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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Corpus Christi, TX

Friday February 16, 2018 10:30 a.m. Central Time

Present: David McCary, Richard McHale, Jeff Mayfield, Elvira Alonzo, Brenda Haney, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Jeff Reed

Phone: Morris Williams Jr. Ellen Smyth, Harry Hayes, Michael Rice, Catrennia Williamson

Absent: Lonnie Banks, Holly Holder, Frank Pugsley

Guests: Tiana Lightfoot-Svendsen, Lana Wylie, Mike Carlton, Ty Embrey

CALL TO ORDER: David McCary called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m., Central Time. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Lawrence Mikolajczyk to approve the minutes for the January 19, 2018 meeting. Richard McHale seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Morris Williams, Jr. presented the financial reports for January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2018. Morris reported the financial report balances for January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2018 for each account were as follows: \$172,248.52 for the checking account, \$30,268.16 for the savings account, \$43,766.17 for the conference account, and \$10,000.00 for the State Road-e-o account. Morris noted he accidentally charged a personal meal at Logan's Roadhouse using his TxSWANA debit card on January 22, 2018 in the amount of \$70.00. He identified this error when reconciling the January 2018 checking account and stated he deposited \$70.00 of his personal funds into the checking account on February 15, 2018. Morris first informed the board of the error via an email dated February 14, 2018. Motion made by Brenda Haney to approve the January 31, 2018 financial report, seconded by Harry Hayes. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

2018 TxSWANA Conference (Denton) – Lana Wylie reported 22 technical presentations were received and there are 20 sponsors signed up. Lana noted she will email Brenda Haney the list of potential sponsors that haven't responded for further follow up.

2018 Road-E-O Site (El Paso) – Ellen Smyth reported the t-shirts and belt buckles were ordered and preparation for the event is on schedule.

Newsletter/Website – Michael Rice reported the winter newsletter recently was distributed. The Spring edition of the newsletter will be distributed after the annual conference and will feature a recap of the conference and a reminder of the upcoming road-e-o. Due to a potential technical issue with the email transmitting the newsletter, Frank Pugsley will be requested to resend the newsletter.

Legislative/Regulatory –Jeff Reed reported Richard Hyde announced his retirement as Executive Director of the TCEQ in April. A successor has not been selected at this time. He also followed up on a comment raised at the January board meeting regarding the potential that special conditions will not be included in future MSW permits. He spoke with TCEQ’s Chance Goodin who noted that is not a blanket policy and that special conditions may be included on a case by case basis. Jeff noted oral arguments for the Laredo bag ban case were held in January; now waiting for a Texas Supreme Court ruling. The Rancho Viejo Landfill permit application is technically complete. No update to report on the New Source Performance Standards rules.

Ty Embrey reported that on January 23, the House Environmental Regulation Subcommittee on Air Quality and Municipal Landfills conducted a hearing with various industry stakeholders, including Holly Holder and Michael Rice on behalf of TxSWANA. Ty noted another hearing will be held in April regarding potential legislation necessary to improve the solid waste industry.

IB Report – Brenda Haney provided an update on behalf of Frank Pugsley. She briefed the board on the proposed restructuring of SWANA national board representation as outlined in the email Frank sent to the board members on February 13, 2018. A motion to vote in favor of the proposed SWANA national board restructure was made by Richard McHale, seconded by Jeff Mayfield and passed unanimously. A review of SWANA policy MA-21 regarding roles and responsibilities between SWANA national and chapters hosting WASTECON and specialty symposia in being performed at the national level. Proposed changes were included in the February 13, 2018 email sent by Frank Pugsley to the board. Brenda will seek clarification that the prohibition period between national and chapter events is for like events.

Young Professional – David McCary briefed the board on a survey he would like to send out focusing on TxSWANA Young Professionals. Tiana Lightfoot-Svendsen reported the YP networking event will be held on Monday night at 9 p.m., the first night of the conference.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m. Central time.

Safety – Brenda Haney reported the SMART Committee requested feedback regarding what safety issues board members are seeing in their operations and what should be topics of focus for the safety track at the annual conference. Backing, and cell phone practices and policies were two topics noted.

OTHER BUSINESS:

New Board Membership – The board discussed the potential of a retreat to discuss potential new board members. David McCary will set up a conference call with board Officers in the next several weeks for the purpose of developing an agenda for the retreat.

Discussion on China Ban & Impact – There was a discussion on the impact of the China contamination requirements on cities. No action was taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: - There were no announcements.

ACTION ITEMS:

Rolling Action Items Until Complete: Brenda Haney noted she will send an email to the board regarding how many driver simulations can be held at a session.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m., Central Time.

NEXT MEETING:

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. Central time on Friday March 23, 2018, in Dallas at the Dallas Love Field Airport Board Room.