

Texas Pecan Board

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Texas Pecan Board (TPB) Meeting Minutes

Sunday, July 10, 2022 • Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center, San Marcos, TX

TPB Members Present: Larry Don Womack, Mike Adams, Rodney Myers, Tami Sorrells, Troy Swift, Dennis Hardman, and Joe Massey.

TPB Members Absent: Jennifer Ivey and Kortney Chase

Guests: Lalo Medina, Keith Berdoll, James Livergood, Blair Krebs, Patrick Dudley, and Casey Corely

President Larry Don Womack called the meeting to order at 11:58am. He called the board roll call and introduced guests.

President Womack then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2021 board meeting in San Marcos, Texas. Joe Massey made the motion to approve, Tami Sorrells seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and motion passed.

Moving on, the financials, including the assessment collections, and budget were presented by Texas Pecan Board contracted administrator, Blair Krebs. After reviewing the financials, there was much discussion about the board operations, the amount of assessments being collected, and the future of the organization. President Womack appointed a committee whose tasks included how the TPB assessments should be handled and the direction the organization should go in the future. Troy Swift was named chair with the following names were submitted as committee members: Lalo Medina, Jennifer Ivey, Larry Ceballos, Larry Don Womack, and Dennis Hardman. Patrick Dudley, as a representative of TDA asked to be kept in the loop on any tele-conferences.

The discussion then came back around and a motion to approve the financials was made by Tami Sorrells. Mike Adams seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion was approved. Tami Sorrells also made the motion to approve the presented budget, Dennis Hardman seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion passed. During the financial report the board also directed the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) to audit the major handlers buying Texas Pecans, to see if they are in compliance. The motion was made by Dennis Hardman and seconded by Mike Adams.

There was then a report and discussion on Texas Pecan Board activities, with both Patrick Dudley and Blair Krebs giving updates from their perspective work areas. There will be a TPB presentation with updates during the TPGA Conference.

There was then a presentation and action on the Texas Pecan Growers Association (TPGA) staff continuing to handle Texas Pecan Board administrative management. Joe Massey made the motion to continue to have TPGA handle administrative tasks at the same contracted rate. Rodney Myers seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Then there was discussion on the Texas Pecan Board elections. The deadlines would need to be determined and the process would need to be completed by the end of the year. Patrick Dudley noted he will work with the TPGA staff contractors to get the information completed, so the nominations and ballots can be sent out.

With no further business, President Womack adjourned the meeting at 1:45pm.

Submitted by Blair Krebs 8/30/2022.