

TEXAS INVASIVE PLANT & PEST COUNCIL

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Business Meeting – Minutes

The University of Texas at Austin Marine Science Institute

750 Channel View Drive, Port Aransas TX 78373

February 27, 2014

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by President Scott Walker.

1. President's Welcome

Scott Walker introduced the conference attendees to the Texas Invasive Plant and Pest Council (TIPPC), its mission and goals. Scott provided an overview of TIPPC history and projects.

2. US Forest Service Memorandum of Understanding Update

Scott Walker introduced Tom Phillips with the US Forest Service. Tom updated the group on the status of updating and renewing the MOU between TIPPC and the US Forest Service. President Walker informed the group that they would be happy to form additional MOUs with agencies if there was a desire.

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Alex Mathis provided a financial standing overview, reporting that TIPPC to be in the black with a net income of \$20,065.38. Net revenues were reported to be \$103,416.85 with expenditures totaling \$83,351.47. Alex shared past grant and agreement updates, including a grant from Motorola to develop the TX Invaders phone app.

4. Current Board of Director Introductions

Scott Walker introduced the current TIPPC directors:

President, Scott Walker	Director at Large, Ann Rogers
Past-President, Damon Waitt	Green Industry, Trey Wyatt
Vice-President, Jerry Cook	Non-Profit Organization, John Karges
Treasurer, Alex Mathis	State Agency, Ron Billings
Secretary, Justin Bush	Private Landowner, Janus Waldron
TISSC, Earl Chilton	Director at Large, Amy Graham
Allied Industry, Paula Maywald	

5. New Board of Director Appointments

Scott announced that Paula Maywald and Alan Knutson would be leaving the board, leaving director positions open for nominations after the election of new officers.

- a. Jerry Cook was nominated to fill the position of President. Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.
- b. Autumn Smith-Herron was nominated to fill the position of Vice-President. Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.
- c. Lee Magnum was nominated to fill the director position representing Allied Industry, Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.
- d. Ed LeBrun was nominated to fill the director position representing Academia. Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.
- e. Bob McMahon was nominated to fill a Director at Large position. Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.
- f. Damon Waitt was nominated to fill a Director at Large position. Scott Walker asked all TIPPC members to vote on the nomination. All members in favor, no objections.

6. Other Business

- a. Open House
Scott Walker invited all TIPPC members to an open house at the Port Aransas Beach Club from 6:30 to 9:30 pm.
- b. Awards Banquet
Scott Walker reminded all TIPPC members to attend the awards banquet on the 26th at the City of Port Aransas Civic Center from 6 pm to 9 pm.
- c. CEU Update
Jim Houser announced that TDA, SFA, CFU and ISCA continuing education credits were available for conference participants. CEU forms would be available after the second concurrent session of the day.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Minutes taken and prepared by Justin Bush.