

# *Association of Texas Appraiser (ATA)*

## Minutes

### Board of Directors Meeting

February 24, 2017

President Curt Myrick called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. at the Courtyard New Braunfels River Village, New Braunfels, TX. Directors present were Curt Myric, Wade Jordan, AnnA DeMoss, Luis De La Garza, Ken Pruett, Dennis Crawford, and Bobby Crisp. Lauri Fontana joined the meeting via telephone. Executive Director Teresa Walker was present. Also in attendance as guests were Bobby Shafer, Arturo Palacios and Rick Neighbors.

President Curt Myrick introduced the minutes of the previous board meetings held August 5, 2017 and asked if any corrections were necessary. With no discussion, Bobby Crisp motioned to approve the minutes as presented, with a second from Dennis Crawford and carried unanimously – motion passed.

#### **Financial Reports:**

Treasurer AnnA DeMoss discussed the ATA Profit & Loss Statement to date. Executive Director Teresa Walker informed the Board that tax returns have been completed and delivered to the IRS.

Bobby Crisp motioned to accept the Financial Report as presented with a second from Vice President Wade Jordan. All were in favor – motion carried. Teresa Walker passed out Director's checks.

#### **Old Business:**

##### *Executive Directors Report*

Teresa Walker informed the Board that membership stands at 328 as of Feb 24, 2017. Designations are at 78 (23.8% of the membership); 1 ATA-L; 54 ATA-R and 23 ATA-G. ATA membership numbers show a loss of 17 members since August 2016. Teresa informed the Board that there was a list of approximately 60 names that had not renewed their membership as of December 2016. Bobby Crisp and Curt Myrick contacted each non-renewal reducing the number to 17 as mentioned.

Bobby Crisp informed the Board that the proposed "Alternate Director" position discussed during the August Board of Directors Meeting was brought before the General Membership in August 2016 and was approved unanimously to amend the ATA By-laws accordingly.

Bobby Crisp also discussed the proposed issue of extending the Board Officers from 1-year terms to 2-year terms. This was brought before the General Membership as it would require amending the ATA By-laws. The General Membership voted in favor of the change, but there was concern regarding the term limits of a Director (being a 3-year term) and how an Officer's overall term limit could expire while their 'new' 2-year had yet to expire. There was discussion regarding these term limits. The Directors decided to communicate

via email to provide input regarding language to amend the by-laws. It was agreed that the results would be completed prior to the August 2017 Board Meeting for final vote.

**New Business:**

*Future Meetings*

*Abilene ATA Meeting*

May 6, 2017 meeting in Abilene is to be held at the Abilene Board of Realtors office. This meeting was discussed in detail as the proposed course has not been approved for MCE. Bobby Crisp made a motion to drop the “Red Flags in Real Estate” and offer a course on FHA Changes. Motion was seconded by Dennis Crawford with all being in favor – motion carried.

*Houston ATA Meeting*

June 10, 2017 meeting in Houston will be held at Holiday Inn Energy Corridor and the course offering is scheduled to be “Red Flags in Real Estate”. Teresa Walker suggested that we continue with this course contingent upon MCE approval. If not, then the FHA Changes could also be offered in its stead.

*San Antonio ATA Annual Meeting*

August 4-5, 2017 meeting will be held at the Marriott in San Antonio (at IH 10 and IH Loop 410 interchange). Friday morning will offer the MCE Legal II course. After discussion of possible course offerings for Friday afternoon, Luis De La Garza motioned that there be a session of different speakers including TALCB Commissioner Doug Oldmixon, and a round-table/panel of AQB Certified USPAP Instructors discussing USPAP Issues and FAQs: Fact or Fiction. There was a second by Anna DeMoss. All were in favor – motion passed.

Bobby Crisp motioned that Saturday have two course offerings of which one would be Mobile Technology. There was a second by Ken Pruett. All were in favor – motion passed.

Dennis Crawford motioned that the second offering on Saturday be the “Write it Right” for 4 hours. There was a second by Wade Jordan. All were in favor – motion passed.

Curt Myrick called for a short break at 10:25 a.m. and called back to order at 10:33 a.m.

*Ft. Worth/Dallas ATA Meeting*

Due to the lack of attendance in the Ft Worth/Dallas area, Bobby Crisp motioned to no go to DFW this fall. With a second from Luis De La Garza, motion passed. There was discussion to offer the USPAP Update in the DFW area early in 2018. There was additional discussion that the ATA should send a survey to DFW area appraisers to see what type of courses they would like to see offered in the future and timeframes.

There was also a discussion about holding an annual meeting in the DFW area in 2018 or 2019.

The Board decided to table any other locations and offerings until the next board meeting in August 2017.

#### *TAFAC*

Bobby Crisp informed the Board that The Appraisal Foundation Advisory Council (TAFAC) held a meeting on January 26-27, 2017 that was attended by our representative, Mike Brunson.

Mike provided a summary of the meetings of which he attended and participated. The summary discussed that the Board of Trustees had voted to suspend all activities of the Appraisal Practices Board (APB) and the feedback from the TAFAC APB Committee members. Mike also attended the TAFAC ASB Committee Meeting of which he was asked to serve as Co-Chair of the committee and he accepted.

The following day, the TAFAC General Membership Meeting took place. There was discussion regarding the AQB Exposure Draft referencing the College Degree Program and the qualification requirement for licensing and certification. Additionally, the ASB 3<sup>rd</sup> Exposure Draft was released.

#### *Professional Standards Committee*

Bobby Crisp (Chair) stated there were no actions to report.

#### *Program Committee*

Bobby Crisp (Chair) informed the Board that he had communicated with members of the committee and supplied Teresa Walker with recommendations for future course offerings.

#### *By-laws Committee*

Bobby Crisp (Chair) – stated that By-laws were in process of being amended and would be ready for the Board's vote in August 2017.

#### *Membership Committee*

Rick Neighbors (Past-Chair) – stated that he did not have any actions to report.

Bobby Crisp was recognized by President Curt Myrick to address the Board regarding the ATA Committees. Bobby informed the Board that the Chair positions should be manned by Directors of the Board and asked for volunteers to Chair these committees. Currently, he was the Chair of three of the five committees. Rick Neighbors was still named as the Chair of the Membership Committee but, was no longer a Director. Laurie Fontana volunteered to Chair the Membership Committee. Rick Neighbors and Anna DeMoss volunteered to be members of the Membership Committee. Ken Pruett volunteered to Chair the Program Committee. Curt Myrick said that he would ask for volunteers during the meeting.

### *Nominating Committee*

Consists of Past-President Dennis Crawford (Chair), President Curt Myrick, and Vice-President Wade Jordan. Dennis informed everyone that Curt Myrick, AnnA DeMoss and he will be coming off the Board. Dennis said that the committee is working on nominations by checking with those board members whose terms are ending to see if they would be willing to serve another term and asked for suggestions that anyone may have and that he would contact those members to see if they would be willing to serve. Teresa mentioned that there would be an article posted in our newsletter.

### *Other Industry Meetings*

*AQB Public Meeting* – April 7, 2017 in Tampa, FL

*AARO Meeting* - Association of Appraiser Regulatory Officials – April 7-9, 2017 in Tampa, FL

*TALCB Meeting* – May 5, 2017 in Austin, TX

*NACAO Meeting* – May 18, 2017 in Palm Beach, FL

*NAA Board of Directors Meeting* – May 18, 2017 in Palm Beach, FL

*Appraisal Summit & Expo* – November 1-3, 2017 in Las Vegas, NV

Meeting moved into executive session without Teresa Walker and Bobby Crisp.

### **Chairman of the Board & Executive Director Compensation**

Luis De La Garza motioned to close the executive session with a second from Wade Jordan. All voted in favor – motion passed.

Luis De La Garza motioned to keep the current level of salary for Bobby Crisp at \$500 per month. This was seconded by Dennis Crawford. All were in favor – motion passed.

Luis De La Garza motioned to keep the current level of salary for Teresa Walker at \$2,000 per month with a mid-year bonus payment of \$2,000. There was a second by Wade Jordan. All were in favor – motion passed.

### **Reinstatement Fee after 60 days past due**

Agenda item was tabled until August 2017 meeting allowing the Membership Committee to review and present recommendations to the Board.

### **Scholarship Application**

There was one application for the Pospisil Scholarship Award. Luis De La Garza motioned to approve the application of Teneea Green. There was a second by Dennis Crawford. Bobby Crisp recused himself from the vote as the applicant was a family member. All were in favor – motion carried.

### **ATA Audit**

Curt Myrick inquired as to who would be willing to perform the ATA Audit. Ken Pruett said that his wife and fellow ATA member, Amy Coston, might be willing to perform the ATA Audit and that he would ask if she would volunteer.

**NAA Board of Governor's Report**

Curt Myrick discussed the NAA meeting held during the past Appraisal Summit & Expo held in Las Vegas, NV in Oct-Nov 2016. During their meeting, the NAA Board of Governors voted Curt as the Chair of the NAA Board of Governors.

**Other New Business**

Bobby Crisp informed the Board that the National Association of Realtors (NAR) has completed their Ethics Course for appraisers. NAR requires appraisers to take this course for continued membership with any local Board of Realtors and MLS. Additional discussion was mentioned about fingerprint requirements by the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board.

**March & June 2017 Newsletters**

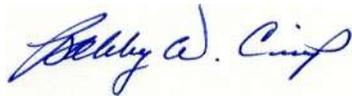
Curt Myrick asked for volunteers to write articles for the ATA Newsletter. Wade Jordan volunteered to write for the June newsletter. Teresa Walker said that she had enough information for the March issue.

**Date and Time of next meeting**

August 4, 2017 at the Marriott in San Antonio, TX at 9 a.m.

There was a motion to adjourn by Bobby Crisp. There was a second by Wade Jordan; all voted in favor – motion passed at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Secretary Stacey Cartwright,



Bobby W. Crisp  
Chairman of the Board, ATA