



**TEXAS GROUND WATER ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Saturday, May 21, 2022, 10:00 am**

MINUTES

1. Call to order – William McPike, President

William called the meeting to order at 10:13am with the following directors in attendance: Josh Barrett, John Julian, John Waugh, Don McElroy, Bill Stoner, Dennis Kern, Robert “Bob” Hill, Roger Russell, Mike Pyburn, Pete Brien, Ross Smart, Robert Wagstaff, Patrick Casarez, Jim Jackson, Terry Lowe, Jimmy Vela, Billy Lange, Clark Abel, Andrew Bettle, David Dennett, Lacey Nivens, Jaythan Browning, Jason Yonce, Alex Neely, Chris Lange, Vickie Ross, Mike Melancon, Dake Jackson, Ruben Reyna, Rusty Tarver, Allan Standen, Kelley Cochran, Chase Crane, Brad Davis, Bill Stein, Robert Dilldine, and William McPike. We were led in prayer by Pete Brien and the pledge of allegiance.

2. Discussion and possible action on the approval of January 2022 board minutes

Bill Stoner moved, and Patrick Casarez seconded the motion to approve minutes of the January board meeting, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on election of Treasurer

Stacey reported that Mike Pyburn stepped down as treasurer to serve on the WWDAC. He will remain on the board but cannot be an officer. Mike moved to elect Don McElroy as the treasurer to serve the remaining six months in 2022, Terry Lowe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Discussion and possible action on ratification of C&D Division Chair

Roger Russell also had to step down as the C&D Division Chair to serve on the WWDAC. The C&D Division elected Chris Lange to serve as the C&D Division Chair. John Julian moved, and Bob Hill seconded the motion to ratify the election of Chris Lange as C&D Division Chair, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action on TGWA financial reports, draft 2022-2023 Budget, membership dues, and creation of TGWA management committee

Mike provided the update on the finances. He plans to stay involved in the finance committee. Mike credited Don helping form the finance committee. Mike gave an overview of the balance sheet showing \$150,000 in total assets. We are up about 10% from this time last year. FY comparison is not apples to apples because we had two conventions in the same FY. CE income is down, and we are \$40K under budget in CE. We also need to look at membership dues, as we have not raised them since 2015, and only went up a small percentage then. We need to come back with a recommendation on dues at the next board meeting. Finally, Mike gave an overview of the draft budget. The proposed budget includes reduced CE income by \$20K. William is planning on putting

together a transition committee to discuss management of TGWA. There was a long discussion about the agreement. Two motions followed:

- First motion: Bob Hill moved to approve the financial reports and draft budget, and Mike Melancon seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Second motion: Jason Yonce moved to authorize William to appoint members to a TGWA transition committee, Josh Barrett seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. Annual Convention updates, with discussion and possible action – Lisa Henley

Lisa reported that she is working on the 2024 contract. She has reached out to several hotels and convention centers, including Lubbock which is not available. People moved contracts into 2024 from 2020 and 2021. Waco will not allow rigs inside. Denton Embassy Suites is too busy with other events. She recommended coming back to San Marcos another time. Lubbock for 2026 is a possibility. Terry Lowe moved to approve signing the contract for 2024 in San Marcos, and Vickie Ross seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

7. Membership and Programs updates, with discussion and possible action – Adeline Fox

- a. Membership – Have around 20 outstanding membership dues. Will have a full membership list at the next board meeting.
- b. Continuing Education – Adeline provided an overview of attendee numbers and classes across the state. There is one more class in San Marcos that should have a good turnout.
- c. The Fountainhead – The content deadline for the Q2 FH is May 31. It will be published at the end of June.

8. Reports from Division Chairs:

- a. C&D – Chris Lange – nothing to report
- b. M&S – Robert Dilldine – Nothing to report
- c. GWS – Kelley Cochran – GWS met to discuss the geoscience seminar in the spring and do a CE class demonstration off-site. More details to come.

9. Discussion and possible action on TGWA Scholarship Foundation – Pete Brien, President

Pete reported that everything is going well with the scholarship fund. Good fundraiser at the last convention via the scholarship foundation. Stacey reported that the current fund balance is \$378K and it was \$306K this time last year. Pete mentioned utilizing that money in productive ways for the association and the applicants. The Foundation board is looking to hire a financial adviser to help manage the fund in July. The SF board will also meet to make scholarship selections in July.

10. Other business

Robert W. asked about a driller in north Texas. There was discussion. There was also discussion about the CE demonstration project.

11. Next board meeting (Saturday, July 30th, 10am, San Marcos Embassy Suites)

12. Adjournment

William adjourned the meeting adjourned at 11:25am.