

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
May 23, 2019**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Mary Stone, Bob Larsen, and Craig Smith. Blake Dorsett arrived at 6:34 p.m. Staff present included: Alicia Reinmund-Martinez, Brian Smith, Vanessa Escobar, Robin Gary, Jackie Vay, Justin Camp, Brian Hunt and Tammy Raymond. These minutes represent a summarized version of the meeting; the complete discussion of the following items is recorded digitally.

Note: The Board of Directors of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development) 418.183 (Homeland Security). No final action or decision will be made in Executive Session.

1. Call to Order.

President Stansberry called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m., noting that a quorum of the Board was present.

4. Award Presentations

4a. Recognition of the winners of the scholarships to the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's Aquatic Science Adventure Camp at Texas State University-San Marcos.

President Stansberry presented certificates to the camp scholarship winners in attendance.

4b. Recognition of the winners of the District's essay contest and the Kent S. Butler Memorial Groundwater Stewardship College Scholarship.

President Stansberry presented certificates to Emma Cook and Ian McIntoch, this year's winners of the Kent S. Butler Memorial Groundwater Stewardship College Scholarships.

All of the winners were congratulated. A recess was taken in order to take group pictures with the winners and the Board of Directors.

2. Citizen Communications (Public Comments of a General Nature).

There were no public comments of a general nature.

3. Routine Business.

a. **Consent Agenda.** *(Note: These items may be considered and approved as one motion. Directors or citizens may request any consent item be removed from the consent agenda, for consideration and possible approval as a separate item of Regular Business on this agenda.)*

1. **Approval of Financial Reports under the Public Funds Investment Act, Directors' Compensation Claims, and Specified Expenditures greater than \$5,000.**
2. **Approval of minutes of the Board's April 25, 2019, Regular Meeting.**
3. **Approval of amending the contract for Holland Groundwater Management Consultants LLC to add an additional \$9,000.**
4. **Approval of the Board meeting schedule for June, July, and August 2019.**

Director Smith moved approval of Consent Agenda Items 1 through 4, noting an invoice from Intera in the amount of \$5800.00.

Director Stone seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 3 to 1. Director Larsen voted nay.

b. General Manager's Report. *(Note: Topics discussed in the General Manager's Report are intended for general administrative and operational information-transfer purposes. The Directors will not take any action unless the topic is specifically listed elsewhere in this agenda for consideration.)*

Topics

1. **Personnel matters.**
2. **Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators.**
3. **Upcoming public events of possible interest.**
4. **Review of Status Report Update – at directors' discretion.**
5. **Update on projects and activities of individual teams.**
6. **Update on development activities over aquifer recharge and contributing zones.**
7. **Update on activities related to area roadway projects.**
8. **Update on GMA and regional water planning activities.**
9. **Update on the State Auditor's Office audit.**
10. **Update on the State Office of Administrative Hearings proceedings for the Electro Purification LLC permit applications.**
11. **Update on Legislation**

Updates were given by Ms. Reinmund-Martinez, Bill Dugat and staff.

5. Discussion and possible action.

5a. Discussion and possible action related to amending the District's Employee Policy Manual to include a maximum limit on sick leave accumulation.

After discussion, Director Smith moved to allow a maximum of 480 hours of sick time accumulation.

Director Stone seconded the motion with a friendly amendment of a maximum of 600 hours, noting that there would be no reduction of sick time that has been accrued as of this date.

Director Smith accepted the friendly amendment.

President Stansberry called for a vote.

The motion passed with a vote of 4 to 1. Director Larsen voted nay.

Directors' Reports. *(Note: Directors' comments under this item cannot address an agenda item posted elsewhere on this agenda and no substantive discussion among the Board Members or action will be allowed in this meeting.)*

Directors may report on their involvement in activities and dialogue that are of likely interest to the Board, in one or more of the following topical areas:

- Meetings and conferences attended or that will be attended;
- Board committee updates;
- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents;
- Commendations; and
- Issues or problems of concern.

The Directors gave reports on their activities for the month.

7. Adjournment.

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Approved by the Board on June 13, 2019

By: Blayne Stansberry
Blayne Stansberry, President

Attest: Blake Dorsett
Blake Dorsett, Board Secretary