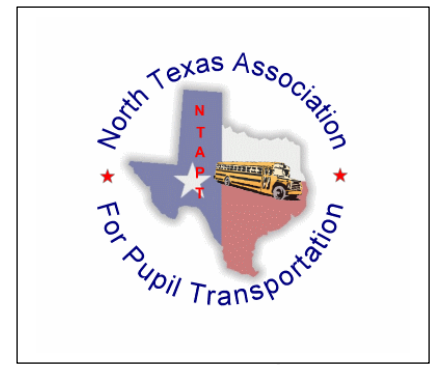


## March Minutes of the NTAPT Meeting

Thursday, March 19, 2015

Garland ISD  
824 W Mason St  
Mabank, Texas 75147



Meeting was called to order by NTAPT President-Elect Felicia Harris; NTAPT President Tammy Loveless was present, however, due to laryngitis she was unable to conduct the meeting.

Felicia introduced our Host, Garland ISD Transportation Director Brian Abbett. Brian welcomed everyone to Garland ISD and thanked us for coming to today's meeting.

Next Felicia recognized first time attendees and guests, Patricia Robertson from Crandall ISD introduced herself.

NTAPT President-Elect Felicia Harris shared that March is Vendor appreciation month and recognized and thanked our Vendors.

Next Ashley Poor shared the procedure and directions for voting on the Poster Contest. The trophies for the Poster Contest were provided by Southwest International-Tim Dreiling. The Poster Contest voting was held before and during lunch.

Felicia reminded everyone that the minutes from the previous meeting are available on the website.

Laura Carter was unable to attend the meeting today due to Greenville ISD business; the Treasurer report will be given at April NTAPT meeting.

NTAPT President-Elect Felicia Harris called for Announcements; Pat Garcia gave the update regarding the Speech Contest. Region X: eleven registered and there are three winners, Region XI has three entries. The state contest will be April 20, 2015 and the state winner will present at the State Conference Honoree Breakfast.

Felicia stated that the Road-eo updates will be shared at the next meeting; due to Laura Carter being absent, Barbara Russell shared that there is a Road-eo meeting scheduled for April 1, 2015 in Garland.

Next Felicia asked Susie Waugh to give scholarship update; Susie shared that there are seven student scholarship participants and no adult scholarship participants this year.

Felicia asked Bobby Williams to give the TASBT update: Bobby share that there are still opening for the Technician classes being offered in Tyler. The Texas Best Competition will be on March 28, 2015 and there are presently 24 contestants.

Next Felicia asked Ernest Del Bosque to share the Nominees running for office on the NTAPT Executive Committee for 2015-2016. Ernest shared the slate of candidates:

President-Elect:

Ernest Del Bosque – Garland ISD

Beverly Shannon – Plano ISD

Secretary:

Ashley Poor – Royse City ISD

Treasurer:

George Eldridge – Plano ISD

Susie Waugh – Dallas County Schools

Historian:

Raymond Foreburg – Dallas County Schools

Kim Smith – Frisco ISD

Ernest asked if there were any nominations from the floor, and Kim Wilder – Frisco ISD was nominated to run for the office of Secretary.

Next Felicia asked Mike Williams to come up to give the TAPT update: Mike shared that the State Conference will start June 25, 2015 in Dallas at the Anatole Hotel. The TAPT Executive Committee members will meet in April to finalize the Conference. TAPT voting is available on-line. Mike shared the slate of TAPT Candidates

President:

Mike Williams – Dallas County Schools

President-Elect:

Jim Abney – Alvin ISD

Ron Mack – Northside ISD

Secretary:

Debbie Jones – Columbia-Brazoria ISD

Ernest Del Bosque – Garland ISD

Shanna Speller – North East ISD

Historian:

Gerardo "Jerry" Marquez, Jr. – Coldspring-Oakhurst CISD

Michael Self – Belton ISD

Angel Kersten – Clear Creek ISD

Kayne M. Smith – Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

Parliamentarian:

Aric Taylor – Conroe ISD

Randy Gover – Abilene ISD

Area 2 Director:

Georgina "Susie" Waugh – Dallas County Schools

Angela Lamb-Waddell – Chapel Hill ISD

Douglas Becker – Frisco ISD

Area 4 Director:

Earl Stewart – North East ISD

Michael R. Milnes – Groesbeck ISD

Area 5 Director:

Steve Batchelor – Skidmore-Tynan ISD

Mike also share that there are five Propositions on the ballot:

- 1.) Requires two candidates for each office and only one candidate from each area.
- 2.) Requires posting of all election results on the website.
- 3.) Allows for the removal of an Executive member for just cause if a need arose.
- 4.) Allowing for the President-Elect to become President at the end of the current Presidents Term.
- 5.) Allow the appointment of an Executive Committee member in good standing to fill a position when no member is willing to serve during the election process.

Regarding Legislature, there are six bills we should be interested in:

House Bill 204 – Starting school no earlier than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in August.

House Bill 243 – All PM school bus stops on the right side.

House Bill 343 – Using vans to transport students.

House Bill 576 – Rehire retired bus drivers and do away with restrictions on rehiring bus drivers.

House Bill 676 – School Bus Safety Training will be done the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in October during School Bus Safety Week.

There are two Senate Bills:

Senate Bill 241 – Change the TEA reimbursement for Transportation.

Senate Bill 486 – prohibits the use of RFID to track students.

Conferences/Workshops coming up:

NAPT Conference registration is on-line; it will be in Richmond VA at the Richmond Marriot, November 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

South East States Conference is going to be in Arlington this year at the Sheridan Arlington. (Rebecca Rocha is President this year).

TASBO is going to have classes in Kerrville.

2016 TAPT Conference will be in Beaumont next year June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Felicia Harris asked for closing remarks and comments. Pat Garcia shared that the Area 2 Regional Technicians group meeting will be April 21, 2015 at the Golden Coral on 635 & Centerville in Garland. Pat also mentioned that Region 11 will be sponsoring a Drug Awareness workshop for Transportation Supervisors on Thursday, April 23, 2015 in Denton. And he reminded everyone about the Illegal passing survey coming up April 29, 2015 and encouraged everyone to participate.

Felicia encouraged everyone to vote on the posters.

Next Felicia asked Doug Becker with Frisco ISD to bless the food, the Meeting was adjourned.

Drawings were held during lunch.