**2017 TACRAO Business Meeting**

**November 8, 2017**

**South Padre Island**

President Irene Robinson called the 2017 TACRAO Business Meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

Darla Inglish recognized newcomers and the Scavenger Hunt winners:

Jennifer Waits, TCCCD

Armando Prado, TAMU-SA

Nayra Mendoza UH-Victoria

Bingo winners included:

Sharon Guillory, Lee College

Tiffany Clark, ??

Mary Kincannon serving as parliamentarian for the meeting counted the number of active members in attendance.

Michelle Walker, TACRAO Secretary, presented the minutes of the 2016 Business Meeting held at Horseshoe Bay and a report of the current year’s activity. Subscriptions: 222 paid, 34 unpaid; 169 member institutions: 118 paid, 51 unpaid; 1171 members: 878 paid, 293 unpaid.

Jeremy Dorman, TACRAO Treasurer, reviewed account balances and reported TACRAO in good financial standing. All records passed audits and a formal report is posted and available to membership.

Oscar Reyna, chair of the Audit Committee, reported that the committee met on Monday, November 6 during the conference. TACRAO records were in good order and their report is posted for review.

Bobby Lothringer, in his usual comedic style, read the Resolutions Report highlighting conference fun and faux pas. The conference boasted 625 attendees! Full resolution is posted on the TACRAO website.

Darla Inglish, Past President, reported that 11 Past Presidents met on Tuesday and offered thanks to John Hall for keeping up with Past Presidents and Honorary Member listings.

Darla presented the proposed Constitution and Bylaw changes displaying them via PowerPoint. Changes included:

* the addition of a VP for Information Technology to the TACRAO Executive Committee,
* changes to the Corporate Relations Committee structure,
* changes to the duties of the High School Relations Committee,
* suspension of the Health Science, Professional and Graduate School Committee
* assigns Technology Committee to report to VP for IT
* TCCNS proposal to become Standing Committee

Three motions to accept proposed changes were made and voted upon by the membership.

* Approval of VP of IT - motion to accept by Jodie Torres, TX State University, Maggie Hinojosa, UTRGV seconded motion, motion passes per member vote.
* Bylaws change to Corporate Relations - Becki Griffith, TCCCD, moved to accept changes, Lorri Morris, Angelo State University seconded, motion passes per member vote.
* TCCNS (requires 4/5 approval) - Bobby Lothringer, TWU, presented the motion to accept, Oscar Reyna, TAMUCC, seconded and motion carried by vote of membership.

Mary Kincannon verified, as acting Parliamentarian, voting met constitutional requirements in all cases.

Irene Robinson called for old business or new business from the membership. No business was presented for discussion.

Irene recognized the outgoing officers, Vice President for Admissions-Leticia Bazan, Secretary-Michelle Walker, and Past President-Darla Inglish. She thanked them for their service and expressed her sincere appreciation for their support this year. She then recognized the SPI - LAC Chairs, Maggie Hinojosa and Griselda Castilla, acknowledging the tremendous work that went into making the conference a success. Many thanks to the many, many local higher education professionals who assisted with making the conference a success.

Irene issued a challenge to newcomers to get involved and make TACRAO their 2nd family. TACRAO is one of the best state organizations in the AACRAO world.

Following a gracious thanks for the opportunity to serve and lead TACRAO, Irene presented the gavel to Joe Papari, 2018 TACRAO President. In his first act as new President, Joe recognized Irene’s leadership and thanked her for her example. An invitation to new TEC members to come forward and be recognized followed, Sofia Montes-President-elect, Dara Newton-Vice President for Admissions, and Brenda Schumann-Secretary.

2018 LAC, led by Araceli Hill and Joy Frazier, invited members to save the date for next year’s conference in Ft Worth and gave away 3 very nice door prizes, a pair of Justin boots, a 1 night stay at the Omni hotel and a 1 night stay at Sheraton hotel

Joe reaffirmed the highest priority for 2018 TEC is to find a scheduling solution for HSRC fairs and at 11:47 a.m. adjourned the 96th Annual TACRAO Conference.