# Summer Business Meeting, July 13, 2016, 10:35 AM

La Torretta Lake Resort, Lake Conroe

Attending: DeDe Jones, Dennis Coker, Mac Young, Billy Warrick, Emmy Kiphen, Melinda Garcia, Steven Klose, Monty Dozier, Sandra Pierce, Michelle Payne, Philip Shackelford, Greg Kaase, Joe Outlaw, Luis Ribera, Will Keeling, Jeff Pate, John Robinson, James Jackson, Jason Johnson, Rebekka Dudensing, Jayla Fry, Joyce Cavanagh, Craig Castro, Buddy Faries, Julie Gould, Stephen Bruggerhoff, and Janet Hurley

DeDe Jones President called the meeting to order and asked members of the group to introduce themselves and if there were any additions to the agenda.

DeDe Jones appointed Steven Klose as parliamentarian.

**Minutes** from Previous Meeting – were distributed through email and posted online and were approved by group. Minutes were also approved by administration. Follow this link for past Business Meeting minutes http://tesa.tamu.edu/files/2015/09/TESA-Business-Mtg-July-22-2015.pdf

**Correspondence:** Kiphen reported there was no new correspondence and website is up to date.

**Financial Report:** S. Klose reported for D. McCorkle that we have a balance of \$30,923.42 which comes from three certificates of deposit, one of which matured this year. TESA's main checking has \$11,317.71 and Savings is \$4,721.05. Review of the income and expenses was presented by D. McCorkle Income: \$170 Ag Conf. Social Registration, \$1,360 annual meeting registration, \$780 from Membership Dues, and interest \$15.13. Expenses to date have been \$667.75 for Ag Conf. Social, \$867.10 Board meeting expenses, and awards/recognition \$233.75.

**4-H Foundation:** Joe Mask could not attend this meeting, but sent a report to DeDe Jones that there was nothing to report since May

## **Standing Committee Reports**

- a. **Nominating**: Jones reported the list of elected officers for 2016/2017; they will be inducted at the end of this meeting.
  - a. President Steven Klose
  - b. President Elect Monty Dozier
  - c. Secretary Janet Hurley
  - d. Treasurer Dean McCorkle
  - e. Historian Dawn Burton
  - f. Past President DeDe Jones
- b. Financial see above
- c. **Audit:** Pierce stated this will be her first year to lead this effort, as Dawn Burton is moving off this committee. We are looking for a member to replace Burton.
- d. **Membership:** Jones reported that our current membership is 45 paid, 26 new (1<sup>st</sup> yr. free), and 123 lifetime members. Thanks to Michelle Payne for the support through the New Employee on boarding trainings –having our group there helps with recruiting new members.
- e. **Awards**: Jones stated that for this past year we made the award announcements at the dinner last night. For 2017 the committee is looking at changing the time frame for future awards to help with timing to coincide with other reports.
  - a. The Awards committee purchased plaques and made arrangements s for the following individuals to receive their awards:

- Linda Francis (Staff support for Soils & Crops) will be presented at a Departmental faculty – staff meeting by D. Coker
- ii. Flora Williams (FCS) will be presented at the FCS conference in Lubbock
- iii. Cynthia Pierfax (4-H) will be presented by Dawn Burton at Prairie View
- f. **Scholarship:** Coker made the award presentations at the dinner the evening before. Lane Outlaw & Madison McCorkle were the students awarded. Jones discussed what the qualifications are for student awards for new members present, members must have been a member for two years, which is one year free and one year paid before they can nominate a child. We encourage our membership to stay current and nominate their children so we can encourage future advocates for Extension.
- g. **Professional Development:** Jones discussed this award a scholarship for TESA members who have been a member for two years (same as scholarship) and will use the money for a professional development activity. The scholarship committee is going to look at timing for this announcement and a better way to describe the program to have more members apply.
- h. **Promotion Task Force**: Jones stated for new members the history of TESA working with administration on developing upgrades to career ladder items. Extension leadership would like to make adjustments for Specialists (Professorial Track). However, in each department some of those Specialist positions are more than an Extension appointment. When Leadership decides to work on this issue, we have members who are willing to serve on this task force to offer input in how to make the Specialist promotion track more cohesive to their current duties.
- i. **Retiree**: Warrick reported we have two new retirees, Lori Colvin and Carol Rice and no deaths since our May meeting. Jones also requested on behalf of the TESA Board that Billy Warrick remain the retiree liaison as long as he is willing to serve.

## **Unfinished Business**

- a. **Online Payment systems** D. Jones discussed that we will be looking into the option of having the ability to take credit card payments for dues in hopes of making it easier for members. Goal would be online in 2017
- b. Mentoring program/connecting with retirees/past president duties D. Jones discussed these topics together in that she hopes as her new role as past president she hopes to work on developing a mentoring program, connect with the retirees to see about their interest in being mentors and being more active in the group, plus working on a newsletter that helps educate and unite the TESA members.
- c. Industry Liaison Smith reported that we are on target for annual sponsorship support. He will send out a spreadsheet after the annual conference with sponsor names and levels. Jackie especially appreciated Redfish Capital for staying with us for the entire meeting. Mac Young, DeDe Jones and Steven Klose thanked Jackie for his service in this role. We truly appreciate all he has done for TESA fundraising.

#### **New Business**

- a. **2017 Annual Meeting** Klose stated that the annual meeting will be at the Drury Plaza Hotel Riverwalk on July 24-26, 2017. Estimated rate is \$120 per night, which is comparable to the current state rate. We will not know 2017 rates until fall 2016. The only thing Klose was unable to secure was the parking which is \$21 per car. For more information about the hotel location you can check out this website <a href="https://www.druryhotels.com/locations/san-antonio-tx/Drury-Plaza-Hotel-San-Antonio-Riverwalk">https://www.druryhotels.com/locations/san-antonio-tx/Drury-Plaza-Hotel-San-Antonio-Riverwalk</a>
  - a. Hotel offers a full breakfast and manager's happy hour in the evening.
  - b. Hotel will charge \$10 per extra person in the room so TESA will help pay for that extra charge for members, as most members can get reimbursed for the parking charge.

## b. Other Items

- a. Ag Program Conference that was held in January had a good turnout with our speaker. Joyce and Michelle will look at getting us another speaker for the meeting in 2017.
- b. Joyce reminded members that each Chapter has \$50 to have a meeting in their area to help support the association
- c. Brazos Valley Extension Service Club: Payne and Cavanagh mentioned this group meets once a month and anyone in the Bryan/College Station area is welcomed to join this group for their meetings.
- d. The updated TESA Brochure is online <a href="http://agrilifecdn.tamu.edu/tesa2/files/2015/12/TESA-Membership-Brochure-10.26.15.pdf">http://agrilifecdn.tamu.edu/tesa2/files/2015/12/TESA-Membership-Brochure-10.26.15.pdf</a>
- e. Faries brought up the glitch with the emailing of the ballots for officers, Gould stated she found a better way to mail after this last problem, hopefully for 2017 it will go better.

# c. Installation of Officers

a. Mac Young installed the new officers (below is a list of the officers with the Extension Title, Office phone number and email address)

Steven Klose, President

Monty Dozier, President Elect

Dean McCorkle, Treasurer

Janet Hurley, Secretary

Dawn Burton, Historian/Website

DeDe Jones, Past President

Motion made by Monty Dozier to adjourn meeting, and seconded by Mac Young. At 11:15 AM, the meeting was suspended.

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