

Association of Texas Appraisers Minutes
Board of Director's Mid-Year Meeting
February 9, 2023

1. Call to order @ 4:01 PM Steve Kahane

2. Roll Call Steve Kahane
 - Board Members Present
 - Steve Kahane
 - Brian Marlow
 - Kathy Tredway
 - Roy Thompson
 - Brandi Dunagan
 - Olivo Castillo
 - Cathy Harper
 - Eileen Brown
 - Pam Teel
 - Bobby Crisp

3. Approval of Minutes:
 - No discussion, Motion to approve by Roy Thompson, 2nd Bobby Crisp

4. Financial Reports Roy Thompson
 - Discussion on breaking down big ticket items into smaller classes such as hotel charge, meeting rooms, food, etc. so that the membership will know how we are spending the association money. As of Sept 1, QuickBooks is online so that Treasurer can always see it.

5. Memberships & Designations Reports Olivo Castillo, Chair
 - Membership is growing. Discussion on mixers. Some of the people that attended were not current members. Olivo discussed ideas of committees in each major market. Found sponsor for mixer so that it didn't cost anything and gave exposure to sponsor also. Discussion on membership announcement for volunteers in major markets. Bryan suggested maybe a zone map for membership by zip/county/area.

6. Old Business Steve Kahane
 - Nothing to discuss.

7. Committees:
 - a. Review of Annual Committee Plans Bryan Marlow
 - Bryan called each committee chair. Moved people around to where people were needed. Need volunteers from membership. Pam to investigate what other organizations do when membership members miss meets. Discussion tabled for old business.

Public Relations Committee not showing up on website. Saturday Bryan Marlow will be asking for volunteers for a couple of committees.

Bylaws Committee

Bobby Crisp, Nothing to report.

Legislative/Current Affairs: Steve Kahane

Greg Stephens, not present for discussion.

TALCB meeting, Pam encourages attendance. Bryan Marlow plans to attend next meeting. Feels as if ATA should attend. Eileen Brown steps up to attend if Bryan cannot. Meetings can be attended online but you cannot comment.

Membership Committee:

Olivo reiterates wanting to form committees for each major market.

Nominating Committee:

Pam Teel, outgoing board members, Pam Teel Rick Neighbors, Kathy Tredway all not eligible for reelection. Nominating committee is President, past president, and vice president. Pam to mention on both days that we need nominees.

Professional Standards:

- Bobby Crisp, nothing to report.

Program Committee:

Cathy Harper proposals for August:

Friday Morning; Expert Witness

Friday Afternoon: 6 Ways to get sued.

Saturday; Back to basics, H&B, Neighborhood, scope of work.

Another option is for CE, NAR Ethics. Discussion on getting approval from TALCB for CE. Another one is having a panel for AMC issues. Mike Lay, John Dingman, Jim Park. Have several people we can have on the panel.

Roy made a motion to accept classes recommended by the program committee and accept changes if needed. 2nd by Bobby Crisp. No other discussion. All in favor.

Discussion on regional meetings: gained a few members from Corpus meeting. Mid-Year classes are normally offered for regional meetings. Discussion on if it is beneficial to repeat the same classes at the regional meetings. Steve Kahane to offer class in Houston. Bobby makes the motion to repeat Corpus classes in Houston. Rick Neighbors, 2nd.

Discussion about attendance numbers before cancelling the class and the need for the class. Keeps ATA relevant. All in favor, no opposed.

Dallas Meeting: Discussion on attendance in Dallas area. Roy makes motion to send Pam and Steve to Dallas to repeat the Houston class. Bryan Marlow 2nd. No discussion. Teresa to set date. All in favor.

- b. Public Relations: Laurie Fontana not present. Bryan suggested that we need additional people on PR committee. Who is responding to the media inquiries? Revisit purpose of committee. ATA possibly needing legal counsel on retainer. Pam to take on research, talking to attorneys. Table to old business. Bobby letter from Appraisal Foundation President: Attended screening from ABC Documentary called "Our America Lowballed", concerning appraisal bias. Pam, intent of PR committee was to take care of drafting responses, no one should speak on behalf of ATA.

8. What is ATA's stance on complaints against appraisers.

9. Social Media Post: Cathy Harper discussed ATA Facebook page and lack of use. ATA Facebook page posting advertisement. Social Media should be tied to a committee. FB is not for the younger crowd. Steve, can we add emails blast to FB. Need to have PR committee handle FB. Pam, Brandy needs to be our PR Social Media marketing person. Brandy to change admin to moderators.

10. Meeting Minutes: Minutes need to be signed.

11. Industry Meeting Reports: Appraisal Summit, ATA well represented.

TAFAC Meeting: Josh Walitt: Gave report. Appraisal foundation creating CARE, Counsel to Advance Residential Equity.

AQB: Education, proposing 7-hour, Fair Housing, QE for new entries, 4-hour CE for existing.

12. Upcoming Meetings

Attending: Acts Conference:
TALCB May 19th
AARO

Steve Kahane
Pam Teel
Bryan Marlow
Steve Kahane

Appraisal Bias Hearings

Steve Kahane
Bryan Reynolds would be good for to represent appraisers.

13. New Business: Bobby Crisp, Per Dave Bunton with Appraisal Foundation is going to organizational conferences like ATA. We can invite them to come to our conference.

Cathy Harper, NAR complaining about appraisers. We are members.

Steve last order is date and time of next board meeting. Teresa, we need to decide Feb 2024. Steve reminds us that it is a USPAP year. San Marcos is much more expensive than Marriot.

Motion by Bobby Crisp to adjourn, Rick Neighborhood 2nd.

Submitted by Kathryn Tredway, Secretary