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Texas Silver Haired Legislative Foundation Board
Minutes of January 28, 1999, Meeting
Telephone Conference Call

The TSHLF Board met via telephone conference call on January 28, 1999, at 1:00 p.m.
President Allen Grobe presiding.

Board members present: Claude Andrews, Veronica Ault, John Clemmons, James Davis, Oris Greever, Allen Grobe, Naomi Norton, Dan Roberts, Aliceanne Wallace. Excused absence: Dr. Jack Burton, John Commander.

Guest present were: Frank Netherton-Financial Advisor, Paula Johnson-TDoA, The Hon. Charlotte Parks-TSHL Directory, The Hon. W.G. (Gaston) West-Speaker, The Hon. Oris Greever.

Ronnie Ault read the minutes of the December 1, 1998 board meeting.

Definition of Corpus was discussed. Aliceanne Wallace needed clarification so Dan Roberts will get with Aliceanne to clarify wording of the definition and bring to the next meeting.

Charlotte Parks - Directory Update: The cut-off date for collecting ads has been extended from January 15, 1999, to February 15, 1999. The distribution of the directories were discussed. Since there were only 5 board members at the last board meeting it was felt that there was not a fair percentage of the board to vote on the number of directories to be sold and at what price. Naomi Norton said she feels we should do what's more important which is to get the directories out. Aliceanne Wallace said that if she bought the directories and gave them away that should be ok also. Alan Grobe said he felt the cost of the directory was high. Charlotte has been doing a lot of the leg-work and saved the TSHL \$600.00. Aliceanne Wallace and Allen Grobe agreed to let Charlotte Parks distribute 50 directories to the TSH Legislature and Foundation members at a cost of \$50.00. Naomi Norton 2nd the motion. Jim Davis opposes.

Frank Netherton - Financial Report: \$25,000 into the market and has moved up 34% of funds invested. ½ Washington Mutual up 9% quarter (19.3% for year). ½ Income Fund of America 3.73% quarter (10% for year). Very conservative moving up slowly up to 45%. Plenty of cash. Allen Grobe asked if there are checks for the directory not deposited. The checks need to be deposited as soon as possible. Dan Roberts apologized; most of the checks came in over the holidays. He will get the checks to Frank.

Dan Roberts: add to financial - Still have \$12,575.00 in a B account our checking account created to pay misc. checks. Money Market \$2,575.00 - \$10,000.00 in a CD account. Main account - Training. SHL Slush Fund - Reimburse them.

Aliceanne Wallace, Allen Grobe and Dan Roberts say to keep it like it is.
CD due middle of March, pay budget if we need it, if not reinvest.

Aliceanne Wallace said the foundation received \$3,500.00 from Southwestern Bell. Thanks John Clemmons.

Paula Johnson asked if Dan Roberts had paid the florist bill as she had just received another bill. Dan said he thought he had paid it, but he would check and send payment if not paid yet.

Approval of New Members: Aliceanne Wallace has 2 signed applications. One from H. Richard McGhee and another from Arlene Allison. It was asked for any other nominations: Jim Davis suggested Hilda Ramsey. Aliceanne Wallace moved that the applications for H. Richard McGhee and Arlene Allison be accepted to fill the 2 vacancies for full term, 2nd made by Jim Davis. Motion carried.

It was brought to the board's attention that Dr. Jack Burton needed to be replaced on the board. It was suggested that maybe Hilda Ramsey could fill the remaining term. Jim Davis asked Aliceanne Wallace to send application to Hilda.

Dan Roberts advised that Judge Scott Bailey's term expired. He suggested that a plaque be made for Judge Bailey as he was one of the original team, Aliceanne Wallace 2nd motion. Motion carried. Paula Johnson to handle getting the plaque.

Naomi Norton moved payment to Aliceanne Wallace to pay for the Conference Call with a 2nd from Jim Davis. Motion Carried.

The board members were asked if they had access to a fax machine at home or work and if they had an e-mail address. This information will make notification of board meetings or changes of board meetings quicker. Original notices will also be mailed out as they have been in the past.

Announcements: Gaston West alerted the board of House Bill Memorial Resolution Walgamoose at federal level then state by state. Paula Johnson announced that the March 11th board meeting would be her last meeting. Memorial/Contribution cards for the TSHL Foundation Board was discussed. Allen Grobe suggested that we contact Tom Perkins as the SHL already has contribution cards. John Clemmons will follow-up on the GTE & Randalls item at March meeting. Allen said he wouldn't know about Coke Cola until next meeting. Gaston West gave dates for General Session at Camp Allen on September 14th through 17th, 1999. The foundation wants a spot on the agenda on Thursday, September 16th for workshop on fundraising.

Next meeting is still scheduled for March 11, 1999. John Clemmons said he has the conference room reserved at the Southwestern Bell Building from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Different times were discussed and 1:00 p.m. was finally decided as the time to meet. The recognition for the SHL will be 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The TSHL Foundation Board to meet at 1:00 p.m.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Ault
TSHL Secretary

Approved: _____

Texas Silver Haired Legislative Foundation Board
Minutes of March 11, 1999 Meeting
Southwestern Bell Telephone Building, Austin, Texas

The TSHLF Board met in Austin, Texas with President Allen Grobe presiding.

Board members present: John Clemmons, Allen Grobe, Arlene Allison and Aliceanne Wallace.

Absent board members were: Dan Roberts, H. Richard McGhee, John Commander, Naomi Norton, James H. Davis, Claude Andrews and Ronnie Ault.

There being no quorum, no business was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Ault
TSHL Secretary

Approved:_____

Texas Silver Haired Legislature Foundation Board
Minutes of January 13, 2000
Southwestern Bell Telephone Building - Austin

The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature Foundation Board met in Austin.

Board members present were: Jim Davis (Texas President), Paula Johnson, H. Richard McGhee, Hilda Ramssay, John Clemmons, Bill Cummings, Melody Chatelle, James Davis, Claude Andrews, and Ronnie Ault.

Absent board members were: Dan Roberts and excused absence was given to John Commander and Arlene Allison.

Guests attending were: Gaston and Margaret West, Tom Perkins, and Charlotte Parks.

Frank Netherton reported that TSHL has about \$263,000. He stated that the original policy statement (a recreated copy) started off with 15% in equity and rest of the funds were in cash, short-term and mid-term bonds and CD's. In October equity were increased by 45% and remaining funds were placed in cash, short-term and mid-term bond. In response to board member concerns, funding placement is designed to increase fund growth and improve cash flow to cover cost at session time. Current investments are: American Funds, Washington Mutual and Income Fund of America, all are considered to be conservative investments.

Frank made a motion to correct the October 1998 minutes that TSHL agreed to increased investments by 45% in Equity and 55% in Bonds.

H. Richard McGhee read the minutes of the December 6, 1999 meeting. They were approved.

Paula Johnson was unprepared to give the Treasurer Report, report information was unavailable for review due to the absence of Arlene Allison

Frank Netherton brought signatures cards for new board officers to sign.

Ronnie Ault reported that TSHL Foundation Board Letterhead was ordered and received. TSHL brochures were reviewed and found to be current.

Unfinished Business

The next issue was New Member Terms. Melody Chatelle volunteered to serve the short-term until, December 2001. There were no objections. Bill Cummings, Paula Johnson, and Hilda Ramsay will serve a full four year term until, (December 2004).

New Business

- A. Read the by-laws regarding absentee members. Three unexcused absences require dismissal from the TSHL board.

- B. Changes in investments. (Prior Discussion)
- C. Bill Cummings reported on five letter, direct mail solicitation as a fund raising method. Chris Kelly, president of the five letter campaign represents several non-profit agencies and would be a resource for TSHL in the fund raising process.
- D. John Clemmons continues to pursue additional fund raising through the use of the Kroger's and Randall's cards. The use of the cards has resulted in limited revenue and is a matter of concern.

Additional Business

Gaston West reported on the process of updating the TSHL brochures through the communication committee. He wants the brochures to consist of what we are doing now and not what we have done in the past.

He also announced that the TSHL has secured a place for the archives to be stored in Austin.

He went on to speak regarding the budget increase by the assistance of the fund raising committee. He would like to see some of these funds be distributed among the Communication, Legislatural, State Jester Center and Operational Committee. The budget will be presented to the members at the April meeting for approval.

Gaston reported that the TSHL Manual will be published for free. Gaston suggested since the manual will be published for free, we should allow three members of the TSHL Board to go on a retreat and develop a three year plan to increase the corpus and funds.

Appointed Fund Raising Committee

Paula Johnson
John Clemmons
Bill Cummings

Next meeting date is on April 13th, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Richard McGhee
TSHL Secretary

Handwritten signature

Approved by:

Date: _____