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## MINUTES/TSHL FOUNDATION/1-5-94/AUSTIN

President Aliceanne Wallace called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. The roll was called.

Present: Black, Goodall, Huff, Johnson, LeLaurin, Murdock, Stuart and Wallace.

Absent: Gaffert (excused), Norton (excused)  
Not excused, Southard.

Treasurer's report was presented and a statement made on the deposit of \$31,500.00 transferred from Fred LeLaurin ~~from the~~ sale of Director's TSHL funds.

Frank Netherton, Vice-President of Investments with A.G. Edwards gave a report on the Foundation's invested monies.

A discussion was had on the amount of money required and available for the Silver Haired Legislature training in the summer of 1994, and it was determined the necessary money will be available.

Frank Netherton also gave a report on long term investments.

Also a discussion followed on the need for an attorney for the Foundation's legal matters and was decided to consider when a new opening becomes available on the Board.

The Treasurer's report was <sup>filed</sup> ~~accepted~~.

A discussion followed on the need for corporate contributions. Board members were asked to contact any company that might make a contribution.

Paula Johnson gave a report on the status of the contract with The University of Texas for Jester Hall in Austin to be used for the Silver Haired Legislature training and stated the costs would be higher than last year. Paula was given authority to sign the contract, and to check on any additional items required for the training session, i.e., sound equipment, microphones, etc. and made a part of the contract.

There followed a discussion of the budget to be presented to the Texas Legislature at the next session in January of 1995. Paula Johnson and her staff will prepare and submit to the Board. A discussion followed on "in-kind" contributions which would assist in the place of dollar contributions.

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A report was given on the results of a discussion with Rep. Layton Black's office regarding office space in the completed renovation of the State Capitol for the Silver Haired Legislature members and other senior groups. The House Speaker and the Lt. Governor acknowledged a need for such an office. A follow-up discussion for volunteers, furniture, in-kind equipment will be discussed by the Board at its next meeting.

It was stated that the removal of the homestead exemption may again come before the Legislature and senior groups should be made aware of this possible action.

Fred LeLaurin, Chair of the Nominating Committee appointed by the Chair, presented a slate to fill the expired terms on the Board. New members of the TSHL<sup>Pres.</sup>/Board are: Dr. Joe Weldon Bailey; Mr. Jesse Coffey; and Paula Johnson, who will be serving a second term.

A motion was made and seconded and passed electing Audrey Geffert as TSHL Foundation Secretary.

The <sup>Pres.</sup>Chair announced the next meeting will be held in Austin on May 18, 1994, at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

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Audry Geffert, Secretary

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Approved

## MINUTES/TBHL FOUNDATION/5-18-94/AUSTIN

President Aliceanne Wallace called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Secretary Audrey Geffert called the roll.

Present: Bailey, Black, Coffey, Geffert, Huff, Johnson, LeLaurin, Norton, Southard, Stuart, Wallace.

Absent: Goodall.

Visitors: Homer Lear, Silver Haired Legislature  
Frank Netherton, A. G. Edwards.

The Minutes were read and approved as corrected (officer title change).

The Treasurer's report was presented and after a lengthy discussion of funds on hand, funds deposited with A. G. Edwards for investments and funds necessary for the Silver Haired Legislature training in August, 1994, the report was adopted. The Treasurer stated an audit is being prepared. The Treasurer was instructed to advise the Auditor in writing to include all in-kind contributions, with a copy sent to the Secretary.

Frank Netherton reported on the long term investments with A. G. Edwards. Naomi Norton made a motion the Board continue with agreement with A. G. Edwards. Motion carried. Bruce Stuart resigned as Financial Advisor to the Board as the position deemed unnecessary at this time. Ken Huff made the motion, seconded by Fred LeLaurin, that the Board accept the resignation of Bruce Stuart as Financial Advisor. Motion carried.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The President reported on the current status of solicitation funds, and requested the members of the Board to continue efforts to solicit funds.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Homer Lear gave a detailed report of necessary costs required for the Silver Haired Legislature training session in August, 1994, in Austin. Paula Johnson reported on training session plans, the program and speakers.

President Aliceanne Wallace suggested that the By-Laws be reviewed at a later date.

The President announced that a Nominating Committee for retiring members will be appointed at the next meeting.

TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE FOUNDATION

MINUTES

AUGUST 2, 1994 MEETING

President Aliceanne Wallace called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Secretary Audrey Geffert called the Roll:

Present: Bailey, Black, Coffey, Geffert, Huff, Johnson, Stuart, Wallace.

Absent: Goodall and Southard; Norton-excused.

Also present: Frank Netherton of A.G. Edwards  
Mrs. Joe Weldon Bailey

The Minutes were approved as read.

The Treasurer's report was accepted and filed. The Treasurer stated that the IRS form had been filed for 1993, and further stated that the accountant may require a fee in the future. Discussion followed on the need for a full audit. The Board consensus was that a full audit was not necessary at this time.

Frank Netherton reported on the status of the invested funds of the Foundation. There were no questions. The President thanked him for the report.

Paula Johnson gave the final wrap-up on costs of the TSHL training session stating that approximately \$3,000 was spent for supplies and material. Jesse Coffey suggested name tags be made for the Board members for future sessions.

The President stated that the deadline for ads in the TSHL Directories is 2/2/95. Members were encouraged to obtain ads.

The President encouraged members to continue their efforts in soliciting funds. Coffey stated he would contact some business people in Denton County and the surrounding area regarding donations. Stuart offered to assist with this project.

Johnson stated Board records should be kept together in one place, citing the need of a filing cabinet. Coffey moved that a suitable filing cabinet be purchased at a cost not to exceed \$500; seconded. Motion carried. Geffert was asked to assist Paula in securing a cabinet.

After a brief discussion regarding standing rules, Stuart was asked to look into the matter at a future time.

Vacancies on the Board were next discussed, one because of the death of Fred LeLaurin, Vice President. Coffey moved that the following serve on the Nominating Committee: Huff (Chair), Johnson and Stuart; seconded. Motion carried. Black moved that the terms of any newly elected members replacing members whose terms expire December 31, 1994, begin in January of 1995; seconded. Motion carried. Stuart moved that the President send a letter to Goodall and Southard informing them of their removal from the Board following three unexcused absences, in accordance with the By-Laws; seconded. Motion carried.

The date of the next meeting was set for 11/9/94 at 10 a.m. in Austin at TDoA.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

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Audrey Geffert, Secretary

APPROVED: 11/9/94

TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE FOUNDATION

MINUTES

November 9, 1994, Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10 a.m.  
The Roll was called:

Present: Black, Coffey, Geffert, Johnson, Stuart,  
Wallace.

Absent: Bailey, Huff, Norton. Excused. Goodall and  
Southard, unexcused.

Also present: Frank Netherton, A. G. Edwards  
Homer Lear, TSHL Speaker  
Bill McCaffrey, TSHL Deputy Speaker  
L.Z. Edwards, TSHL Comptroller,  
TSHL Liason to TSHLF  
Howard Dunaway, TSHL Finance Chair  
Allen Grobe, TSHL Speaker Emeritus

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurer's report was presented; no questions were asked.

The report was filed.

Frank Netherton gave a report on the status of the Foundation's investments. There were no questions. He was thanked for his report.

Discussion was had on the expense of liability insurance. It was the consensus of the Board that the cost did not warrant carrying it and would not pursue it. Netherton was thanked for providing the information.

Board vacancies was the next item of business. The President read the letters sent to Goodall and Southard as requested by the Board, noting that no responses were received from them. (Copies of letters attached.) It was the consensus of the Board that two vacancies existed, whereupon Stuart moved that Allen Grobe be elected to fill the <sup>Southard</sup> vacancy; seconded. Motion carried. Coffey moved that Ruth West be elected to fill the vacancy left by the removal of Goodall; seconded. Motion carried. Stuart then moved that Judge Scott Bailey fill the vacancy left by the death of Fred LeLaurin; seconded. Motion carried. (Note: in accordance

with Black's motion passed at the August 2nd meeting, Judge Bailey's term will begin January 1, 1995, and end December 31, 1998.)

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Stuart and is as follows: J. Bruce Stuart, Vice President

Audrey Geffert, Secretary

Virginia Black, Treasurer

Black moved acceptance of the Committee's recommendations; motion carried. (A Committee motion does not require a second.) Stuart stated in the Committee's recommendation that the terms expire December 31, 1995.

TSHL Speaker Homer Lear addressed the Board raising several questions.

More discussion followed regarding terms of members expiring next month whereupon Stuart moved that Black serve another term beginning January 1, 1995, and ending December 31, 1998; seconded. Motion carried. Black moved ~~Stuart~~ that Stuart be elected to serve another term beginning January 1, 1995 and ending December 31, 1998; seconded. Motion carried. As for the newly elected members, Grobe and West, Stuart moved that Grobe serve a full term upon completion of the one year remaining of the term in the position he was elected, to begin January 1, 1996, ending December 31, 1999; seconded. Motion carried. Stuart then moved that Ruth West serve out the unexpired term which ends December 31, 1996; seconded. Motion carried.

Johnson gave information on filing cabinets. The Board instructed her to purchase a four-drawer, locking cabinet.

She also informed the Board that the cost of the TSHL training session at U. T. Jester Hall amounted to \$16,385.07, \$5,000 under budget. She stated that there are a few outstanding bills but they would not exceed the \$5,000. Another expense of the Board is the printing of the 5th TSHL's Resolutions, which are provided to them as well as the Texas Legislature and the Governor. The cost for 360 copies of the last set of resolutions amounted to \$696.50. The Board agreed to assume this expense.

Following a lengthy discussion concerning the Memorandum of Understanding between TSHL and TSHLF, the President



appointed an ad hoc committee composed of TSHL Finance Chair Dunaway and TSHLF member Coffey to review the documents involved, obtain legal advice if needed, and report back to the Board at the January meeting.

It was the consensus of the Board that a Board member would serve out their term on the Board even though he/she may no longer/<sup>be</sup>a member of the category for which they were elected to the Board.

Grobe gave a brief history of TSHL efforts to secure funds for their proposed budget. He suggested funds may be available from county commissioners' courts. Coffey informed the Board of a list of large contributors in the Dallas area. He and Stuart agreed to send letters requesting donations.

The date of January 25, 1995, was set for the next meeting at 10 a.m. in Austin at TDoA.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned.

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Audrey Geffert, Secretary

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_