

# **MEETING MINUTES**

# **TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting**

Dallas, TX

Friday March 23, 2018 10:30 a.m. Central Time

Present: Richard McHale, Morris Williams Jr., Jeff Mayfield, Frank Pugsley, Lonnie Banks, Brenda

Haney, Holly Holder, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Michael Rice

Phone: Ellen Smyth, Harry Hayes, Jeff Reed

**Absent:** David McCary, Elvira Alonzo

Guests: Tiana Lightfoot-Svendsen, Jim Norstrom, Tyler Hurd, David Vartain, Mike Carleton, Risa

Weinberger, Johnny Womack

CALL TO ORDER: Richard McHale called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., Central Time. A

quorum was present.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the minutes for the February 16, 2018 meeting. Brenda Haney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Morris Williams, Jr. presented the financial reports for February 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018. Morris reported the financial report balances for February 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 for each account were as follows: \$174,327.57 for the checking account, \$30,268.86 for the savings account, \$109,991.29 for the conference account, and \$8,600.00 for the State Road-e-o account. Morris noted the \$70.00 deposit dated February 15, 2018 he made with his personal funds to reverse the accidental charge for a personal meal at Logan's Roadhouse he made using his TxSWANA debit card on January 22, 2018. Morris previously briefed the Board of the incident as noted in the February 16, 2018 Board meeting minutes. Motion made by Holly Holder to approve the February 28, 2018 financial report, seconded by Brenda Haney. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **CHAPTER BUSINESS:**

**2018 TxSWANA Conference (Denton)** – Tyler Hurd handed out information related to the agenda, projected income statement, and room booking for the upcoming conference. As Board President and since he did such a fantastic job last year, David McCary will serve as Master of Ceremony for those days he is present at the conference. An alternate will be selected for that day(s) he is unable to attend.

**2018 Road-E-O Site (El Paso)** – Ellen Smyth reported she has four sponsors committed. Registration will be released after the annual conference. Judges will be required to register and pay a Judge rate.

**Newsletter/Website** – Michael Rice reported the Spring edition of the newsletter will be distributed after the annual conference and will feature the President's message, a safety article, a legal article, a summary from the IB Rep, a recap of the conference and a reminder of the upcoming road-e-o. Frank Pugsley reported the membership engagement survey was emailed March 22, 2018.

**Legislative/Regulatory** –Jeff Reed reminded the Board that Richard Hyde announced his retirement as Executive Director of the TCEQ effective in April. A successor has not been selected at this time. The 130 EP landfill permit application has been appealed to district court; 37 alleged errors in the application. USEPA is proposing new rules related to commercial use aerosol cans as a Universal Waste. Jeff notified Jesse Maxwell of the proposed rule to gauge SWANA interest. The new TPDES Construction General Permit has been issued by TCEQ. Deadline to submit the Notice of Intent to renew coverage is June 5, 2018. The Rancho Viejo Landfill permit application is technically complete, and three Motions to Overturn (MTOs) were submitted; MTOs are not applicable to this stage of the permitting process and shows protestants are trying to find creative ways to enter the legal process earlier than normal. Brenda Haney noted State Senator Thompson will be scheduling a meeting with certain invitees on April 24, 2018 to discuss the Notice of Deficiency process, Fund 5000, and potentially moving the hearing examiner process back to the TCEQ.

Ty Embrey was not available and did not provide any updates of note to Jeff Reed.

**IB Report** – Frank Pugsley provided an update on the proposed restructuring of SWANA national Board representation as outlined in the email Frank sent to the Board members on March 21, 2018. The proposed restructuring passed and now will go before the general membership for approval. A regional MOU will be required between chapters that comprise a region. SWANA will provide the template. If the MOU is executed by December 31, 2018, there is a \$500 incentive payment. Otherwise, the MOU will need to be executed before the new governance agreement goes into effect in 2019. Membership recently passed 10,000 and membership retention is 84%. Safety will focus on small haulers to help reduce accidents and injuries. Brenda Haney noted she was asked if TXSWANA would be interested in joining the Applied Research Foundation as a chapter member. She said she would forward the email from SWANA. There was a discussion on supporting the SWANA Hickman Endowment which supports an internship and the Solid Waste Design competition. The endowment requires a commitment of \$1,000 per year for three years. Brenda Haney made a motion for TxSWANA to commit to participate in this endowment, seconded by Michael Rice. The motion passed unanimously.

**Young Professional –** There was no YP discussion.

**Safety** – David Vartain reported that based on 2016 safety data, the solid waste industry rate for collection activities, landfills, and MRF operation all went up compared to the previous year. Applications for SWANA's Safety Award are due April 1, 2018. David reiterated SWANA's focus on small haulers.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 12:33 p.m. Central time.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

**New Board Membership** – Holly Holder noted that Catrennia Williamson recently retired and resigned from the TxSWANA Board. There was a brief discussion on potential new Board members, including adding three Young Professionals and a SMART committee member to the Board. By-Law committee members Ellen Smyth and Jeff Mayfield, along with Jeff Reed will develop proposed by-law changes to add the YP and SMART members to the Board. The proposed changes will be submitted to David McCary before the April Board meeting so he can send to SWANA for review and approval. Any public sector member added to the Board as a result of the Annual meeting vote will be for a partial term until the public sector election occurs in 2019.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** - There were no announcements.

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**ACTION ITEMS:** Rolling Action Items Until Complete: None as Brenda Haney, on March 23, 2018, sent an email to the Board regarding how many driver simulations can be held at a session.

## **ADJOURN:**

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m., Central Time.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

The next TxSWANA Board of Director's meeting will be held on April 18, 2018 at the TxSWANA annual conference located at the Embassy Suites in Denton, Texas at a time to be determined.