

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
APRIL 2, 2008**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Judge James Barden, Chairman
Louis Rowe, Vice-Chairman
Judge Diana Bautista
Judge Richard Evans
Judge Carlos Garcia
Michael Korus
Mayor Jack Leonhardt
Mayor Steve Lopez
Commissioner Jay Millikin
Mayor Joe Medinger
Molly Pruitt
Judge Marvin Quinney
Mayor Don Tymrak
Commissioner Bill Williams
Judge Mike Wiggins
Tom Weaver

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Huma Ahmed for Mayor Gene Smith
Victor Cavazos for Commissioner Paul Elizondo
Gilbert Loreda for Senator Leticia Van de Putte
Debra Nicholas for David Chardavoyne
Sonny Torres for Councilwoman Delicia Herrera
Ann Ressig for Judge Gaylan Schroeder

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mayor Gerald Dubinski
Councilwoman Lourdes Galvan
Commissioner Cesareo Guadarrama
Judge Alger Kendall
Linda Rivas
Commissioner Lyle Larson
Commissioner Tommy Adkisson
Judge Mark Stroehrer

GUESTS PRESENT

Al Notzon
Nick Page
Marcy Meffert

STAFF PRESENT

Gloria Arriaga
Dean Danos
Blanca Tapia
Susan Lodge
Rose Jackson
Daniel Watford

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Judge James Barden.

Roll call was taken and a quorum established.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no citizens to be heard.

Next, Ms. Arriaga gave her Executive Director's report recognizing Molly Pruitt for her 19 years of service on the AACOG Board of Directors and introducing new board member Tom Weaver who represents Special Districts. Ms. Arriaga also recognized the employment anniversaries of Elena Hernandez – 25 years, Susan Lodge – 10 years, Don McFarland – 5 years, Donna Hessong – 5 years, and Rose Jackson – 5 years. Mike Kohler was also recognized as the new Workforce Director for AACOG. Ms. Arriaga also highlighted several items on the April Community Calendar of Events.

The next item was to consider the following on the consent agenda.

Items on the consent agenda are considered being of a routine nature and may require only limited discussion. The items listed on consent agenda, other than A and Q, have been reviewed by the Management Committee and they recommend approval. Any member of the Board may request that items be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately for purpose of discussion and voting.

A. Consider and act upon approval of the February 27, 2008 Minutes.

B. Consider and act upon approval of the following personnel recommendations:

1. Bexar Mental Retardation Authority

a. Mental Retardation Quality and Contracts Coordinator

The Committee recommends approval of the Mental Retardation Quality and Contracts Coordinator position at a pay group 16, \$62,857.60.

C. Enter into a contract with Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$18,008.00 for the 5311 Rural Public Transportation Program.

The Committee recommends approval to enter into a contract with the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$18,008.00 for the 5311 Rural Public Transportation Program.

D. Consider and act upon approval of the following status reports:

1. Grants
2. Recoveries
3. Balance Sheet
4. Income Statement
5. Board Expenditures
6. Membership Dues

The Committee recommends acceptance of the above status reports.

E. Consider and act upon approval of the second AACOG 2008 Annual Budget Amendment.

The Committee recommends approval of the second AACOG 2008 Annual Budget Amendment, which includes changes on the additional funding from the Commission on State Emergency Communications for the 911 program and the decrease in the Bexar Mental Retardation In Home Family support funding.

F. Consider and act upon approval of contract with University Health Systems in the amount of \$410,000.

The Committee recommends approval for the Executive Director to sign the contract with the University Health System in the amount of \$410,000.

G. Consider and act upon approval of the following items as recommended by the Bexar Area Agency on Aging:

1. FY 08 Budget
2. New Residential Repair Vendor
3. Order of cancellation of election and certification of election for the Texas Silver Haired Legislature.

The Committee recommends approval of the FY08 Budget, new residential repair vendor, Ortiz Carpentry and to dispense the Texas Silver Haired Legislature Election and declare the unopposed candidates elected per the State Election Code.

H. Consider and act upon approval of the following as recommended by the Alamo Senior Advisory Committee:

1. FY 08 Budget Revisions
2. FY 08 Nutrition Provider Target Revisions
3. FY 08 New and Revised Vendors
4. Order of cancellation of election and certification of election for the Texas Silver Haired Legislature.

The Committee recommends approval of the FY08 Budget, the FY08 Nutrition Provider Target Revisions, FY08 New and Revised Vendors, Ortiz Carpentry for Residential Repair and Comal Senior Center for Transportation and approval to cancel the Texas Silver Haired Election and certify the election.

- I. Consider and act upon renewing weatherization contractors.

The Committee recommends approval to renew the weatherization contractors, American GI Forum, M&M Weatherization Company and Ram's Construction Company for one year.

- J. Consider and act upon reestablishment of the Health and Human Services Advisory Committee.

The Committee recommends approval to reestablish the Regional Health and Human Services Advisory Committee as a standing Committee of the AACOG Board of Directors.

- K. Update on Ryan White program transition to Bexar County.

April 1st, the HIV Services Program will transition from AACOG back to Bexar County. Staff of both entities are meeting regularly and frequently to ensure that services to clients through provider agencies continue without interruption.

- L. Consider and act upon confirming the story content material for the Alamo Area Business Images Magazine.

The Committee recommends confirmation of the Management Committee approval of the story content material for the Alamo Area Business Images Magazine, since the deadline for submittal of the story content was March 20, 2008.

- M. Consider and act upon approval of letter of support for fully funding the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) as part of the FY 2009 appropriations process.

The Committee recommends approval of a letter of support for fully funding the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) as part of the FY 2009 appropriations process.

- N. Consider and act upon approval of contractor for Austin/San Antonio Joint Meteorological Modeling Refinement Project.

The Committee recommends approval to contract with ENVIRON for the Austin/San Antonio Joint Meteorological Modeling Refinement Project.

- O. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a Lease Agreement with Kendall County for office and parking space for the 5311 Rural Public Transportation Program.

The Committee recommends approval for the Executive Director to enter into a Lease Agreement with Kendall County providing office and parking space in Boerne, as an In-kind donation for the 5311 Rural Public Transportation program.

- P. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to submit the Strategic Plan for the 911 Program Stage One Base Budgets for FY 2010 in the amount of \$1,739,829 and FY 2011 in the amount of \$1,444,871.

The Committee recommends approval for the Executive Director to submit the Strategic Plan for the 911 Program Stage One Base Budgets for FY 2010 in the amount of \$1,739,829 and FY 2011 in the amount of \$1,444,871.

- Q. Consider and act upon the following from the Health and Human Services Advisory Staff Committee:

1. Comfort Independent School District, "Comfort - Literacy Through Libraries Project". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$401,329.
2. K's Community Development Corporation, "Basic Center Program, Street Outreach, 15 Days Emergency Shelter". Funding: Administration for Children Youth and Families: \$200,000.
3. Lytle Independent School District, "LEAP Lytle Education Assistance Program". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$399,000.63.
4. North East Independent School District, "MacArthur High School Smaller Learning Communities Initiative". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$1,500,000.
5. Northside Independent School District, "Northside ISD Smaller Learning Communities: Creating a College-Going and Career Culture". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$6,973,408.
6. Pleasanton Independent School District, "Integrated Libraries Project (ILP)". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$497,921.
7. Runge Independent School District, "Enhancing Library Functions Program (ELF)". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$409,703.
8. San Antonio Independent School District, "Fine Arts Connections with Technology for Student Success (FACTSS)". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$349,120.
9. San Antonio Independent School District, "San Antonio ISD Smaller Learning Communities to Support 9th Grade Academies at Burbank and Jefferson High Schools". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$554,189.
10. South San Antonio Independent School District, "Classroom Library Connection (CLC)". Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$499,214.

After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Wiggins, seconded by Mayor Lopez approval of the items on the consent agenda. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon the following Committee Reports:

A. Management Committee

1. Consider and act upon presentation on external management review of Community Council of South Central Texas, Inc.

Al Notzon presented an update on the external management review of Community Council of South Central Texas, Inc. After discussion, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by

Mayor Tymrak not to extend financial assistance to Community Council of South Central Texas, Inc. and for AACOG to pursue other alternatives for the counties of Atascosa, Frio, Guadalupe, Karnes and Wilson for the Aging nutrition program. After consideration, the Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion and appropriate action on the Strategic Planning Report.

Jonathan Schick with Goal Consulting presented the AACOG Strategic Planning Report to the Board members. Mayor Leonhardt stated the Committee recommends approval to adopt the Strategic Planning Report as presented. The Motion carried unanimously. Judge Barden stated that this item will be brought back to the Management Committee next month to discuss appointing a Strategic Planning Committee.

3. Consider and act upon appointment of a TARC 2010 Conference Planning Committee.

Ms. Arriaga stated AACOG will be hosting the 2010 TARC 2010 Annual Conference and is currently requesting volunteers to serve on a Conference Planning Committee. Judge Barden indicated that any of the Board members interested should contact Ms. Arriaga.

B. Area Judges

Judge Quinney reported on the Area Judges meeting. No action required.

C. Alamo Area Development Corporation

Judge Barden reported on the Alamo Area Development Corporation meeting. No action required.

The next item was to consider and act upon approval of the following as recommended by the Economic Development Environmental Review Committee:

- A. City of Kenedy. "Renewable Energy to SCADA system valves for water system." Funding: Community Development Block Grants; United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: \$167,000.
- B. Anthony Thomas March. "Home Water Efficiency through Water Harvesting." Funding: United States Environmental Protection Agency: \$600,000.
- C. Alamo Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. Funding: United States Environmental Protection Agency: \$600,000.

Nick Page stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through C. After consideration, a Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Mayor Leonhardt, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon approval of the following as recommended by the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee:

TRACS

- A. Boerne Independent School District. "Boerne ISD Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program (CAAPP)." Funding: Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities: \$210,065.
- B. Runge Independent School District. "Knowledge Base Program (KBP)." Funding: Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities: \$1,349,279.

VOCA

- A. Alamo Area Rape Crisis Center, "Sexual Violence Hotline & Comprehensive Counseling Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$350,000.
- B. Alamo Children's Advocacy Center d.b.a. ChildSafe, "Victim Assistance Services". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$124,477.
- C. Atascosa Family Crisis Center, "Atascosa County Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$82,597.
- D. Bexar County, "Community Advocate Program". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$108,730.
- E. Bexar County, "Family Justice Center Coordinated Intake Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$141,370.
- F. Bluebonnet Children's Center, "Bluebonnet Children's Advocacy Center". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$37,335.95.
- G. Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of San Antonio, "Catholic Charities Crime Victims Counseling Program". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$114,960.
- H. Children's Advocacy Center of Comal County, "Forensic Interviewing of Abused Children". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$20,000.
- I. Comal County Family Violence Shelter, "Victims Aid Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$111,328.
- J. Connections Individual and Family Services, "VOCA Rural Counseling and Crisis Services". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$113,714.
- K. Family Service Association of San Antonio, "Individual and Family Crisis Counseling and Support Services Victims of Crime Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) : \$150,000.
- L. Family Violence Prevention Services, "Victim Stabilization and Support Program". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) : \$74,250.
- M. Guadalupe County Children's Advocacy Center, "Children's Advocacy Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$100,000.
- N. Hill Country Crisis Council, "VOCA Victim Assistance Project". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$209,061.
- O. Jewish Family and Childrens Service of San Antonio, "Victims of Crime - Counseling". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) : \$254,441.
- P. Kendall County, "Crime Victims Assistance/Advocacy Program". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$136,020.
- Q. Kerr County, "Crime Victims' Rights Coordinator". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$54,548.
- R. KIDS' Advocacy Place, "Victims Trauma Reduction". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$59,310.2.

- S. Not Above the Law (NATL), "Enhancing Victim Services in Bexar, Kendall, and Kerr Counties". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$77,615.96.
- T. San Antonio, City of, "Project EASE". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$30,880.
- U. Seton Home, "Project Safe Haven". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$98,386.
- V. Southwest Family Life Centers, "Domestic Violence". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$41,449.
- W. St. Jude's Ranch for Children, "Child Guidance and Services". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) : \$105,324.92.
- X. St. Peter - St. Joseph Children's Home, "St. PJ's Safe Haven Counseling Center". Funding: Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): \$128,157.
- Y. Consider and act upon approval of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Priority Ranking Sheet.

Ms. Marcy Meffert stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through X and approval of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Priority Ranking Sheet. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Mayor Tymrak, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon recognizing April as Fair Housing Month as recommended by the Housing Advisory Committee:

Rose Jackson stated the Housing Advisory Committee recommends approval to recognize April as Fair Housing Month. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Mayor Leonhardt approval to recognize April as Fair Housing Month. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon appointment of the Chair to the Community Affairs Committee.

Ms. Arriaga stated indicated that the Chair of the Community Affairs Committee has been Ms. Molly Pruitt since its inception and due to her no longer being a member of the AACOG Board of Directors, the Chairman position is currently vacant. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Mr. Rowe to appoint Mayor Don Tymrak as Chairman of the Community Relations Committee. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon appointment of the Chair and members of the Bylaws Committee.

Ms. Arriaga stated that its time again to review the Bylaws and is requesting members to serve on the Bylaws Committee. After consideration, a Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Judge Bautista to appoint Judge Richard Evans as Chairman of the Bylaws Committee with Mayor Don Tymrak, Mayor Jack Leonhardt, Commissioner Paul Elizondo and Commissioner Tommy Adkisson as members of the Committee. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon request to authorize AACOG Board Chairman and AACOG Executive Director to sign a letter in support of the Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance's application for "Smart Growth Implementation Assistance."

Dean Danos stated staff recommends approval to authorize AACOG Board Chairman and

AACOG Executive Director to sign a letter in support of the Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance's application for "Smart Growth Implementation Assistance." After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Mr. Rowe approval to sign a letter of support. The Motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to consider and act upon nomination of alternates to the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee.

Dean Danos stated the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) recommends approval of membership to the REPAC Committee for Dr. John Herbol and Dr. Sam G. Morale. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Mr. Rowe approval of membership to the REPAC Committee. The Motion carried unanimously.

Next, the Board members adjourned at 2:48 p.m. into Executive Session to discuss the following:

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, the Management Committee may convene in a closed session. After the Executive Session, discussion on any of the following items, any final action or vote, shall be in public.

(A) Consultation with AACOG's Attorney in Accordance with Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Pending Litigation – Dekeno vs. AACOG.

The Board members reconvened at 2:53 p.m. and no action was taken.

Judge Barden stated that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.