

**Texas NAHRO
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2016
Waco, TX**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Annie Botsford.

I. Roll Call:

Present: Annie Botsford, Karen Baker Reynolds, Yvette Nieto, Milet Hopping, Deborah Sherrill, Barbara Bozon, Beverly Banks, Wayne Pollard, Barbara Menzel-Gardner, Johann Schaefer, Laura Llanes, Veronica Macon, Riza Nolasco, Gary Allsup, Lisa Garcia, Judy Paciocco, Daisy Flores, Hilda Benavidez, Daisy Flores, Cynthia De Luna, Nikki Brennan, Carl Richie, Robin Walls, Bernadine Spears, Katie Anderson – SWNAHRO past president, and Shelli Scrogum.

Absent: David Zappasodi, Debbie Eldridge, Gene Reed, Ernest Burke, Loraine Robles, THA President Stan Delaney, and ex-officio TAA member David Mintz.

Excused Absence Requests: Mark Thiele, Betty Brewer, Billie Shelburn, Sherri McDade, and Naomi Byrne

Call-in: There were no call-in members present.

Guests present: Steve Merrit- NAHRO President, Brain Gage, Buzz McKethan, and Mike Gerber

The President announced a quorum was present.

A welcome and prayer was given by Annie Botsford .

II. Acceptance of the October 23, 2015 Executive Board Minutes

Barbara Menzel-Gardener moved for approval of the prior minutes and Nikki Brennan seconded the motion. After discussion the President called for a vote and motion passed unanimously.

IV. Treasury Report and Review of Financial Statements – Barbara Bozon

Financial Statements were emailed to board members prior to the meeting and handed out for review. Barbara Bozon gave a brief overview of the financial statements and explained it was a rough year due to the cancellation of the Annual Conference. The conference was cancelled due to unavoidable weather conditions (flooding in Houston) and while some expenses can be deferred or recaptured, some cannot be.

Carl Richie made a motion that when \$2500 is raised for scholarship foundations, that \$1000 will be donated to the National Merit Scholarships. Katie Anderson seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Bernadine Spears moved to approve the financial report and Katie Anderson seconded the motion. The financial reports were approved by unanimous vote.

V. Review and Approval of Budget – Barbara Bozon

Barbara Bozon gave an overview of the 2017 Budget.

Nikki Bernnan made a motion to approve the budget as presented and Bernadine Spears seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion passed.

VI. Service Officer Report – Shelli Scrogum

Shelli Scrogum updated the board on the unavoidable cancellation of the Annual Conference in Houston. She reported there were 10 exhibitors and 97 attendees at the current Waco Conference. The 2017 Annual Conference will be held in South Padre in April and she hopes to see everyone there.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. Professional Development – Yvette Nieto
Attached

B. Housing – Karen Baker Reynolds
Report is attached, but in addition to report, Mike Gerber presented a resolution relating to RAD. The purpose of the resolution is to request TDHCA remove language from its appraisal rules which would limit the award to Low Income Housing Tax Credits to the value associated with HUD provided rental assistance. After reading of the resolution Wayne Pollard made a motion to approved and Katie Anderson seconded the motion. The president called for a vote and all voted in favor.

C. Member Services – Milet Hopping
Attached

D. CR&D – Robin Walls
No report provided

E. Commissioners – Deborah Sherrill
No report provided

F. Legislative – Gene Reed (presented by Wayne Pollard)
No report provided

G. Legislative Consultant- Wayne Pollard
Wayne Pollard made a motion that Texas NAHRO host a state legislative day tentatively in February 2017. Bernadine Spears seconded the motion and all voted in favor. More details will be sent out as they develop.

Shelli Scrogum reported Eric Woomer’s contract expires on 12-31-16. Gene Reed is working with Eric Woomer on the contract and will present it to the board at a later date.

H. Nominating Committee – Wayne Pollard
A report was presented to the board and will be presented at the general membership meeting. Beverly Banks clarified the report should read “Recommended Slate of Directors” instead of “Recommended Slate of Officers”. The report was also corrected to note David Zapposodi now is employed by the Dallas Housing Authority instead of

Arlington Housing Authority. That does not affect his eligibility status. There were not objections to the Nominating Committee's report.

- I. Small Agency Task Force** – Yvette Nieto
Attached
- J. Scholarship Committee** – Judy Paciocco
- K. Scholarship Foundation** – Bernadine Spears
Attached
- L. Awards Committee** – Mark Thiele
No report provided, however Awards Committee met prior to awards ceremony to organize the presentation of the awards,
- M. Bylaws Committee** – Sherri McDade
No meeting
- N. Sr. Vice President-** Mark Thiele
Absent

After the reading of all of the reports, Carl Richie made a motion to accept the reports as given. Bernadine Spears seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Each committee chairman was asked to send a copy of their report to the Secretary to be included in the minutes.

VIII. Bylaws Discussion- Sherri McDade

None

- IX. Lifetime Membership Nominees-** Annie Botsford
It was suggested that Willie Carter be given a lifetime membership. After discussion, no action was taken on the matter. It will be discussed again at the April meeting.
- X. Co-Host / Sponsorship SWNAHRO 2017 Conference in San Antonio** – Annie Botsford
President Botsford updated the board on the upcoming Southwest Conference to be held in San Antonio. One obligation of a hosting agency is to incur expenses associated with the conference. Oklahoma NAHRO will also contribute to the expenses. Karen Baker Reynolds made a motion to budget up to \$10,000.00 for the SWNAHRO Annual Conference. Barbara Menzel-Gardner seconded motion and all voted yes.
- XI. President's Report -** Annie Botsford
President Botsford welcomed everyone to Waco and all were encouraged to attend the opening session. The training agenda looks great and she hopes everyone enjoys the conference. Make plans now to attend the next conference in South Padre Island.
- XII. Old Business**
None
- XIII. New Business**

President Botsford presented a 2-year accounting contract from Housing Solutions Alliance for consideration. The contract will run from June 1 to May 31 of each year. Wayne Pollard made a motion to approve the contract. A second was made by Milet Hopping. All voted yea and the motion passed.

Wayne Pollard announced Carl Richie is running for the NAHRO President. He made a motion that Texas NAHRO endorse Carl Richie. Katie Anderson seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Carl Richie accepted the endorsement and thanked everyone for their continued support.

Steve Merrit, NAHRO President was recognized and thanked the board for the invitation and stated he looks forward to working with Carl Richie.

IX. Adjournment: There was no more business to come before the board; therefore Bernadine Spears moved for adjournment of the meeting. A second was made by Barbara Menzel-Gardner. A unanimous vote was received and the President declared the meeting adjourned.