

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OCTOBER 22, 2008**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Judge James Barden, Chairman
Councilman Louis Rowe
Judge Diana Bautista
Judge Richard Evans
Commissioner Cesareo Guadarrama
Mayor Dan Heckler
Councilwoman Delicia Herrera
Judge Alger Kendall
Michael Korus

Mayor Jack Leonhardt
Mayor David Marne
Commissioner Jay Millikin
Judge Marvin Quinney
Mayor Tom Schoolcraft
Katie Reed
Linda Rivas
Judge Mark Stroehrer
Mayor Don Tymrak
Commissioner Bill Williams
Judge Mike Wiggins
Tom Weaver

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Susan Farris for Commissioner Larson
Mario Llano for Commissioner Adkisson
Maria Lopez for Councilwoman Galvan
Billy Peche for Rep Puente
Gilbert Loreda for Senator Van de Putte
Bobby Perez for Senator Van de Putte

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Paul Elizondo
Judge Carlos Garcia
Mayor Steve Lopez
Judge Gaylan Schroeder

GUESTS PRESENT

Mario Medina, TXDOT
Nancy Hunter

STAFF PRESENT

Gloria Arriaga
Dean Danos
Blanca Tapia
Susan Lodge
Don McFarland
Bill Jones
Mary Guardiola
Cindy Krueger
Tiffany Pickens
Daniel Watford
Melissa Pulido

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Judge James Barden.
2. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. There were no citizens to be heard.
5. Next. Ms. Arriaga gave her Executive Director's Report on the following items.
 - A. Board Update on 2008 Texas Conference on Regionalism.
 - B. Upcoming Events:
 1. National Weatherization Day Briefing for Elected Officials – October 28.

2. Blue Skyways Collaborative Annual Meeting – October 29-31.
3. Inaugural 2009 Legislative Forum – October 30.
4. 20th Annual Swearing in Ceremony – November 22.
5. 20th Annual Christmas Along the Corridor Event – December 6.
6. December Semiannual Meeting – December 10.

C. Employee Anniversaries:

1. Bill Jones – 5 years.
2. Mary Guardiola – 15 years.
3. Cindy Krueger – 15 years.

D. The following presentations were made:

1. Texas Department of Transportation – Mario Medina, District Engineer.
2. Mental Retardation Program – Nancy Hunter, Planning Network Advisory Committee (PNAC) Chair.

6. The next item was to consider and act upon approval of the following items 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) 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 September 24, 2008 Minutes.
- B. Consider and act upon approval of AACOG Holiday Schedule for 2009.

The Committee recommends approving AACOG's Holiday Schedule for 2009 – 12 holidays with 1 designated holiday for a total of 13.

- C. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into Interagency Cooperation Contracts of \$20,000.00 each with the following:
 1. Rainbow Senior Center in Kendall County.
 2. Comal Senior Center in Comal County.

The Committee recommends approving for the Executive Director to enter into Interagency Cooperation Contracts of \$20,000.00 each for Rainbow Senior Center in Kendall County and Comal Senior Center in Comal County.

- D. Consider and act upon approval of an AACOG ad in the 2009 Business Images Magazine of the Alamo Area, Texas for an amount not to exceed \$2,600.00.

The Committee recommends approval to authorize the Executive Director to purchase an ad in the 2009 Business Images Magazine for the Alamo Area, Texas in the amount not to exceed \$2,600.00.

- E. Consider and act upon releasing a Request for Quote for a follow-up Strategic Planning Retreat in February 2009.

The Committee recommends approving the releasing a Request for Quote for a follow-up Strategic Planning Retreat in February 2009.

- F. Consider and act upon endorsing a letter to the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services requesting a review and amendment to Texas Administrative Code 83.15(b)(1) regarding raising the allowable carryover for all AAA's to 5%.

The Committee recommends approval to endorsing a letter to the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services requesting a review and amendment to Texas Administrative Code 83.15(b)(1) regarding raising the allowable carryover for all AAA's to 5%.

- G. Consider and act upon approval of the following status reports:
 - 1. Grants.
 - 2. Recoveries.
 - 3. Balance Sheet.
 - 4. Income Statement.
 - 5. Board Expenditures.
 - 6. Texpool Quarterly.
 - 7. Ryan White Program.

The Committee recommends acceptance of the above status reports.

- H. Consider and act upon change to Personnel Policies regarding recording of communications.

The Committee recommends approving the change to the Personnel Policies regarding recording of communications.

- I. Discussion and appropriate action regarding the following items for the Bexar Mental Retardation Authority:
 - 1. Appeal the penalty proposed by the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS), with possible payment of \$3,000.00 penalty.
 - 2. Procurement of outside review of program operations/files to improve and enhance Bexar Mental Retardation Authority (BMRA) service, not to exceed \$8,500.00.

The Committee recommends approval to appeal the penalty proposed by the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS), with possible payment of \$3,000.00 penalty and procurement of outside review of program operations/files to improve and enhance Bexar Mental Retardation Authority (BMRA) service, not to exceed \$8,500.00.

- J. Consider and act upon authorizing approval to purchase six (6) Type III Vehicles with Alamo Regional Transit's local funds through the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program in the amount not to exceed \$450,000.00.

The Committee recommends approving the purchase of six (6) Type III Vehicles with Alamo Regional Transit's local funds through the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program in the amount not to exceed \$450,000.00.

- K. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to execute the Interagency Cooperation Contract between AACOG and The Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division in the amount not to exceed \$231,212.65.

The Committee recommends authorizing the Executive Director to execute the Interagency Cooperation Contract between AACOG and the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division in the amount not to exceed \$231,212.65.

- L. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a three-year Investment Assistance grant with the Economic Development Administration for a grant amount totaling \$150,000.00.

The Committee recommends authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a three year Investment Assistance grant with the Economic Development Administration for a grant amount totaling \$150,000.00.

After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Mayor Tymrak to approve the items on the consent agenda. The Motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Management Committee

1. Consider and act upon approval of the following:

- a. 2008 Seventh (7th) Budget Amendment
- b. Draft 2009 Budget.

Councilman Rowe stated the Committee recommends approval of the 2008 Seventh (7th) Budget Amendment as shown on items 7.A.1.a. for a total 7th Budget Amendment amount to \$33,758,239.00. Ms. Arriaga also presented the Draft 2009 Budget indicating that staff recommends approval of the Draft 2009 Budget of \$36,349,305.00 which includes a 6% cost of living/merit increase. After consideration, the Motion carried unanimously.

B. Nominating Committee

Consider and act upon recommendation for AACOG 2009 Officers.

Judge Evans stated the Committee recommends the appointment of Councilman Louis Rowe as Chairman and Commissioner Jay Millikin as Vice-Chairman of the AACOG Board of Directors for 2009. After consideration, the Motion carried unanimously.

C. Strategic Planning Committee

Mayor Leonhardt reported on the Strategic Planning Committee meeting. No action required.

D. Area Judges

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

E. Legislative Committee

Commissioner Millikin reported on the Legislative Committee meeting stating the Committee recommends approving the adoption of the Legislative Priorities. After consideration, the Motion carried unanimously.

8. The next item was to consider and act upon approval of the following as recommended by the Regional Health and Human Services Advisory Committee:

- A. Community Services Agency of South Texas, Inc., "Head Start Program."
Funding: Administration for Children and Families: \$4,410,129.00.
- B. Community Services Agency of South Texas, Inc., "Early Head Start Program."
Funding: Administration for Children and Families: \$614,641.00.

- C. St. Phillip's College, "Capacity Building for STEM Disciplines and Energy Technologies." Funding: U.S. Dept of Education: \$1,639,361.00.
- D. University Hospital Systems, "State and Territorial and Technical Assistance Capacity Development Minority HIV/AIDS Demonstration Program." Funding: Office of Public Health and Science: \$225,000.00.

Susan Lodge stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through D. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Councilman Rowe to approve items A through D. The Motion carried unanimously.

- 9. The next item was to consider and act upon approval of the following as recommended by Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee:

- A. FY 2008 State Homeland Security funding allocations

Bexar County	\$518,776.00
City of Ingram	\$ 27,093.00
Karnes County/Kenedy	\$ 24,665.00
Kerr County	\$ 90,665.00
City of Kerrville	\$ 74,430.00
City of San Antonio	\$1,689,834.00
City of Seguin	\$ 95,775.84

Don McFarland stated the Committee recommends approving the above funding allocations for the FY 2008 State Homeland Security. After consideration, a Motion was made by Mayor Leonhardt, seconded by Judge Bautista to approve the FY 2008 State Homeland Security funding allocations. The Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Agreement with Governors Department of Emergency Management regarding Homeland Security Training/Exercise Program in the amount of \$256,662.43.

Don McFarland stated the Committee recommends approving an agreement with the Governors Department of Emergency Management regarding Homeland Security Training/Exercise Program in the amount of \$256,662.43. After consideration, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Herrera, seconded by Mayor Marne to approve the agreement. The Motion carried unanimously.

- 10. The next item was to consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to accept the 2008 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP) in the amount of \$116,959.04.

Don McFarland stated staff recommends approving the Executive Director to accept the 2008 Interoperable Emergency Communication Grant Program (IECGP) in the amount of \$116,959.04. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Councilwoman Herrera for the Executive Director to accept the 2008 Interoperable Emergency Communication Grant Program in the amount of \$116,959.04. The Motion carried unanimously.

- 11. Consider and act upon the following as recommended by the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee:

- A. San Antonio Fighting Back, Inc., "Denver Heights/Dignowity Hills Weed Seed Program." Funding: Department of Justice: \$100,000.00.

Dean Danos stated the Committee recommends favorable review of item A. After consideration, a Motion was made by Mayor Leonhardt, seconded by Mr. Perez favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

12. The next item was to consider and act upon proposed 2009 Board of Directors meeting dates.

Ms. Arriaga presented the proposed 2009 Board of Directors meeting dates and is requesting the Board members to review and forward any comments to her. After consideration, a Motion was made by Mayor Tymrak, seconded by Commissioner Williams to bring back this item at the next meeting, December 10, 2008. The Motion carried unanimously.

13. Judge Barden stated the next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at Marriott Plaza Hotel.

14. Information Items.

Judge Barden stated that the next ACOG Economic Development Stakeholder Group will be held in Hondo on November 14, 2008.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.