



## September Minutes of the NTAPT Meeting

Meeting Date: September 13, 2018  
Host District: Plano ISD Sockwell Center  
Location: 6301 Chapel Hill Blvd Plano, TX. 75093

Terry Penn called the meeting to order at 10:35 am. Had everyone stand and do the Pledge of Allegiance to USA Flag, then the Texas Flag. Mr. Penn welcomed everyone to the 1<sup>st</sup> NTAPT 2018-2019 meeting and hope to have a great season this year. Mr. Penn recognized our new visitors, both vendors and ISD employees and welcomed to see all at future meetings. Introduce this year's Officers, Beverly Shannon, Ex-Officio; Laura Carter, Historian; Dawn Loftin, Secretary; Raymond Forsberg, President Elect; Anna Hambrick, Treasurer. Look forward to working with this group. We are on a membership drive this season, and it would be a lot more fun if every seat was filled. Hopefully we will accomplish this soon and that will help us meet some of our goals and objectives. Mr. Penn mentioned we have a lot of things in store for the coming year and we will be mixing things up a bit. Andrew is unable to be with us this afternoon, so Beverly Shannon gave the welcome for Plano ISD.

Terry Penn introduced Sponsoring Vendors, Tim Dreilling with SW International; Gina (not here) with Aerowave Technologies. We will get you to say a few words towards then end of the meeting and thank you both for sponsoring today's meeting and lunch. To all vendors this is an important opportunity to network, share ideas, concepts, problems, successes and we can't do it alone. Terry Penn recognized all the vendors and express our sincere appreciation for your help and support for this organization.

Dawn Loftin to read minutes, none available at this time for May 2018 minutes.

Anna Hambrick treasurer's report, none available at this time, Prosper ISD has been sending all mail back.

Terry Penn turned meeting over to Raymond Forsberg, President Elect for new information. Raymond stated he had no new information and asked if Randy Gover was in attendance, he was not. Asked Doug if he had any news on TAPT, he did not. Raymond discussed RoadEO moving to Grapevine Colleyville and thank you to Manny for Grapevine Colleyville for accepting,

and they have much more space. Raymond Forsberg will be sending out memo for RoadEO meetings next month sometime.

Terry Penn went over conference TAPT affiliate chapter meeting and expectations of affiliate chapters. NTAPT may need to make changes to our by-laws, because ours is not sufficient enough to take care of some business and operate in the fashion TAPT expects of us. TAPT has suggested not to re-write, but to adopt their constitution and make changes or insert our own changes that we have specified that may be a bit different. In that regard Terry Penn has painstakingly gone over our by-laws and has a red letter version so that you could see what needed to be changed or added. There are copies on the table for both current and red letter suggested changes. This will update our by-laws closer to TAPT by-laws. There is also a copy of the by-laws, if approved, what will be the final product. TAPT also suggested that in the process of making the changes to be consistent with their recommendation of changing to their by-laws, it was noted that you do not have to throw away everything in your by-laws. The Executive Committee went through the red line version and reviewed what the changes meant and elected to either say yes, that's what our by-laws implied or no, we really want to keep it our way. More detail, NTAPT by-laws talk to the fact in holding officers' elections in April or May of each year, TAPT by-laws are July or Aug each year. We didn't want to change up what we are accustomed to doing. Another talked about membership requirements and what this membership wanted to do.

Mr. Penn is introducing today the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of new By-Laws. Raymond Forsberg made a motion to accept this document as our 1<sup>st</sup> reading and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura Carter. Previous this past year, NTAPT by-laws was not clear as to how to handle a situation, but TAPT by-Laws did address this same situation. Membership and what region service center your ISD resided in and being a member in which roadeo your ISD participated in. A region 11 ISD, wanted to participate in region 10 ROADEO. These new changes will address these concerns in the future as well as fraudulent activity that our By-Laws did not speak to. One other very significant difference, TAPT is listed as a not-for profit 501C3. NTAPT is not a 501C3 and not a not for profit organization. We could not receive monies and sponsorship from a vendor because they do not sponsor any group that is not a 501C3. Through TAPT, if we can correct our By-Laws and make changes, we can fall under their umbrella of 501C3 authority. This way we would be a 501C3 in the future. Once we have the 501C3, we will be required to file a 990T, a not for profit tax return, no taxable revenue over \$25,000.00 per year. Other benefits, to apply for a grant and other perks. We are currently not a tax exempt entity, but after 501C3, can get a tax exempt entity. Please look over changes on the by-Laws and let us know if anything needs to be changed.

Next thing to visit about, membership drive. Dawn Loftin called point of order to finish the vote on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mr. Penn asked for any discussion. All in favor to accept document as 1<sup>st</sup> reading, ayes, nays - none, motion unanimously carried.

Membership drive: 2 years ago we had 140 members and we lost most of DCS last year when they disbanded. NTAPT is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest affiliate chapter and we would like to get those #'s back up. Dallas, Richardson, Carrollton Farmers Branch, Lancaster have brought transportation in house and we need to invite these new departments into NTAPT. If you know anyone that has taken over please encourage these districts to attend our meetings. We can be helpful to each other.

Raymond Forsberg introduced speaker, Paul Leighton with LifeSaver, who gave a riveting program about railroad and bus safety.

Raymond introduced Committee Chairs: Raymond Forsberg, RoadEO; need Sped co chair; Tammy Loveless, scholarship and membership; need Poster chair; Pat Garcia, Speech

Pat Garcia 10/22-26/18 Bus safety week, information should be out this week for the Speech contests.

Pat Garcia also spoke about certification and re certification classes and where to find those class dates online.

Patrick and Leigh Ann, with Areowave discussed their companies newest updates and innovations. Jim Dreilling with Southwest International, looking forward to working with all this year.

Doug Becker gave the blessing of the meal. Terry Penn no other business, entertains a motion to adjourn. George Eldridge made motion to adjourn, Laura Carter 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor, unanimous to adjourn. Terry Penn adjourned the meeting at 11:53 am.