



**Texas State Athletic Trainers' Association
Regional Director's Conference Call Minutes
November 2, 2010**

Welcome and Call to Order, Cathy Supak, Chair

- Meeting is called to order by Cathy Supak at 9:02 AM
- Attending: Nancy Vanley, Region 1; William Schneider, Region 2; Mark Chisum, Region 3; Scott Galloway, Region 4; Darrell Ganus, Region 5; Cathy Supak, Region 6; Josh Woodall, Region 7; Brian Farr, Region 8; Lee Knox, Region 9; Spanky Stephens, Executive Director; Stephanie Keiningham, Parliamentarian.

Announcements:

- iLead and Texas Leadership Experience materials have been sent out, the applications will be reviewed by Josh, GA Chair Dawn Allen and CU Chair Mike Terrill; they will narrow it down and send finalist to Cathy who will conduct phone interviews
- Cathy has begun work on the reception with SWATA in Houston

Legal help with Sports Medicine contract:

- Cathy calls for a motion in regards to legal help with writing the Sports Medicine contract
 - Scott Galloway makes a motion to accept Spanky's recommendation as written: "To approve Diana Borden from Groves, Daugherty, Hearon, and Moody to write the final contract between TSATA and Dennis Hart and his team at the cost of \$1,000 dollars."
 - Mark Chisum seconds the motion
 - Cathy asks if this \$1,000 is for the writing of this contract and nothing else
 - Josh asks if Spanky looked into the use of the individuals in Houston that Cathy was given the name of to compare the cost and benefit of using them.
 - Brian asks if the \$1,000 is for the entire process of writing this contract and negotiating it or if it is strictly for the duties performed already with an additional cost for writing the contract
 - Spanky states that the \$1,000 is all inclusive. He states that he called both people in Houston, one's fee was larger and the other did not call back.
 - Cathy asks if Diana will serve as help for Spanky when he negotiates with Dennis or if she will just write the document

- Spanky states that she will not be part of the negotiating, she will write the contract based on the information given to her by Spanky and Dennis.
- Motion passes with all in favor

Renegotiation with Dennis Hart:

- Cathy asks for a motion begin negotiations with Dennis Hart
 - Darrell Ganus makes a motion to begin negotiations between TSATA and Dennis Hart
 - William Schneider seconds the motion
 - Nancy asks who Spanky is requesting approval
 - William asks if the BOD will see the contract before it is finalized
 - Cathy asks if the contract is with just Dennis or with Dennis and the team. Will the contract encompass any re-writes in the future and will it be retroactive, will we pay them for any work done in the past.
 - Brian asks if Dennis has the authority to negotiate for everyone else on the team. Brian would also like for the contract to be brought to the board before it is approved.
 - Lee would like to know what we are negotiating for
 - Spanky states that he asked for approval because of the questions raised in previous calls and emails with the BOD. Spanky states that Dennis does have the approval of the rest of the team to negotiate; Dennis owns the literary rights to this material. We are negotiating so that in the future we will not have to discuss this, it will be outlined in a legal document. Spanky will inform the board of exactly what Dennis and he come to an agreement on.
 - Cathy asks if Spanky anticipates any retroactive payments or are we moving forward from here on cost for instructors to re-write the class
 - Spanky states that if the instructors re-write a class in the state of Texas we will discuss payment but he has a feeling they will decline it.
 - Motion passes with all in favor

Future use of attorney for TSATA business

- Cathy asks for a motion to discuss agenda item number 7 regarding the future use of Diana Borden or an other attorney.
 - William Schneider makes a motion to discuss agenda item number 7
 - Mark Chisum seconds the motion
 - William asks if we should take Diana Borden out of this language and just state we use an attorney...
 - Scott asks if this motion is necessary because in Spanky's job description it states that he oversees the day to day operation with out board approval. He does not want to set a president that we micromanage his ability to do business
 - Darrell questions the need for us to have this in place because items would have to come to the board before getting to this point in the beginning.

- Cathy states that she has a concern that Spanky does have a right to negotiate on our behalf but the board needs to be informed when legal council is used.
- Josh believes that it may not be necessary to vote to discuss the use of an attorney later.
- Spanky states that it is nice to have a source to go to in the future that has worked with us before and has experience with our past, this is why he put Diana Borden in the wording. Spanky has concerns about his freedom and micro-managing; he hopes that his work in the past has been seen as in the best interest of the TSATA. This was put in as a request because if something like this comes up in the future he would like to use someone that has a history with the TSATA rather than going out and finding someone else and re-negotiating.
- Cathy asks if we would not have the ability to contact the board later and just asked for approval to contact Diana later if needed without having this motion passed.
- Josh states that he feels it is well within Spanky's job description for him to go to Diana later if he felt it necessary to get a price and then come to the board with that price and ask to use her on a case by case basis without needing a motion passed now
- William still feels that Diana's name needs to come out of the language, Spanky can go to her first but we should not lock in a specific attorney.
- William Schneider makes a motion that we amend item number 7 the sentence that starts with "Diana" thru "other" and insert the phrase "an attorney"
 - Lee Knox seconds the motion
 - Josh still feels that we do not need to approve this motion because Spanky can go to attorney and get prices as needed and bring that to the board on a case by case basis.
 - Motion passes with 6 votes in favor and regions 4,5 and 7 against.
 - William Schneider asks if we need to vote on the original motion since there was an amendment
 - Stephanie states this is not necessary because the vote was for the amended motion.

Mid-Winter:

- Cathy states that Mid-Winter meeting will be on January 30, 2010. Scott requested we bring in previous board members on the evening of the 29th for an informal discussion in Spanky's suite at the hotel, please plan to be there. College students will be at the hotel for the board meeting and round tables on Sunday also. Celebration for the Advisory Board 40th anniversary will be on Sunday evening as well. Hit the Hill will be on Monday the 31st, Cathy encourages everyone that can to stay for Hit the Hill because we have pending legislation.

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 9:51 AM