



Texas Groundwater Association Annual Board Meeting

Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, Lubbock, TX
Thursday, January 30, 2025, 5 p.m.

- 1. Call to order Board Meeting – Board President, presiding officer**
The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. by Chris Lange, TGWA President.

- 2. Division Reports – Division Chairs**
 - *Jaythan Browning presented the elected board members for the Contractors and Drillers Division.*
 - *Jason Yonce presented the elected board members for the Manufacturers & Suppliers Division.*
 - *Amy Bush presented the elected board members for the Ground Water Science Division.*

- 3. Election of Board Secretary**
Bob Hill made a motion to elect Josh Barrett as Board Secretary. Jason Yonce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 4. Discussion and possible action on approval of minutes of the November 2, 2024, board meeting**
Josh Barrett made a motion to approve the 11/2/24 board meeting minutes. Jaythan Browning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Discussion and possible action on financial reports – Finance Committee Chair**
Mike Pyburn presented a financial report to the board.

- 6. TGWA Scholarship Foundation Report – TGWA Scholarship Foundation President**
Jim Jackson updated the board on the proceeds from the 2025 Auction and Gun Raffle. Jackson noted that the Scholarship Foundation board will continue to find new ways to build up the TGWA Scholarship Foundation finances. The Foundation board announced that they had voted to change the scholarship application opening date to April 15.

- 7. Committee Reports**
 - *Executive – Bobby Bazan*
 - *Legislative – Mike Pyburn and Bobby Bazan*

- *Convention – Bob Hill thanked everyone who worked on the Lubbock convention. The 2026 TGWA Convention will be in San Marcos, Texas.*
- *Auction & Raffle – Chris Lange*
- *Continuing Education – Amy Bush noted that the 2025 Convention had several new CE classes, and encouraged board members and TGWA members to share their feedback about what classes they enjoyed and what classes they would like to see in the future. The Geoscience Seminar team is also working to have the 2025 event offer CE hours for drillers.*
- *Membership – Tiffany Lange thanked the board and members for inviting others to join TGWA. Lange said the Friday night social on May 2 will be another opportunity to involve groundwater professionals in the College Station area. For the month of February, any non-members who attended the Convention in Lubbock will receive a discount to become a TGWA member. TGWA is also planning for the Summer Board Meeting and Family Weekend in Port Aransas from July 18-20.*
- *Awards – Josh Barrett*
- *Bylaws – Josh Barrett*
- *Nominating*

8. Other Business

- *TWA (formerly TWCA) – Annual Convention March 5-7, 2025 in Austin, TX – TGWA staff will be in attendance at that Convention. Rodney Ball made a motion to approve, and Justin Brisnahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*
- *NGWA Fly-In – March 25-26, 2025 in Washington D.C.- William McPike discussed this upcoming event as an opportunity to connect with policymakers and legislative staff in D.C.*
- *TDLR Advisory Council seeks Public Member – Bobby Bazan asked the board and TGWA members to spread the word that the TDLR Water Well Drillers and Pump Installers Advisory Council is seeking an individual to fill the vacant Public Member seat.*
- *Texas State Technical College – Bobby Bazan said TGWA is in the early stages of discussions with TSTC about a program to educate young people interested in groundwater careers. Board members noted that other states may have similar programs that TGWA could use as a model.*

9. Next Board Meeting

The next TGWA board meeting will be on May 3, 2025, at the Cavalry Court Hotel in College Station, TX.

10. Adjournment of Board Meeting

Chris Lange adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.