

Association of Texas Appraisers

Board of Director's Annual Meeting

August 4, 2017 Morning Session

President, Curt Myrick called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Roll call of Directors was then conducted by Secretary, Stacey Cartwright. The present Directors were: President Curt Myrick, Vice-President Wade Jordan, Secretary Stacey Cartwright, Luis De La Garza, Laurie Fontana, Ian Martinez, Ken Pruett, Past-President Dennis Crawford, Chairman of the Board Bobby Crisp, and Executive Director Teresa Walker. Treasurer AnnA DeMoss was the only absent Director. Also in attendance as guests were Steve Kahane, Kathy Tredway, Kim Mitchell, Rick Neighbors, Arturo Palacios, and National Association of Appraisers (NAA) President John Dingeman.

President, Curt Myrick introduced the minutes of the previous board meeting held February 24, 2017 and asked if any corrections were necessary. Laurie Fontana made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Luis De La Garza. All were in favor - motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

President Curt Myrick called upon Chairman of the Board Bobby Crisp for the financial report due to the absence of Treasurer Anna DeMoss. The Profit & Loss for the 2016/2017 fiscal year showed a total income of \$73,025.13. Total expenses were shown to be \$67,613.73 leaving a net income of \$5,411.40.

Chairman of the Board Bobby Crisp also presented a synopsis of the proposed budget for 2017/2018. Discussion was held on the proposed budget that it showed substantially more income and expense than the previous year due to it being a year for USPAP classes.

Luis De La Garza made a motion to approve the 2016/2017 Income and Expense statement along with the proposed budget for 2017/2018. The motion was seconded by Laurie Fontana and approved by all – motion carried.

Stacey Cartwright made a motion to send out dues statements for the next year. The motion was seconded by Dennis Crawford. All were in favor – motion carried.

Director's checks were tabled to the end of this meeting

OLD BUSINESS

DIRECTORS TERMS

The proposed issue of changing officer terms from 1 year to 2 years was discussed. Bobby Crisp mentioned a problem with the proposal where an officer may be at the end of their 3-year board term, but only 1 year into being an officer. Bobby Crisp suggested that, instead of making a change to the By-laws to 2-year terms, that we make it optional to the officers on serving a second year.

Vice President Wade Jordan brought up at this time that he would be stepping down from his officer position and board membership after this meeting concluded in order to have more time with his family.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Teresa Walker reported that as of August 3rd, 2017 we had 353 members, which is an 8% increase from February 2017. We have 79 designations consisting of 1 ATA-L, 54 ATA-R, and 24 ATA-G.

NEW BUSINESS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rio Grande Valley - Discussion was held regarding a meeting in January 2018 as to its viability, whether to hold it in South Padre or McAllen or another location, and what classes were to be offered.

Luis De La Garza made a motion to hold the meeting in McAllen at the IBC Bank with only a 1-day offering of the USPAP Update course being on a Friday or a Saturday depending on the availability at the bank. Motion was seconded by Dennis Crawford and approved by all – Motion carried.

New Braunfels - Discussion was held on a meeting for February 16-17, 2018 as to what class to be held on each day. Saturday will be the USPAP Update course being as this is a USPAP update year. Discussion regarding Friday's offering was generally stated that a class was needed on how to incorporate and use new technology and programs for faster development of appraisals.

Luis De La Garza made a motion for the Friday afternoon class to be a Time Management workshop and the Saturday class to be the USPAP Update. Motion was seconded by Wade Jordan and all approved – Motion passed.

Houston/Galveston - Discussion was held regarding a meeting for May/June 2018 as to making it only a 1-day USPAP Update offering. Laurie Fontana made a motion to hold only a Saturday USPAP Update class for this meeting. Motion was seconded by Wade Jordan and all approved – Motion carried.

Annual Meeting Dallas/Fort Worth/Georgetown - Discussion was held on having our August 2018 Annual meeting in the Dallas area instead of the South Central Texas area to facilitate membership growth. It was generally agreed that this was a good idea. The choice of classes for this meeting was tabled until the February 2018 board meeting.

OTHER INDUSTRY MEETINGS

Bobby Crisp presented that the Appraisal Summit & Expo in Las Vegas will be held November 1-3, 2017 and that the NAA Appraisers Conference will be in the Spring of 2018.

TAFAC

Bobby Crisp presented a report of the meeting held on June 2, 2017. He presented 3 highlights of the meeting.

- (1) There was new information from the ASB that the new electronic version of USPAP will have a hyperlinked table of contents and numerous other features to make it easier to use.
- (2) The AQB talked about reviewing their 7 and 15 hour USPAP classes.
- (3) The ASB Issues Committee brought up a situation presented by the ATA about AO#3 and the wording including "firm" being a problem. They are going to present it to the ASB requesting a change in the wording.

TAF BOT

Bobby Crisp presented that they have tabled all discussions and decisions on changing the licensing qualifications to a later undetermined date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Professional Standards Committee had nothing to report per Bobby Crisp

Program Committee had nothing to report per Bobby Crisp

Bylaws Committee had nothing to report per Bobby Crisp

Membership Committee discussed using an incentive program, putting out a survey as to what appraisers are looking for from an organization membership, and the need for a greater social media presence.

Nominating Committee discussed 4 outgoing directors being Curt Myrick, Dennis Crawford, Anna DeMoss, and Wade Jordan. Also, the committee presented 5 nominees for the Board of Directors – Curt Myrick, Chris Davis, Kathy Tredway, Pam Teel, and Steve Kahane.

SEPT. & DEC. 2016 ATA CONNECTIONS ARTICLE VOLUNTEERS

Discussion was held as to the need for writers and articles for the upcoming Connections newsletters. Wade Jordan volunteered for the December 2017 issue. Steve Kahane volunteered for the September 2017 issue.

APPRAISAL SUMMIT & EXPO

Discussion was held on who was going to the Summit & Expo. Teresa Walker presented the dates and that ATA members could go for a discount.

Meeting moved into executive session without Teresa Walker and Bobby Crisp

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Discussion was held on their respective salaries regarding raises or hold their salaries at the current levels. Teresa Walker requested to hold off on any salary increases or bonuses so that the Association could save and build up money. Luis De La Garza made a motion to hold off on salary increases and bonuses as presented by Teresa. Motion was seconded by Wade Jordan with all in favor – motion carried.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Bobby Crisp made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Luis De La Garza. With all in favor, the motion carried at 11:30 a.m.

Recorded by:



Stacey Cartwright
Secretary