



TETAF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2018
Conference Call

Present: Jeff Beeson

Scott Christopher

Eric Epley

Donald Jenkins

Jorie Klein

Kenneth Mattox

Kathy Perkins

Darrell Pile

Edward Racht

Ricky Reeves

Lori Robb

Danny Updike

Peyton Ware

Dudley Wait

Absent: Nilda Garcia

Wanda Helgesen

Craig Rhyne

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am

Attendance was taken. Dinah Welsh, Brenda Putz & Courtney DeBower were present from the TETAF staff.

- 1) Chair Racht began a discussion on the Council appointment process. Councils will be appointed for the time based on those recommendations previously received.
 - Jorie Klein spoke about finding a broad knowledge base for the Survey/Verification Council and made recommendations.
 - Scott Christopher made general recommendations for the Education Council. Dr. Racht recommended the council look into distance learning.
 - Recommendation was made that TETAF staff look at all appointments across Councils to check for duplication of membership and proper geographic representation. *Create list with Council name, Chair, board members, suggested non-board members, geographic or demographic representation, role of that council.*
 - Dr. Beeson shared there were six names interested in Advocacy Council. One is a RAC representative and there are already three other RAC staff, otherwise no concerns. One prefers Governance Council. Dr. Beeson wants to make sure there is some rural representation.

- Dudley Wait joined the call at this point and a brief discussion was had on the Governance Council.
 - Ms. Welsh provided an update on the suggested names to join the Finance Council.
- 2) Chair Racht brought to the board's attention the proposal from IHS to continue governance support. Discussion was had on their past contributions. It was stated it is possible for the time being to contract with them as needed on an hourly basis and a larger contract can be pursued for strategic planning or a board retreat. The other option would be to accept the full proposal at this time.
- Peyton Ware and Dudley Wait expressed concern about cutting ties and recommended we move forward with the proposal. Mr. Ware stressed
 - Dr. Mattox recommended holding the funding for the time being to best utilize their resources down the road.
 - After further discussion, *Dr. Mattox moved to continue working with IHS and accept their proposal. Mr. Epley seconded. All in favor. None opposed. None abstained.*
- 3) Chair Racht recommended a retreat that would include two overnight stays. Discussion occurred over potential dates. April/May is too soon. Summer can be difficult for families. Dr. Racht proposed the meeting not occur any later than October. It was expressed by several board members that the meeting should occur as soon as possible and proposed that TETAF send out a doodle poll with potential dates. *TETAF staff will work with Chair to determine potential dates and then share with full board (May, June, July).*
- 4) Ms. Welsh provided a legislative update. The official announcement was made that RAC contracts would be made whole. After some concerns were expressed regarding the formula used, tweaks were made by HHSC/DSHS. TETAF has sent a letter to lawmakers thanking them for their support and intervention. TETAF has been invited to attend a weekly meeting of the Republican Caucus Chief of Staffs and provide information on trauma system funding and the RACs.
- A discussion was had on ASPR and emergency preparedness.
- 5) Treasurer's Report: Ms. Welsh shared the auditors have received all requested info from TETAF and have met with both Ms. Welsh and Debbie Nichols. The audit report is expected in the next few weeks.
- 6) Secretary's Report: February board meeting minutes were provided prior to the meeting. The board chose to postpone approval until the May in-person meeting.
- 7) Ms. Welsh reminded the board that per the IHS report, all documents for board meetings will live on tetaf.boardeffect.com and can be pulled from that site.
- 8) Chair Racht adjourned the meeting at 11:27 am.