

Association of Texas Appraisers
Board of Directors Meeting
August 17, 2007

President Bobby Shafer called the meeting to order at approximately 5:15 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Hotel, Victoria, Texas.

Directors present were Bobby Shafer, Colleen Nance, Bobby Crisp, Mike Braught, Bridgett Blankenship, Norm Miller, Shirley McAllister, Tom Shirley, Frank Baker, and Bill Render.

It was noted that the minutes of the last Board meeting had already been approved by the Board via e-mail so reading of minutes was waived.

Vladimir Pospisil, Chair of the Nominating Committee, reported the following nominees: Vice President, Bridgett Blankenship; Treasurer, Michael Braught; and Secretary, Shirley McAllister. There being no further nominations from the floor, motion was made, seconded and passed to elect the nominees by acclamation. Following the election, outgoing President Bobby Shafer turned control of the meeting over to new President Bobby Crisp.

Executive Director Gale Pospisil presented the annual Income/Expense report, copy of which is attached to the minutes. And she reported that she estimated about \$250 in profit from the August 17-18 meeting. Tom Shirley presented and read his letter reporting on the audit of the past year's financial records. Copy of his letter is attached to the minutes.

The Board discussed and approved the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget, copy of which is attached to the minutes. Gale reported that dues statements would be sent out at the end of August. She also distributed \$50 checks to members of the board.

Chairman of the Professional Standards Committee, Bobby Crisp, reported that the other members of the committee were Diana Jacob, Tom Shirley and Ken Becker and that they would be working on writing a Code of Ethics for the association.

Gale reported that the ATA banners had been purchased. A motion was made, seconded and passed to buy a second banner so there would be a banner on either side of the stand.

The Board discussed the mid-year meeting to be held in New Braunfels on Feb. 8-9, 2008. The USPAP Update will be presented by Columbia Institute on Saturday. The Board decided to offer a class on proper measurement of improvements following ANSI guidelines and tied in with information from Apex. Bobby Crisp and Diana Jacob are going to work on this with Columbia to come up with a class.

Gale reported that Colleen Nance, Michael Braught and Georg Seidel had each contributed a director's column for the newsletter; that Diana Jacob had contributed one article; and that Bobby Crisp had written a column on USPAP for each newsletter. Bobby Shafer also submitted a President's Column for each newsletter. Thanks to all who helped

in this manner. The following directors agreed to submit article for future newsletters: Colleen Nance, September; Tom Shirley, December; Bridgett Blankenship and Shirley McAllister, March; and Frank Baker, June.

Candace Cooke's application for designation was approved by the Board. No other designation applications were received or considered at the meeting.

The Board discussed possible locations and dates for the August, 2008 meeting. The consensus was to have the meeting in Victoria on the first or second weekend. Gale will research possible meeting places and provide information to the Board. No decision was made on possible courses but Gale will get with George Harrison to get some ideas for the Board to consider at their February, 2008 meeting in New Braunfels.

The Board discussed the possibility of accepting credit cards. The suggestion was made to look into using Pay Pal as an alternative to credit cards. Gale will research this further and have information for the Board to consider at their February, 2008 meeting.

Gale suggested that the Board consider opening a \$5,000 CD, which would provide a small amount of interest and provide some reserves for the association. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to authorize Gale to open a \$5,000 CD.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at aprx. 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley McAllister
ATA Secretary