



**TACTC Annual Business Meeting and Election of Officers
Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2008, 4:00 p.m.**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Gene Chase at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Secretary Mauri Moore called the roll. Twenty-four college districts were represented. President Chase declared a quorum.

Electronic proxy votes:

Mauri Moore noted the bylaws do not address the use of electronic proxies so the membership voted on whether to approve email proxies for this meeting.

It was moved and seconded to allow the use of electronic proxies. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes from the May 17, 2007, were presented and voted upon.

Doug Sayan moved and Bob Lenigan seconded to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2007, Annual Business Meeting as presented. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Debra Lisser presented the Treasurer's Report for the TACTC General and Conference accounts.

Frank Irigon moved and Bob Lenigan seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed.

Proposed 2008-09 budget:

Treasurer Debra Lisser presented the 2008-09 TACTC budget as proposed by the Finance and Budget Committee. She highlighted suggestions made by the committee, including:

- *Creating Opportunities:*
 - Each year, \$15,000 is put aside to aggregate the cost of an opinion poll, which is conducted every four years.
 - An additional \$15,000 is budgeted for the work of the committee; however, these funds did not spend out in 2007-08 because of a staffing transition. Committee staff, Suzy Ames, departed the agency for a vice presidency at Pierce College.
 - For 2008-09, the committee recommended the unspent balance (\$14,938) budgeted for committee work in 2007-08 carry over to the new budget, in addition to the \$15,000 that is normally budgeted.
- *Dues:* The committee recommended maintaining the dues at \$.70 per FTE.

Judy Guenther moved and Dick Wadley seconded to approve the submitted 2008-2009 TACTC Budget and dues as proposed by the Finance and Budget Committee. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee Report:

Chair Shauna Weatherby explained the nominating process. Nomination forms were mailed to all trustees in February. Each nominee was subsequently contacted to ensure he/she was interested in running and understood the role and time commitment. There is no election for the position of president, so President-Elect Carol Landa-McVicker automatically moves into that office for 2008-09.

The proposed slate of officers for the 2008-09 TACTC Executive Board was:

President-elect:	Ronnie Behnke, Renton Technical College Debra Lisser, Skagit Valley College
Secretary:	Mauri Moore, Edmonds Community College
Treasurer:	Wayne Martin, Columbia Basin College

Ronnie withdrew her name from the running, explaining that she is returning to school to pursue her law degree.

Shauna called for additional nominations from the floor. There were none.

Larry Brown moved and John Stephens seconded to accept the slate of candidates by acclimation for the three offices, as presented. Motion passed.

The elected slate of officers for the 2008-09 TACTC Executive Board is as follows:

President-elect:	Debra Lisser, Skagit Valley College
Secretary:	Mauri Moore, Edmonds Community College
Treasurer:	Wayne Martin, Columbia Basin College

Election of the 2009 Nominating Committee:

Nominations were called from the floor to serve on the 2009 Nominating Committee. The following members were nominated:

Jon McFarland, Walla Walla Community College
 Nancy Truitt Pierce, Everett Community College
 Shauna Weatherby, Clover Park Technical College
 Tom Malone, Seattle Community Colleges
 Shoubee Liaw, Shoreline Community College

The membership was instructed to vote for five people. The three members with the most votes would be elected to the committee, with the member receiving the most votes to serve as chair. The two remaining nominees would serve as alternates. Voting results are as follows:

Tom Malone, Chair
 Shauna Weatherby, Member
 Jon McFarland, Member
 Nancy Truitt Pierce, 1st Alternate
 Shoubee Liaw, 2nd Alternate

Review of the bylaws:

Dick Wadley reviewed the Resolutions and Bylaws Committee’s recommended changes, including to:

- Allow certain notifications to be made by email as well as in writing;

- Change a reference to the former *SMART* Committee to the *Creating Opportunities* Committee;
- Alter Article 4, Section 3 – Nominations – to modernize language around committee membership.

There was discussion about changing the bylaws, in Article 1, Section 2 – Voting Rights – to add wording that would allow absent members to write or email their proxy as follows:

Any active member in good standing may vote on business transactions brought before the membership, either in regular or special membership meetings. Each District in good standing shall be entitled to up to five votes. If board members are unable to attend the annual spring convention, each board shall take action to delegate to a board member who plans to attend the convention, authorization to cast a ballot for any absent member(s) by written or emailed proxy.

Mauri moved the above revision and then withdrew it because there was confusion about the language in Article 9, Section 3 (see below), and whether such a vote could be called without providing three days' prior notice. The vote was deferred to next year's Resolutions and Bylaws Committee. It was ultimately decided the current bylaws language would allow a change; however, the language in Article 9, Section 3 did cause some confusion.

Article 9, Section 3 – Revision of Bylaws:

These Bylaws, as adopted by TACTC, may be revised or amended at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present and voting at any membership meeting, provided that written notice of such revision or amendment has been submitted to the membership at least three days prior to such meeting. However, these Bylaws may be revised or amended without advance notice, by unanimous consent of the membership at a regular annual meeting.

Seeing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.