

Association of Texas Appraisers

Board of Director's Annual Meeting August 5, 2016 Morning Session

President, Dennis Crawford 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 Dennis Crawford, Vice-President Curt Myrick, Secretary Stacey Cartwright, Treasurer Bobby Shafer, Luis De La Garza, AnnA DeMoss, Wade Jordan, Rick Neighbors, and Chairman of the Board Bobby Crisp. Diana Jacob was the only absent Director.

President Dennis Crawford then asked for the approval of the minutes from the previous Board meetings from February 19, 2016 and April 21, 2016. Bobby Crisp made a motion that the minutes be accepted as written. The motion was seconded by Bobby Shafer. The motion passed.

FINANCIAL

President Dennis Crawford called upon Treasurer Bobby Shafer for the financial report. The Profit & Loss for the 2015/2016 fiscal year showed a total income of \$81,870.70. Total expenses were shown to be \$81,683.21 leaving a net income of \$187.49.

Treasurer Bobby Shafer also presented a synopsis of the proposed budget for 2016/2017. Discussion was held on the proposed budget and how to increase the budgeted net income.

Bobby Crisp made a motion to increase the ATA annual dues to \$125.00, the motion was seconded by Wade Jordan and was approved by all.

Luis De La Garza made a motion to raise class fees from \$125.00 to \$130.00, the motion was seconded by Bobby Shafer, and was approved by all. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on the need to charge for additional class transcripts. Rick Neighbors made a motion to charge \$5.00 per additional transcript, the motion was seconded by Wade Jordan, and was approved by all. Motion passed.

Rick Neighbors made a motion to send out dues statements for the next year, the motion was seconded by Bobby Shafer, and was approved by all. Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss at this meeting.

MEMBERSHIP AND DESIGNATIONS REPORT

Teresa Walker reported that as of August 1st, 2016 we had 345 members for a 7% increase from February. We have 79 designations consisting of 1 ATA-L, 56 ATA-R, and 22 ATA-G.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business brought forward for this meeting.

FUTURE COURSE TOPICS

Discussion was held on the new NAR Code of Ethics for Appraisers. It was mentioned that the new course should be available by January of 2017.

A variety of other courses that are prepared, approved and ready to go was presented by Bobby Crisp as courses that we could use for future meetings and discussion was held on those and other courses.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Bobby Shafer made a motion to change the satellite meetings and classes to one day (a Saturday if possible), motion was seconded by Wade Jordan, and was approved by all. Luis De La Garza made a motion to charge \$100.00 for the one-day courses, motion was seconded by Rick Neighbors, and was approved by all. Motion passed.

Dallas/Ft. Worth- Discussion was held on when to hold this meeting and was decided to hold it on December 3rd, 2016. Rick Neighbors made a motion to use the Red Flags course, motion was seconded by Bobby Shafer, and was approved by all. Motion passed.

San Angelo- Discussion was held on this location. Rick Neighbors made a motion to change this location to Abilene using the Red Flags course, motion was seconded by Wade Jordan, and was approved by all. Motion passed. The date for this meeting was tabled so that available venues could be researched.

New Braunfels (Feb. 24-25, 2017)- Discussion was held that the TREC Legal 1 be offered on Friday morning and as to what classes to hold for Friday afternoon and Saturday. Luis De La Garza made a motion to offer the Green Appraising course on Friday afternoon, motion was seconded by Wade Jordan, and approved by all. Bobby Shafer made a motion to use the Statistics course by Tim Andersen as the Saturday class, motion was seconded by AnnA DeMoss, and approved by all. Motion passed.

South Padre/McAllen (TBD, 2017)- Discussion was held as to the necessity of this class due to low attendance in the past. Bobby Shafer made a motion to eliminate this class for the 2017 year, motion was seconded by Bobby Crisp, and approved by all. Motion passed.

BREAK

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45am for a break and called back to order at 10:55am.

UPCOMING MEETINGS CONT'D

Houston/Galveston (May/June 2017)- By previous vote this will be a one-day course. Discussion was held on location and was decided to hold in Houston and the possibility to hold at Houston Association of Realtors (HAR) or a Houston Bank. The course offering will also be the Red Flags course, the same as the other satellite courses. Date will be based on venue availability.

San Antonio/Corpus Christi (August 2017)- Discussion was held on the location and the decision was made to hold our next Annual Meeting in San Antonio. The TREC Legal 2 course will be offered on Friday morning and the courses for Friday afternoon and Saturday were tabled until the February 2017 board meeting.

Dallas/Ft. Worth (Sept. 2017)- Discussion was held regarding a date for this location. It was decided to hold this meeting as a one-day event. The course offering was tabled until the February 2017 board meeting.

TAFAC UPDATE

Discussion was held regarding Diana Jacob's report on the TAFAC meeting. Most important factor was the new APB exposure draft on "Collection and Verification of Residential Sales Data in the Sales Comparison Approach". There was discussion as to how this exposure draft has information that could affect appraisers should be of concern to all in the appraisal community. Diana will be stepping down from TAFAC as our ATA representative. There was discussion not to replace her position with another ATA member. Rather, utilize our National Association of Appraisers (NAA) Board of Governors position and appoint the NAA representative to TAFAC as our representation.

Bobby Shafer made a motion for the ATA to remain a TAFAC member, but to allow the NAA representative to TAFAC represent the ATA at TAFAC meetings for one year, motion was seconded by Bobby Crisp, and approved by all. It was agreed to re-visit the ATA representative to TAFAC position during the August 2017 board meeting.

SEPT. & DEC. 2016 ATA CONNECTIONS ARTICLE VOLUNTEERS

Discussion was held regarding the need for writers/articles for the upcoming ATA "Connections" newsletters. Steve Kahane volunteered an article for the September issue. Wade Jordan volunteered the December issue and will write on smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

APPRAISAL SUMMIT & EXPO

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

Meeting was moved into executive session without Theresa Walker and Bobby Crisp

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Rick Neighbors made a motion to keep their salaries at the current level and to look at giving mid-year bonuses dependent on how monies look at that time, motion was seconded by Wade Jordan, and approved by all. Motion passed.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was made on officer terms and the possibility of changing them to 2 years. Luis De La Garza made a motion to have Bobby Crisp research increasing the officer terms to 2 years and possibly changing the Bylaws to reflect such, motion was seconded by Rick Neighbors, and approved by all. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Luis De La Garza made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Rick Neighbors. The motion was carried by all present. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Recorded by:



Stacey Cartwright
Secretary