, and each city should have their city attorney review their ordinances in association with HB 1251. The board entered into a discussion about the current situation

of various cities, the sharing the legal interpretation of HB 1251 with others (such as TXSWANA members and/or non-members), and the issue of sharing confidential and attorney client privileged information in general. The board agreed not to share the draft memo with others, and Brian committed to sending out a version of the memo that he was comfortable sharing with others. The board discussed the sharing of this info and agreed that the updated info should be available to current TXSWANA members, and should not be free to those who have not participated financially. The board discussed the bigger picture issue of if, when, and how to share privileged information with the TXSWANA members, and the waiver of privilege for legal research documents.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Ellen talked about the IB meeting in San Diego in June, and she attended the finance committee meeting in Vance's absence. The biggest discussion topic centered on SWANA's financial history since 9-11. At that time a reserve fund was created and funded through an additional \$4 of required dues, placed into the reserve account to reach a goal of 25% of projected future annual operating costs. We are now closer to reaching the 25% goal. The other SWANA committees are in search of expanding their programs, and John Skinner suggested using the dedicated \$4 for these committee requests. There was a board discussion on this issue. Another discussion centered on a future national meeting in Boston in 3 years, to co-op with APWA, and a lot of the details for this have not been completed. SWANA would not be able to make a conference work in Boston without outside help or support. Jeff Kaplan discussed this issue and followed with a motion that TXSWANA opposed to the use of the current \$4 dedicated fee for a use that it was not originally pledged, with a 2nd by Oscar. Discussion followed. Motion passed.

Ron talked about the previously held July EPA Roundtable meeting in Austin. There were discussions at the meeting on how things were accomplished in different states and there was sharing of information. The next meeting is tentatively planned for New Mexico.

There was a SWANA conference call that talked about the increase in membership, the web site, etc. Mary provided a handout on the conference call to the board. Date of International Road-e-o is posted on the SWANA website as Sept. 29th, co-sponsored by New Jersey and Mid-Atlantic chapters.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be an Annual Business Meeting and next Board meeting on August 16th in Dallas at 10 am at the Dallas Love Conference Center, the Dallas Room.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Meeting Minutes
TxSWANA Annual Business Meeting
16 August 2007
Love Field Conference Center, Dallas Room, Dallas, Texas

Attended: Nix, Smith, Haney, Rice, Caler, Williams, Kaplan (by phone), Hindman, Holder, Smyth, Gosselink, Medina, McHale – and one general member

I. Call to Order:

The meeting of the general membership was called to order by President Mary Nix at 10:02 am.

II. Approval of Minutes:

Secretary Michael Rice read the minutes of the previous annual meeting, held on 30 March 2006, in Austin, Texas. There was a motion by Paul Gosselink to approve the minutes as presented, with a second from Brenda Haney. The minutes were approved.

III. Financial Report:

Treasurer Brenda Haney reported the Chapter balances for the transition year and fiscal year 2006-2007 as follows:

Account Name	03/30/06 Report	08/31/07 Report
Checking	\$ 33,828.28	\$ 53,614.36
Savings	\$ 7,067.61	\$ 10,184.23
Investments w/SWANA	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Net Balance:	\$ 50,895.89	\$ 73,798.59

There was a motion by Bill Hindman to accept the reports as presented with a second from Pete Caler. The financial reports were accepted.

IV. Slate of Officers:

President and Nominating Committee Chair Mary Nix presented the proposed slate of officers as follows:

DIRECTORS

James Ballowe	Lonnie Banks
Pete Caler	Harry Hayes
David Ivory	Jeff Kaplan
Richard McHale	Oscar Medina
Ellen Smyth	Bengy Williams

Secretary Michael Rice reported that all valid ballots received were in support of the proposed slate of officers. A vote of the ballots combined with the current members present at the Annual Business meeting approved the slate of officers.

V. Other Business:

On behalf of the board of directors and the attendees at the 2007 Annual TXSWANA conference, Paul Gosselink presented an over due gift of appreciation to Mary Nix for her active participation in the 2007 TXSWANA Annual Conference in Austin.

VI. Adjourn:

The annual business meeting was adjourned at 10:17 am.

TXSWANA Board Meeting
August 16, 2007, Dallas, TX
Love Field Conference Center, Dallas Room

Attending – Ron Smith, Mary Nix, Brenda Haney, Michael Rice, Pete Caler, Bengy Williams, Jeff Kaplan (by phone), Bill Hindman, David Ivory (by phone), Holly Holder, Ellen Smyth, Paul Gosselink, Oscar Medina, Richard McHale, Vance Kemler, James Ballowe (by phone)

Absent – Ken Anthony

Guests – Risa Fisher, Victoria Hodge, David Dugger

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 10:18 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Paul to approve the minutes as submitted with a 2nd by Brenda Haney, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda reviewed financial reports with the board. Checking account ending balance was \$69,053.16 and savings account ending balance was \$15,191.71. Brenda noted that there was a dues replacement check from SWANA for a check that never cleared the bank. Road-e-o revenue was not received in July and should be received in September. Paul recommended that we check the math on the TXSWANA fund balances and expenses in comparison with TXSWANA's 501c3 status. There was a motion by Bill Hindman to approve the financial reports as presented, 2nd by Paul Gosselink. Motion passed.

SCHOLARSHIPS: All scholarship checks have been mailed, and all but one of the checks has been deposited. Bill had received a call, and others expressed their appreciation for the scholarships.

2007 ROAD-E-O: Pete presented a cashier's check to the board in the amount of \$13,138.14. The board expressed their gratitude for the great job that Pete and his staff did this year. Pete talked about the financials and briefly discussed an overage in the financial numbers that may be the result of a registration that was paid and may not be documented. James added that his employees really enjoyed the road-e-o this year and they are looking forward to the 2008 road-e-o. The 2008 Road-e-o may be in Abilene, but this location has not been finalized at this point. Mary requested that recommendations for the 2008 road-e-o location be brought to the board in the next 2 meetings.

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Oscar got the planning guide last month and asked about the conference planning committee. Mary informed Oscar that the host city sets this committee, with the coordination of the previous conference coordinator. TXSWANA has their funds in Regions bank, and they do not have a branch in Laredo. Mary asked Oscar to submit a draft budget at the next meeting, along with the requirements of the bank of choice prior to providing the seed money for the conference and setting up the conference bank account. Oscar has a rough draft of the letter to send out requesting attendees and sponsors for the conference and the golf tournament. There was a discussion on listing "ALL" sponsors vs. listing "A" sponsor for specific events, what type of recognition is made at the conference, and where or how sponsorship money is spent. Oscar has the exhibitor form ready. There was a suggestion that board members planning on attending the SWANA meeting in Reno should be prepared to solicit sponsors in Reno. Paul suggested the possibility of bumping the registration fee up \$5 to \$10 on an annual basis in order to raise additional funds. There was also a suggestion to extend an invitation to appropriate locations in Mexico.

1:01:30

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Michael reported on the newsletter that was distributed in July. A draft of the newsletter was distributed at the last board meeting, and this helped with editing the final version

of the newsletter before it went to print. Next newsletter is in October, and will probably be go to print after the national meeting in Reno, NV. Concerning the website, Michael was sending information to Adam at the wrong address, and this problem has been identified and corrected. There was a request to have Adam check all of the email links in order to make sure that they go to the correct location. There was a request to remove the animation on the front page. Oscar will need to coordinate with Adam on registration for the Annual Conference on the web site. Still need to check on a TXSWANA member only portal for the web site.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Ellen had no report at this time. Bengy reported that there are some regional meetings planned for Beaumont. Hope to have an update on this issue at the next board meeting.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY: Paul informed the board the 305 rules package is still outstanding, and has been moved to the November 7th agenda for the TCEQ. Bill added that he believes that this issue should be on the agenda for the next MSWAC meeting on October 5th. Paul suggested that we contact Soward about the current status of the rule package and a revisit of our position. A discussion followed on the replacement for White and possible candidates. Paul will attempt to set up a time to talk with Buddy Garcia with available board members, or possibly the next board meeting, and discuss solid waste. On the issue of licensing, Paul deferred to the board, and as far as Paul is aware it is still an issue. Ellen reported that 8 questions were tossed out of the last test her staff had, and this resulted in passing scores. Ellen suggested setting up a meeting on licensing with TCEQ. Denton reported they were informed the test situation should be resolved prior to their class scheduled in September. There was a discussion about the updates of credit hours for individuals that attended the Austin conference, and they are not showing up on the web site. Paul addressed two rule making requests on 2 current permit landfill permit modifications where the protestants asked “whether there will be any adverse health effects on the requestors and their families”, and this appears to be above and beyond the requirements. However, the ruling is it does apply due to the commission’s responsibility to address public health.

There was a break for lunch at 12:15 pm and was the meeting was reconvened at 12:50 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS: After lunch Mary asked Bill to discuss the 5 open positions (Bob Gregory, H C Clark, Mark Rose, Jim Wyatt, & Dave Yanke) on the MSWAC due to his schedule and his need to leave shortly. All 5 applicants, whose terms expire August 31st, have applied for reappointment. In addition, there are 2 additional positions that have become vacant due to resignations. Bill encouraged Risa Fisher to apply due to these recent changes. At the last board meeting the group agreed to support all of the 5 current members excluding Mark Rose. Brenda reaffirmed this position of supporting the 4 positions with added support for Risa as number 5. There was a discussion about the open positions. There was a consensus, by lack of opposition, for TXSWANA to support Bob Gregory, H C Clark, Jim Wyatt, Dave Yanke, & Risa Fisher. Mary plans to prepare a letter of support.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY (continued): The other rule making issue is more technical in nature. The new rule addresses overliners, or equivalent. This is the cover between pre subtitle D and post subtitle D waste areas. There was a proposal to change the existing slope from 2%-3% to around 5%-6% to improve drainage, which has the potential to minimize drainage problems caused by potential settling. Therefore, there is a request for a guidance document to address this issue and determine if it is worthy for this to occur. There was a lengthy discussion about the options and whether the fill could be dirt, existing waste, new waste, C&D waste, possible designs, etc. It is undetermined what position the TCEQ staff will take on this issue. There was support for the use of C&D waste for this purpose.

HB 1251. Not aware of anything that has transpired since last month related to this issue. No one had any additional information to add on this topic.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated.

OTHER BUSINESS: Richard Carmichael has asked TXSWANA to participate on his own advisory group to discuss ground water issues at their next meeting on September 11th. At the next board meeting Mary will put out a roster with your current info so please send any updates to Mary. Mary plans to review the calendar at the next board meeting. Mary has the current committee listing and plans on making assignments for next fiscal year and encouraged the board to provide input.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be on September 20th in Austin at the offices of Paul Gosselink.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.

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TXSWANA Board Meeting

September 20, 2007, Austin, TX

Law Offices of Lloyd, Gosselink

Attending – Mary Nix (by phone), Ron Smith, Michael Rice, Vance Kemler (by phone), James Ballowe, Lonnie Banks, Pete Caler, Paul Gosselink, Harry Hayes, Bill Hindman, Holly Holder (by phone), David Ivory (by phone), Jeff Kaplan, Richard McHale, Oscar Medina, Ellen Smythe

Absent – Brenda Haney, Bengy Williams

Guests – Risa Fisher, Christina Lara, Sonia Munoz, Terry Thompson, Ruby Herber, Mike Carlton

Call to Order: Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Ron brought the meeting to order and briefly discussed the topic of training. Ron then handed over this segment of the meeting to Ellen for further discussion, which began with an introduction of those present. Ellen asked the TCEQ staff to discuss the current status of the licensing. Terry Thompson discussed implementation dates, and provided a handout that outlined the significant rule revisions for all licenses. These become effective 9/27/07. Effective 1/01/08 the fee will increase from \$105 to \$111 for a 3 year solid waste license. The old “D” license has been eliminated, but they do not want the D course to go away for training and continuing education credit uses. If there is a conflict between a Permit Requirement and the rules, the Permit will govern. The TCEQ will now allow operators to hold more than 1 license. New training will need to be developed to comply with the new rules, specifically for facilities. The TCEQ wants to develop a work group of all interested parties in order to work on training development. TCEQ has received the MOLO course for SWANA and they are conducting a review at this time. A question was asked about the creation of a composting course in order to acquire a license in order to comply with the rules. That area is still in process. Ellen addressed the A test that was taken in El Paso in July and Terry responded that the A test has been revised as a result of the problems encountered. All comments addressing training should be directed to Linda Saldino. There have been numerous questions on CEUs for license renewal. In the MSW arena there is a need to go out of state to acquire hours, and when this happens the TCEQ needs the organization providing the training to submit info to the agency for prior approval. Verification to document attendance for credit is helpful. Discussion followed. There is a need to have approved credit hours posted. A lengthy discussion followed on the process and possible improvements that would be beneficial to everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Bill Hindman to approve the minutes as submitted with a 2nd by James Ballowe, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: There was no official financial report. The financial report was submitted to the board electronically. Mary moved to table the approval of the monthly financial reports until the next board meeting. Amendment to the Annual Financial Report was also submitted electronically. Mary moved for approval of the Amended Final Fiscal Year Financial Report. Motion by Mary Nix and 2nd by Bill Hindman to approve. Motion passed. All other financial issues were tabled until the October meeting.

GROUNDWATER RULES: There was a discussion led by Holly Holder about a recent meeting on groundwater. This meeting was held by Richard Carmichael to address current concerns and questions with groundwater. There were around 20 TCEQ staff and around 15 non-staff members present at the meeting. Richard began with a history of how we got to where we are today on the rules. The meeting was held with an open forum allowing all to speak. Mary forwarded Holly’s minutes of the meeting to the board. The rules set 600 feet well spacing along the point of compliance, and there is a question of what is this point of compliance. There is an allowance for other spacing options with demonstration,

but there is no direction on how to provide a demonstration that the TCEQ will accept. Several in attendance spoke with their concerns and comments. The meeting lasted around 1-1/2 hours. The TCEQ did not offer any response to requests for clarification, and they were only taking comments. In closing, Richard suggested setting up a user group, and said that they would be glad to receive all comments. In summary, this appeared to be a non-meeting and only provided input to the agency without any response or direction from the TCEQ. This issue will affect all landfills. Mary suggested the technical sub-committee take this topic, receive comments from the members and others, and draft a letter for the president's signature to address these concerns. This issue has a March 2008 deadline. Ron asked Holly to get the technical committee together to discuss this issue, and report at the next board meeting.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Mary is drafting committee assignments and plans on sending these out by email later.

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Oscar introduced Christi and Sonia from Laredo. They met with Marlena yesterday and the meeting went well. Oscar suggested a conference committee of Ron Smith, Paul Gosselink, David Ivory, Jeff Kaplan, Oscar Medina, Paul Bass (from Corpus), and Richard McHale. Oscar has a preliminary budget to present and his budget closely follows the last conference. Oscar needs to get the bank account set up, and he needs the articles of incorporation and our tax I.D. Post cards are set to go out mid October, and Registration is set to go out in December. Mary suggested that the mail outs be sent to the board in advance in order to make any changes needed. The registration fee has been increased \$5. Oscar still wants to get with Ron on the golf course. Frank Kiolbasa has volunteered to coordinate the CEUs for the conference. Mary suggested that we check on this prior to having a non-board member assigned with this task. Oscar will get with Victoria on the SMART training. Oscar and Christi talked about the events that are scheduled and their locations. There was a discussion about buffet vs. table service. Further discussion centered around food service and the speaker, and there was no objection by the board for buffet service for the meals.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Ellen reported that there has not been a lot of progress on the regional meetings. Bill reported that there is a metro-plex meeting scheduled for the Dallas area on Sept. 28th.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Newsletter will come out after the Reno conference in October. Articles include the SMART committee, Brian's article, CAT ad, another possible ad, and space for the Laredo Conference.

There was a break for lunch at 11:55 pm and was the meeting was reconvened at 12:45 pm.

CHAPTER BUSINESS

2008 ROAD-E-O: Ron announced that the board is looking for a location for the 2008 road-e-o. Ellen with El Paso considered hosting the 2008 road-e-o. Harry Hayes volunteered to host the 2008 road-e-o in Houston. Houston was confirmed as the 2008 road-e-o site. The discussion included a tentative date of June for the 2008 road-e-o.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Action items from the previous board meeting were reviewed, discussed and updated. A letter from the TXSWANA president recommending candidates for appointment and reappointment to the MSWAC was distributed for review, and discussion followed. Michael promised to send the Annual Business Meeting minutes to the Board for review without any planned action until the next scheduled Annual Business Meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: Ron reviewed the calendar for future Board meetings. Oct. 17th in Reno, NV. November meeting will be in Corpus Christi. There will not be a meeting in Dec. Jan. 24th in Laredo.

Feb. 21st in Dallas at CP&Y offices. March meeting is in Laredo during conference. April 17th in Houston. May 15th in Austin. June 19th in Dallas at Risa Fisher's conference room, hosted by Garland.

There was a short recess in the meeting in anticipation of Paul's arrival and report. The meeting resumed at 1:20 pm.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY: Paul reported on the 305 rules that there has still not been any kitchen cabinet meeting at this point in time. There was a short discussion on licensing and what had been covered at the beginning of the board meeting with the TCEQ staff. Paul reported that he has not been able to set up a meeting with Buddy Garcia, but he passed on that Richard Carmichael is willing to attend TxSWANA board meetings wherever they are. The board recommended that Richard be encouraged to attend the Annual Conference in Laredo, with additional plans to attend the board meeting in Laredo. Paul still plans on discussing the health effects rule with Ashley. Discussion followed. The board agreed to authorize Paul to represent the Board on this topic and present its concerns.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be on October 17, in Reno, NV.

The TXSWANA meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

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TXSWANA Board Meeting

October 17, 2007

WasteCon, Room A19, Reno, NV

Attending – Mary Nix, Ron Smith (by phone), Michael Rice, Vance Kemler, James Ballowe, Pete Caler, Paul Gosselink (by phone), Harry Hayes, Bill Hindman (by phone), Holly Holder (by phone), Jeff Kaplan, Richard McHale, Oscar Medina (by phone), Bengy Williams (by phone)

Absent – Ellen Smyth, David Ivory, Brenda Haney, Lonnie Banks

Guests – Kevin Yard, Scott Lepsack from Denton

Call to Order: Mary Nix called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Pete, 2nd by Richard to accept the minutes as amended, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mary brought a report on the financials based upon information provided by Brenda. All financial information will be tabled until the November board meeting.

CHAPTER BUSINESS

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Mary reviewed the proposed committee assignments with the board.

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Oscar identified that the Sunday prior to the conference is Easter Sunday. Mary suggested that the conference be moved to March 30th in order to avoid any conflict with Easter. Oscar will check with the hotels and see if moving the date creates any problems and will report his findings. Oscar still needs to get the bank account set up. Oscar sent out the latest version on the post card for review to the conference committee. Mary asked Oscar to send out a group email with the findings of the conference date change.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Newsletter will come out after the Reno conference in October. Articles include the SMART committee, Brian's article, CAT ad, another possible ad, and space for the Laredo Conference. There was a discussion on the possibility of emailing job posting to the membership.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Mary reported that Ron Smith is the new chair for the regional meetings, and there is not a current report at this time.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY: Paul reported that the rumor is that Brian Shaw, a professor from Texas A&M, is the front runner for the open TCEQ commissioner position. He will bring air expertise to the commission. No report on 305 rules. Paul met with Ashley, and commissioner Soward invited himself into the meeting, and this worked well. Paul reported that commissioner Soward did not appreciate TxSWANA's concerns until they were explained better. Mary asked Bill to lay out the changes in the 305 rules with suggested comments for the November board meeting.

Bill addressed the current groundwater issues. Bill got with Holly and put together comments that could be sent to the TCEQ. Bill said that there are several issues that need to be addressed, including the acceptance of demonstrations other than fate and transport models, guidance on what types of demonstrations are acceptable, the 600 feet nominal well spacing, and measurements around the corner of permitted sites. Kevin Yard added that the time of travel from the boundary of the waste unit to the point of compliance could be in excess of 100 years. In addition, ground water could be non-existent or

poor quality. Bill understands that you must have plan submitted to the TCEQ by March 29, 2008, but you don't have to have the wells in on that date.

2008 ROAD-E-O: Harry reported that he has talked with Dan Guterrez about the road-e-o, and there was a discussion about the budgets and monetary projections. Harry would like a historical outline of previous road-e-o events. Pete volunteered to send his 2007 road-e-o financial records to Harry. Harry doesn't see any issues that can not be resolved. Mary asked Ron to send Harry the 2006 road-e-o financial records.

OTHER BUSINESS

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Reviewed, discussed and updated.

NEW BUSINESS: Bill discussed the open MSW advisory committee positions, and there appears to be seven open positions at this time. Mary reviewed these positions and the board's supported nominations.

David Ivory is no longer working for the city of Brownsville, but he is working as a consultant for the city of Brownsville. Brownsville recommends that David Ivory be allowed to continue to serve on the board. Discussion followed.

Vance reported on the IB meeting that was held over the weekend. SWANA has the largest membership this year. There is a proposal from the membership committee to fund an effort to attract an additional 10%. Hot topics included the surface transportation board that controls rail operations in the US, to load and transport waste without complying with the Sub-title D requirements and with state requirements. SWANA has a resolution supporting local and state regulations for the transport of all solid waste. Another item is a statement from SWANA addressing flow control as an effective tool for the solid waste management industry. The last issue was an attempt by some to use the \$4 fee, dedicated for financial reserves, for other purposes. Vance suggested that a back up IB representative begin to accompany him during his IB meetings in order to plan for office succession. Mary asked the board to bring their thoughts on this to the next board meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be on November 29th, in Corpus Christi.

The TxSWANA meeting was adjourned at 3:53 pm.

TXSWANA Board Meeting

November 29, 2007

Corpus Christi Airport, Corpus Christi, TX

Attending – Ron Smith, Brenda Haney, Michael Rice, Vance Kemler (by phone), James Ballowe, Lonnie Banks, Paul Gosselink (by phone), Harry Hayes, Bill Hindman, Holly Holder, Jeff Kaplan, Richard McHale, Oscar Medina, Bengy Williams

Absent – Mary Nix, Pete Caler, David Ivory, Ellen Smyth

Guests – Richard Carmichael, Paul Bass, Felicia Thibodeaux, Mike Carlton, Risa Fisher

Call to Order: Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 10:02 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There was a discussion on the minutes. Motion by Jeff Kaplan, 2nd by Oscar Medina to accept the minutes as amended, motion passed.

Jeff took a moment and introduced Paul Bass to the board.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Brenda discussed the updated financial reports beginning with August 2007. Brenda reviewed the annual 2006-2007 financial report, and the monthly financial reports for September and October. There was a motion to accept the financial reports as presented by Bill Hindman with a 2nd from Harry Hayes, motion passed. Brenda updated the board on the status of lobbying expenses and their impact on TxSWANA.

CHAPTER BUSINESS

DISCUSSION WITH RICHARD CARMICHAEL: Richard addressed the board and informed the group that there will not be any new guidance documents without Commissioner approval. Richard addressed the groundwater monitoring issue. Bill discussed the fate and modeling issue and that it currently appears to be the only acceptable method of alternate demonstration when there are other methods available. Richard commented that the fate and transport modeling would be nice, and they recognize that other methods are available such as multi-dimensional modeling. The demonstration is site specific. March 26th, 2008 is the deadline for the groundwater Permit Mod submittal. An implementation schedule may be submitted with the mod. A discussion on reporting limits followed. Richard's concern is that whatever limit is used, there should be an increase before the triggering of additional corrections. The meeting on this topic is set for the near future.

Richard reported that the 305 rules revision is on schedule. It has been adopted as a proposal. The comment period was extended to January 8th for public hearing, and January 15th for written comments. The MSWAC meets January 11th. They have not made new appointments to the MSWAC board at this point. Nominations are closed and there were a lot of applicants. TCEQ was asked to open 305.43 to clarify applicant, permittee, owner, and operator, and it is currently open. A legislative conference call was set up for Wednesday, Dec. 5th at 9 am to discuss these issues and action thereon.

There was a discussion on mulching operations. The 328 rules are moving forward and there is a push to expand these rules. Need to comment through Wayne if we have any. The concept paper should be available on the web. This would apply to any recycler who stores combustible materials outside. Paul recommended that someone be assigned to read the concept paper and report at the next board meeting. Risa volunteered to review the concept paper and comment on them to the board.

Paul was asked to find a time when Commissioner Garcia would be available to attend a TxSWANA board meeting, but there is an invitation for a portion of the board to meet with him on either 12/4 @

9:30, 12/7 @ 2, 1/7 @ 10, or 1/8 @ 10. Paul is available on all dates, but suggested 12/7 as the date of choice. Tentative meeting was set for 12/7 @ 2 pm.

Paul discussed the health effect rules, and the board has conceptually agreed to move forward on this issue. Paul reviewed orally the petition for rulemaking that was part of the meeting packet. Vance made a motion for the board to approve the petition for modifications for rules 330.1(a) and 330.57(d), 2nd by Brenda, motion passed with 1 abstain. No budget is required for this item.

Richard announced that the TCEQ trade fair is coming up at the end of April. Richard is requesting ideas for presentation that should be provided and/or presentations that we would provide. Risa suggested BMPs for mulch site management.

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Oscar asked if everyone received the post cards. Oscar needs the signed letter from Mary to include in the packet. There was discussion on how the SMART committee training attendees will register for the conference. The board agreed that the SMART registration would include the Monday evening event, but not the conference. Golf tournament is moving along and they are looking at the country club course. Brenda has provided a check to Laredo for the conference. Brenda made a motion that **Sonia Munoz, Oscar Medina, and Ron Smith** be authorized to sign checks for the conference from the International Bank of Commerce, 2nd by Bill Hindman, motion passed unanimously. Oscar discussed the events night. Oscar is evaluating shirts vs t-shirts for the conference. Everything is moving along, and the tours are coming together.

2008 ROAD-E-O: Harry talked about the 2008 road-e-o, and the big question is the date. Harry is talking with Frank Lopez about the road-e-o. Harry asked for input on the week for the road-e-o in June. Bill suggested not conflicting with TPWA meeting. June 20 & 21 is the suggested date for the 2008 Road-e-o.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:05, and was reconvened at 12:35.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Michael reported that the October newsletter went out at the very end of October. There were three paid ads in the October issue. The next newsletter issue will be in January and the deadline for getting articles and ads into the January newsletter is January 10th.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: No Report

ANNUAL REPORT STATUS UPDATE: Brenda & Michael reported that the reports are under construction and will be submitted to SWANA prior to December 31, 2007.

OTHER BUSINESS

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Ron reported that the committee assignments have been made and if anyone would like to make any changes please forward those requests to Ron.

ACTION ITEM UPDATE: Reviewed, discussed and updated.

NEW BUSINESS:

A discussion took place on what action to take in response to the meeting with Richard Carmichael. Paul suggested that there is not a reason to not send a letter to Richard on the groundwater rules. It was mentioned that during this meeting with Richard he informed the board that the groundwater rules is an opportunity to redesign the groundwater monitoring system. Richard also agreed that this is a "site specific" issue. Bill will revise the proposed letter to Richard on the groundwater rules.

Brenda discussed the annual budget for the current year. Everyone was asked to review the proposed budget for discussion and action at the next board meeting.

Jeff talked about the composting guidelines and what is happening around the country. Risa will put together guidance based upon national associations and will put this together for the newsletter and the web site.

NEXT MEETING: There will not be a board meeting in December. Next meeting will be on January 24th, 2008 in Laredo at 10:00 am.

The TxSWANA meeting was adjourned at 1:07 pm.

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Action Items from April 19, 2007 Board Meeting

Updates as of 4/19/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 4/19/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
M. Nix	New	Review the TXSWANA bylaws in relation to the pending election of the board and the timing of elections with the Annual Meeting. Mary will review the bylaws and will send her summary to the board.

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Action Items from May 10, 2007 Board Meeting
Updates as of 5/10/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 5/10/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
M. Nix	Complete	Review the TXSWANA bylaws in relation to the pending election of the board and the timing of elections with the Annual Meeting. Mary will review the bylaws and will send her summary to the board.

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Action Items from June 8, 2007 Board Meeting
Updates as of 6/8/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 6/08/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart

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Action Items from July 19, 2007 Board Meeting
Updates as of 7/19/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 7/19/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
B. Sledge	New	Review and revise the HB 1251 legislative update
A. Jochelson	New	Check on the availability of a Members Only portal for the TxSWANA web site

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***Action Items* from August 16, 2007 Board Meeting**
Updates as of 8/16/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 8/16/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
B. Sledge	Complete	Review and revise the HB 1251 legislative update
A. Jochelson	On-Going	Check on the availability of a Members Only portal for the TxSWANA web site

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***Action Items* from September 20, 2007 Board Meeting**

Updates as of 9/20/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 9/20/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
A. Jochelson	On-Going	Check on the availability of a Members Only portal for the TxSWANA web site. Adam has informed the board that he has the ability to provide a portal for the board members. Board agreed to have one generic access code.
B. Hindman	New	Tech. Committee plans to meet on the Groundwater rules and provide an update to the Board at the next board meeting in Reno.
M. Nix	New	Send Richard Carmichael a schedule of future TxSWANA meetings, and encourage his attendance in Laredo in March.

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***Action Items* from October 17, 2007 Board Meeting**
Updates as of 10/17/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 10/17/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
A. Jochelson	On-Going	Check on the availability of a Members Only portal for the TxSWANA web site. Adam has informed the board that he has the ability to provide a portal for the board members. Board agreed to have one generic access code.
B. Hindman	Complete	Tech. Committee plans to meet on the Groundwater rules and provide an update to the Board at the next board meeting in Reno.
M. Nix	Complete	Send Richard Carmichael a schedule of future TxSWANA meetings, and encourage his attendance in Laredo in March.

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Action Items from November 29, 2007 Board Meeting

Updates as of 11/29/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 11/29/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
A. Jochelson	On-Going	Check on the availability of a Members Only portal for the TxSWANA web site. Adam has informed the board that he has the ability to provide a portal for the board members. Board agreed to have one generic access code.
B. Hindman	On-Going	Revise letter to Richard Carmichael from TxSWANA on the Groundwater rules based upon the November Board meeting with Richard and Board discussion.
M. Rice B. Haney	On-Going	Complete and Send Annual Reports to SWANA by December 31, 2007.
R. Fisher	New	Review the Chapter 328 Rules concept paper and provide comments to the Board at the next Board Meeting.
Board	New	Review the proposed budget for next year and be ready to discuss and take action at the next board meeting.

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Action Items from January 11, 2007 Board Meeting
 Updates as of 1/11/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 1/11/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
R. Smith	Complete	Research possible TXSWANA revenue options, including increasing the \$20 membership surcharge.
P. Gosselink	Complete	Send letter to TCEQ as part of the TXSWANA Legislative Committee concerning “creep and add” on the Transfer Station SOP Template and the GWSAP background data creation time line.
B. Haney/ M. Rice	Complete	Complete and submit Annual Reports to SWANA by December 31, 2006.
Board	On-Going	Make contact assignments as determined on the 2006 Conference Vendor’s list for Annual Conference
B. Haney	On-Going	Chart Expenses against the budget and distribute to Board.
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
B. Haney	On-Going	Contact National and check on comparison of TxSWANA with other Chapter’s Annual Financial Reports
B. Haney	On-Going	Check on the status of the D&O insurance with National
M. Rice	On-Going	Send Newsletter Advertising information to the Board

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Action Items from February 8, 2007 Board Meeting

Updates as of 2/08/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 2/08/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
Board	On-Going	Make contact assignments as determined on the 2006 Conference Vendor's list for Annual Conference
B. Haney	On-Going	Chart Expenses against the budget and distribute to Board.
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
B. Haney	On-Going	Contact National and check on comparison of TXSWANA with other Chapter's Annual Financial Reports. Brenda will confer with Vance, our IB board member.
B. Haney	Complete	Check on the status of the D&O insurance with National
M. Rice	Complete	Send Newsletter Advertising information to the Board

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Action Items from March 28, 2007 Board Meeting

Updates as of 3/28/2007

<u>Resp. Party</u>	<u>Status, as of 3/28/07</u>	<u>Description of Action Item</u>
B. Haney	On-Going	Chart Expenses against the budget and distribute to Board.
M. Rice	On-Going	Update Board Member Attendance Chart
B. Haney	On-Going	Contact National and check on comparison of TXSWANA with other Chapter's Annual Financial Reports. Brenda will confer with Vance, our IB board member.

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