

Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association
Tuesday Nov. 29, 2011
Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting
Country Barn Steak House
Amarillo, TX

Vice-president Layne Hardesty welcomed every one to the annual banquet and opened with a prayer.

Following the meal Layne introduced the speaker, Carmon McCain of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1. Mr. Mc Cain reminded those present of the continuing population growth taking place and the resulting increased demand on the state's water resources. He summarized the Rules Amendments for the Groundwater Management Areas (GMAs) and the Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) of these in Texas. As an example he gave the rules for extraction in HPWD as 1.75 ac-in per acre in 2012 and decreasing to 1.25 ac-in per acre in 2016. He stated that all wells with discharges greater than 17.5 gpm would have to file production reports for 2012. He encouraged everyone to stay informed by visiting the website of the district at www.hpwd.com.

Layne thanked Carmon for his presentation and called the meeting to order with 25 people present. He introduced the new Executive Secretary, Kern Stutler. He encouraged members to up-date their membership and contact information for the new directory which will be coming out in the near future.

Nich Kenney presented a summary of the minutes of the previous annual meeting and stated that these would be posted on the web page for anyone interested in the details and who might care to make comment or corrections. Farris Hightower moved and Mike Buxkemper seconded that the minutes be approved, motion passed. Nich also presented the financial as follows:

Income YTD	\$18,125
Expenses YTD	\$ 8,709
Balances Nov. 15, 2011	
Checking account	\$100
Sweep account	\$20,404.13
CD	\$31,296
Scholarship checking	\$50
Scholarship sweep acct	\$9,863.75
CD	\$15,188

Farris Hightower moved and Jim Hunt seconded that the financial report be accepted, motion carried.

Those currently receiving money from the Dick Laursen Memorial Scholarship Fund were named as follows:

Levi Schaefer - TTU
James Mahaffey – TA&M
Carlee Archer – TA&M Commerce
Shelby Redgate – TA&M

The High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show to be held in the Amarillo Civic Center January 19, 2012, was announced. Layne encourage all members to support this and promote participation. The flyer is currently on the TAIA Webpage and along with Exhibitors Agreement will be mailed to TAIA members with current email addresses and mailed to others.

Committees

Layne presented the results of the nomination committee as follows:

President – Layne Hardesty
Vice president – Nich Kenny
Secretary-Treasurer – Andy Brumley
Len Sheets – North Representative
Albert Reyna - West Representative
Steve Driewer – At large representative

Auditing Committee
Mike Buxkemper
Keden Burk

Nomination Committee
John Taylor, Chair
Nich Kenney
Farris Hightower

Scholarship committee
Matt Laursen.
Edie Bartos
Steven Driewer

Eddy Riggins moved and Ross Roberts seconded that the names of the nominations committee be accepted, motion carried.

Vice President Hardesty thanked absentee President Danny Sosebee for his service the past year, stated that his plaque would be mailed to him and took over as President for 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with a closing prayer by President Layne Hardesty.