

MINUTES
 East Texas Regional Water Planning Group
 July 6, 1999, 10 AM
 Nacogdoches Recreation Center
 1112 North Street
 Nacogdoches, TX

(Action Items In Italics)

- I. Call to Order: Mr. Nick Carter, ETRWPG Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.
- II. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Jerry Clark delivered the invocation. Mr. Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call of Voting Members/Non-Voting Members: Mr. Carter asked Van Bush to call the roll.

Voting Members present were as follows (17 of 22 present):

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| David Alders | Chris von Doenhoff | Leon Young |
| Michael Harbordt | Melvin Swoboda | Dick Nugent |
| Monty Shank | George Campbell | Bob Gregg |
| Bill Kimbrough | Glenda Kindle | LaNell Larsen |
| Tommy Hebert | Tom Mallory | Nick Carter |
| Ernest Mosby | Kelley Holcomb | |

Non-Voting Members present were as follows:

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| Bart Bauer | J.D. Beffort | Robert McCarthy |
| Leroy Burch | Jerry Mambretti | |

- IV. Approval of Minutes of June 1, 1999- *Melvin Swoboda made the motion to accept the Minutes as presented, Tommy Hebert seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.*
- V. Program Presentation: Mr. Carter asked J.D. Beffort to introduce Ms. Cindy Loeffler of TPWD. Ms. Loeffler made a presentation discussing environmental uses and needs as part of SB 1 Water Planning. She explained the processes and methodology used by TPWD and fielded several questions from the ETRWPG.
- VI. Information dissemination by TWDB Staff: J.D. Beffort discussed the contingency fund currently held by the TWDB and suggested the ETRWPG authorize Schaumburg and Polk to look at drafting an application for some of the funds if needed. Mr. Beffort stated Mr. Ron Kaiser was scheduled to make next months program presentation.
- VII. Report by DETCOG Staff: Van Bush announced that DETCOG would be requesting the 2nd funding advance from TWDB. He explained that the payments

and requests for payments for Schaumburg and Polk had exhausted the initial advance.

- VIII. Report by Schaumburg and Polk Staff: Gary Graham of SPI and Bob Bowman of Bob Bowman & Associates reported to the ETRWPG. Mr. Graham reported the focus group meetings had been disappointing. Mr. Bowman previewed a slide show presentation for use of the Group's members at civic groups, etc. The Group made several suggestions and Mr. Bowman said he would try to make all the changes suggested.
- IX. Reports by Adjoining Regions Liaisons:
- A. Region C: Mr. Shank stated he had not been able to attend the Region C meeting and deferred to Mr. Burch who gave a report of Region C's activities.
 - B. Region H: Ms. Slocomb discussed the handouts from the Region H meeting and noted they would be meeting on the following day.
 - C. Region D: Ms. Kindle reported that Region D did not meet last month.
 - D. Texas Water Foundation: Ms. Kindle reported that she had not been in contact with the TWF.
- X. Report from Standing Committees:
- A. Executive Committee: Mr. Campbell reported that he and Mr. Carter participated in a teleconference with all the regions Chairs. He reported that Region I was granted an extension until August 15, 1999 for reporting population and water use projections.
 - B. Finance Committee:
 - 1. Collection of Administrative Funds: Mr. Carter reported on the current status of collections for administrative costs. He stated it was going about as expected. The group discussed follow-up with those counties who had not paid their share.
 - 2. Financial Review of DETCOG: Ms. Larsen reported she had met with DETCOG staff in June to review the financial records related to the contract between DETCOG and Schaumburg and Polk, Inc. She stated she would be doing a quarterly review at the DETCOG office. Mr. Carter asked that DETCOG provide a report on the local share administrative costs. Van Bush said he would provide a report at the next meeting.
 - C. Bylaws Committee: Judge von Doenhoff stated the Bylaws Committee had not met.
 - D. Technical Committee: Dr. Young reported the Technical Committee had worked with Gary Graham to develop a recommendation of Major Water Providers.

- XI. Discuss and take action, if necessary, on designating major water providers: *Dr. Young made a motion, based on the million gallon limit recommended by the Technical Committee, that the following entities be named the Regions Major Water Providers:*

1. *Lower Neches Valley Authority*
2. *Sabine River Authority*
3. *Angelina-Neches River Authority*
4. *Texaco Chemical Company*
5. *City of Port Arthur*
6. *City of Tyler*
7. *Upper Neches River MWA*
8. *Star Enterprise*
9. *City of Beaumont*
10. *City of Lufkin*
11. *Houston County WCID 1*
12. *City of Nacogdoches*
13. *Panola County FWSD*
14. *City of Jacksonville*
15. *City of Center*
16. *Sabine River Authority (Toledo Bend Reservoir)*
17. *City of Carthage*

That motion was seconded by Mr. Mallory, and was approved by unanimous vote.

- XII. Discuss and take action, if necessary, on approving population and water use projections: Gary Graham stated he would send periodic updates to the members, so the Group could be prepared to act at the next meeting.

- XIII. Discuss and take action, if necessary, on accepting resignation of Joe Love:

Mr. Mallory made a motion to accept Mr. Love's resignation, that motion was seconded by Judge von Doenhoff, and it was approved unanimously.

- XIV. Discuss and take action, if necessary, on electing a voting member representing River Authorities:

Mr. Hebert made a motion to elect Mr. Jerry Clark of the Sabine River Authority, Judge von Doenhoff seconded that motion, and it was approved unanimously.

- XV. Discuss and take action, if necessary, granting or confirming non-voting membership:

Mr. Alders made a motion to accept Mr. Cliff Todd as the statutory non-voting member from the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, George Campbell seconded that motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Ms. Slocomb made the motion to grant non-voting membership to the Louisiana Governor's Office of Coastal Activities and of Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Authority and to accept their nominee, Mr. Cullen Curole, Bob Gregg seconded that motion, and it was approved unanimously.

- XVI. **New Business:** *Ms. Slocomb made a motion to authorize Schaumburg & Polk, Inc. to explore applying for a portion of the TWDB Contingency Fund for work not anticipated in the Scope of Work, Mr. Swoboda seconded that motion, and it was approved unanimously.*
- XVII. **Public Comments:** There were no comments from the general public.
- XVIII. **Open Discussion:** Mr. Campbell asked about the counties who had been offered non-voting status. Mr. Carter reported the invitation had been extended and remains open if one of the counties elects to appoint someone.
- XIX. **Adjournment:** *Mr. Gregg made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Mr. Nugent, and it was approved unanimously. Mr. Carter adjourned the meeting.*