



MINUTES – BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MARCH 16, 2018 9:53 A.M.
250 Club Road/ Adobe Rm. Ft. Bliss, Texas 79906

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Judge Jeannette Duer, Jeff Davis County, RGCOG Board President	Mr. Art Fierro, Chair, EPCC Board of Trustees
Commissioner Andrew Haggerty, County of El Paso, RGCOG Board 1 ST Vice President	Judge Mike Doyal, Hudspeth County
Judge Eleazar Cano, Brewster County, RGCOG Board 2 ND Vice President	Alderman Walter Miller, Town of Horizon City
Commissioner Carlos Leon, County of El Paso, RGCOG Immediate Past President	Judge Carlos Urias, Culberson County
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez, Doña Ana County	Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County
Ms. Bonnie Moorhouse, Director, Horizon Regional MUD	Governor Carlos Hisa, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Judge Cinderela Guevara, Presidio County	Ms. Diane Dye, EPISD Board of Trustees
Representative Henry Rivera, City of El Paso	Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City of Las Cruces
Mayor Ann Marie Nafziger, City of Marfa	Mayor Dee Margo, City of El Paso
Representative Aleksandra Anello, City of El Paso	Mr. Paul Guerra, SISD Board of Trustees
COL Steve O. Murphy, Ft. Bliss Garrison Commander	Texas State Senator Jose Rodriguez, District 29
	Texas Representative César Blanco, District 76
Alternates Present:	Guests:
Representative Peter Svarzbein- for Mayor Dee Margo	Daniel Hernandez – Senator Jose Rodriguez
Commissioner Jim Ed Miller- for Judge Mike Doyal	Carlos Martinez – Representative César Blanco
Mayor Manuel Leos- for Alderman Walter Miller	LTC, LG Warren Pittman– Ft. Bliss Garrison Comm.
	Tim Juarez – TXDOT-TPP El Paso District
RGCOG Staff Present:	Hugo Hernandez – TXDOT-TPP El Paso District
Annette Gutierrez, Executive Director	Mayela Mejia – Commissioner Carlos Leon
Stella Rodriguez, Executive Administrative Assistant	Josie Castro – Commissioner Carlos Leon
Yvette Lugo, Area Agency on Aging Director	Mike Peck – Commissioner Andrew Haggerty
Marisa Quintanilla, Regional Services Director	

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ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – February 16, 2018

Commissioner Andrew Haggerty motioned for approval and Judge Eleazar Cano seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved.

ADMINISTRATION

1. *Texas Department of Transportation, Border Freight Study, by Annette Gutierrez*

Ms. Annette Gutierrez introduced Mr. Tim Juarez, International Trade & Border Coordinator. He provided the Board with a presentation on the freight study that will be conducted along the border.

2. *Support letter for HR 4985, by Annette Gutierrez*

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to allow the RGCOG Board President to sign a letter of support for HR 4985 to U.S. Representative Will Hurd, U.S. District 23.

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval with the changes discussed and Commissioner Andrew Haggerty seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

FINANCE

3. *Fixed and/or Expendable Assets Transfer or Disposal, by Annette Gutierrez*

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to transfer and/or dispose of fixed and/or expendable assets.

Commissioner Andrew Haggerty motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. FY 2018 Proposed Budget Amendment #1 (October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018), by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval on FY 2018 Proposed Budget Amendment #1 (FY 18 BA#1) (October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018).

Commissioner Andrew Haggerty motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

REGIONAL SERVICES

5. HUD: Fair Housing Month, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board approval to adopt a resolution recognizing April 2018 as “Fair Housing Month”

Representative Henry Rivera motioned for approval and Representative Peter Svarzbein seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously

6. Mental Health First Aid USA, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla presented the Board with an overview of Mental Health First Aid as a public education program that introduces participants to risk factors and warning signs of mental illness.

7. 2017 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), State Preparedness Report (SPR), and the 2018 Homeland Security Strategic Plan-Implementation Plan (HSSIP-IP), by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla gave the Board an update regarding the outcome of the 2017 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), State Preparedness Report (SPR), and the 2018 Homeland Security Strategic Plan-Implementation Plan (HSSIP-IP).

8. Texas Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board of approval on the submittal of the DR-4332 Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant Notice of Intent (NOI) form authorizing the Executive Director to serve as the grantee's authorized official.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judge Duer informed the Board that " Texas Day of Civility In the Law " in Ft. Davis, TX was on April 20, 2018 at noon.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jim Ed Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Carlos Leon seconded the motion. Judge Jeannette Duer called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously. Judge Duer adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.