

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEPTEMBER 2, 2009**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Jay Millikin, Chairman
Judge James Barden, Vice-Chairman
Judge Diana Bautista
Judge Richard Evans
Judge Alger Kendall
Michael Korus
Mayor David Marne
Judge Marvin Quinney
Katie Reed
Mayor Tom Schoolcraft
Judge Mark Stroehler
Mayor Don Tymrak
Mayor Ruby Vera
Tom Weaver
Commissioner Bill Williams
Mayor John Williams

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Victor Cavazos for Commissioner Elizondo
Susan Farris for Commissioner Kevin Wolff
Gilbert Loreda for Senator Van de Putte
Billy Peche for Rep. Robert Puente
Comm. Jim Wolverton for Judge Wiggins

VACANT

3 – City of San Antonio

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Tommy Adkisson
Judge Carlos Garcia
Mayor Dan Heckler
Rep. Doug Miller
Linda Rivas
Judge Gaylan Schroeder

GUESTS PRESENT

Lisa Adelman
Shannon Nesbit
Nick Page

STAFF PRESENT

Gloria Arriaga
Rosa Adair
James Almaguer
Dean Danos
Tiffany Harris
Ben Herr
Maureen Kalifa
Susan Lodge
Christina Pintor
Melissa Pulido
Blanca Tapia
Daniel Watford

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Commissioner Jay Millikin.
2. Roll call was taken and a quorum established.
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. There were no Citizens to be Heard.
5. Mrs. Arriaga gave her Executive Director's Report on the following items:
 - A. New AACOG Member:
 - 1) South Texas Regional Water Alliance
 - B. New Directors:

- 1) Ben Herr – Regional Transportation Director
- 2) Tim Treviño – Public Relations Director

C. Anniversaries:

- 1) James Almaguer – 15 Years
- 2) Christina Pintor – 10 Years
- 3) Rosa Adair – 5 Years
- 4) Maureen Kalifa – 5 Years

D. Hydrogen Education Workshop and Hydrogen Code Session

E. TARC Texas Conference on Regionalism.

- 1) 2009 TARC Texas Conference on Regionalism
- 2) 2010 TARC Texas Conference on Regionalism Sponsorships

F. AACOG Awareness Workshops.

G. Business Images of the Alamo Area Magazine Update.

H. Jump Start Grants Awarded.

I. Texas Falls Prevention Week.

J. Criminal Justice Community Planning Meetings.

6. 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 L) have been reviewed by the Management/Audit 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 July 29, 2009 Minutes.
- B. Consider and act upon approving the following personnel recommendation:
 - 1) Replacing the position of Criminal Justice Director with Public Safety Director.
- C. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to re-enter into a contract with the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for the Community and Economic Development Assistance Fund (CEDAF) in the amount of \$11,138.00 for FY 2010.
- D. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to accept \$23,477.00 in additional U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds for the FY 2009 Section 8 Program.
- E. Consider and act upon approving the following:

- 1) Status Reports.
 - a. Grants.
 - b. Recoveries.
 - c. Balance Sheet.
 - d. Income Statement.
 - e. Board Expenditures.

- F. Consider and act upon the following from the Accounting Department:
 - 1) Status on the 2010 AACOG Annual Budget.
 - 2) Authorize the Executive Director to open a savings account with JPMorgan Chase Bank and discontinue the "Sweep Account" agreement.
 - 3) Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Muncipay Nationwide Payment Solutions to accept credit card payments to AACOG.

- G. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for an Agent of Record for AACOG disability, life, medical, dental and vision insurance benefits.

- H. Consider and act upon the following items from the Bexar Mental Retardation Authority (BMRA) Program:
 - 1) Authorizing the Executive Director to execute the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) Performance Contract document for fiscal years 2010 and 2011, and FY 2010 allocation in the amount of \$6,507,567.00.
 - 2) Authorizing the Executive Director to release a Request for Proposal for a Crisis Respite Contractor for the provision of Crisis Respite Safety Net services to the BMRA, as prescribed in the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) performance contract, beginning September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2011.

- I. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to contract with Bratton Construction Specialties for the provision of weatherization services in PY 2009-2010.

- J. Consider and act upon the following from the Rural Public Transit Program:
 - 1) Authorizing the Executive Director to renew the lease agreement with Guadalupe County for providing office and parking space.
 - 2) Authorizing the Executive Director to renew the lease agreement with Kendall County for providing office and parking space.
 - 3) Authorizing the Executive Director to contract with the Texas Department of Transportation to provide funding for the Regional Coordination Planning Program in the amount of \$60,000.00. The contract date will begin September 1, 2009 and end on August 31, 2010.

- K. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to extend the Homeland Security Maintenance and Hosting Services funds for a third year option with Apex Innovations for an additional \$73,292.00.

- L. Consider and act upon the following as recommended by the Metropolitan Planning Organization:

- 1) Amendments to the FY 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program – TRACS Review.
- 2) FY 2010-2011 Unified Planning Work Program.

A Motion was made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the items on the consent agenda. The Motion carried unanimously.

7. Consider and act upon the following Committee Reports:

Board Action

A. Management/Audit Committee

Consider an act upon the following from the Management/Audit Committee:

- 1) Discussion and appropriate action on the proposed AACOG employer contribution rate to the Texas County and District Retirement System for Plan Year 2010.
- 2) Consider and act upon amending AACOG's lease with Cotter LLC for an additional 3,526 rentable square feet.

Judge Barden stated the Committee recommends approving the items 7. A. 1) and 2). After consideration, the Motion carried unanimously.

B. Nominating Committee

Consider and act upon recommendation to the AACOG Board of Directors on Vice Chair for the remainder of 2009.

Judge Evans stated the Nominating Committee recommends Judge Marvin Quinney of Wilson County as Vice-Chair of the AACOG Board of Director for the remainder of 2009. The Motion carried unanimously.

Non – Board Action (Report only)

C. Area Judges

- 1) Consider and act upon the recommendations from the Committee of Six for appointments and reappointments to the Workforce Solutions-Alamo Board of Directors:

- a) Confirmation of the appointment of Theresa Ramos to the unexpired term ending December 31, 2009 for Place 21 representing Labor.
- b) Appointment of Julie Delahunt to the unexpired term ending December 31, 2009 for Place 5 representing Business.
- c) Reappointment of the following to terms beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2012:
 - (1) Robert Hoek, Crownhill Builders – Place 2 representing Business.
 - (2) Julie Delahunt – Place 5 representing Business.
 - (3) Ray Romero, Hero Assemblers – Place 9 representing Business

- (4) Ernest Serrato, DPT Laboratories – Place 10 representing Business.
 - (5) Toni Van Buren, United Way – Place 14 representing Community Based Organization (CBO).
 - (6) Nancy Hard, Family Services Association – Place 16 representing CBO.
 - (7) Theresa Ramos– Place 21 representing Labor.
 - (8) Lydia Martinez, Northside ISD – Place 22 representing Literacy.
 - (9) Scott Eychner, TWC – Place 24 representing Public Employment.
- 2) Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to perform the following from the Rural Public Transportation Program:
- a) Amending ART’s Drug & Alcohol Policy with FTA’s final ruling.
 - b) Authorizing the Executive Director to renew Lease Agreement with Kendall County for providing office and parking space.
 - c) Authorizing the Executive Director to renew Lease Agreement with Guadalupe County for providing office space and parking space.
 - d) Authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract with TxDOT – Regional Coordination Planning – Federal Funds in the amount of \$60,000.00.
- 3) Consider and act upon approving the Annual Operating Budget of the Workforce Solutions – Alamo Board in the amount of \$95,021,209.00.

Commissioner Williams reported on the Area Judges meeting. No action required.

8. Consider and act upon the following Texas Review and Comments System (TRACS) recommendations from the Economic Development Environmental Review Committee:
- A. City of Somerset. “Somerset Water Spray Park and Trails.” Funding: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department: \$253,750.00.
 - B. Karnes County Hospital District. “Wellness and Rehabilitation Center Building.” Funding: United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development (Loan): \$2,900,000.00.
 - C. City of Kerrville. “Spray Park in Lehmann and Monroe Park” Funding: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department: \$200,000.00.
 - D. City of Grey Forest. “Senator Frank Madla, Jr. Natural Area.” Funding: Texas Park and Wildlife Department: \$684,035.00.

Nick Page stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through D. After consideration, a Motion was made by Mayor Marne, seconded by Mrs. Reed, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

9. Consider and act upon the following Texas Review and Comments System (TRACS) recommendations from the Regional Health and Human Services Advisory Committee:
- A. Alamo Community College District, “Alamo Area Energy for the Futures Site and Demonstration Events.” Funding: U.S. Small Business Administration: \$100,000.00.

- B. Atascosa Health Science Center, "Community Health Centers." Funding: Health Resources and Service Administration: \$2,360,000.00.
- C. Avance - San Antonio, "Early Head Start Expansion." Funding: Health and Human Services / Administration for Children / Office of Head Start: \$3,638,867.00.
- D. Center for New Communities, "Early Head Start Expansion." Funding: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services / Administration for Children / Office of Head Start: \$5,000,000.00.
- E. Haven for Hope of Bexar County Texas, "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 - Strengthening Communities Fund - Nonprofit Capacity Building Program." Funding: Administration for Children and Families: \$1,000,000.00.
- F. National Association for Latino Community, "Strengthening Communities." Funding: Administration for Children: \$750,000.00.
- G. Stelos Alliance, "Principled Leadership Institute." Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$232,364.00.
- H. The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, "Aprendemos Juntos." Funding: U.S. Department of Education: \$1,418,246.00.
- I. University of the Incarnate Word, "Building the Graduate Community of Scholarship." Funding: U. S. Department of Education: \$2,814,856.00.
- J. Christian Senior Services, "Senior Companion Program." Funding: Corporation for National and Community Service: \$288,638.00.
- K. Parent Child Incorporated, "Early Head Start." Funding: Administration for Children and Families - Office of Head Start: \$5,291,475.00.

Shannon Nesbit stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through K. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Barden, seconded by Mayor Tymrak, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

- 10. Consider and act upon request from the Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) that the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) become a Participating Agency with the RMA in the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed transportation project on US 281.

Lisa Adelman from the Alamo RMA discussed the request from the Alamo RMA that AACOG become a Participating Agency with the RMA in the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed transportation project on US 281. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Barden, seconded by Commissioner Williams to defer this item to next month and refer it to the Management/Audit Committee. Mayor Tymrak opposed. The Motion carried.

- 11. Commissioner Millikin stated the next meeting date will be Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.