



TTAO ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING (Corrected Minutes)
Saturday, September 28, 2019
Theatrefest, Dallas, Texas

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Carrie Klypchak at 12:30 pm

Board Members Present: Carrie Klypchak, Craig Hertel, Mark Pickell, Cathy Huvar, Jill Ludington, Rick Garcia, Yvonne Phillips-Dupree, Deb Shaw, Paula Rodriguez

Board Members Absent: Rachel Mattox, Billy Dragoo

II. Agenda

Rachel Smith moved that the agenda be accepted. Beverly Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IV. Officer Reports

Chair Report – Carrie Klypchak

The Chair reported a very active year for TTAO

- Rotated into the Chair position at summer meeting
- Trouble shooting issues with Connect
- Goals adopted this summer
 - Strengthen our communication so that we reach out to as many members as possible to get them actively involved in the organization.
 - Increase our identity as a sovereign non-profit organization making the best decisions for the members of the organization

The Chair thanked Past Chair, Mark Pickell, for all of his assistance and support during the transition.

Chair-Elect – Craig Hertel

2019-2020 Adjudicator Training/Certification Sessions

November 6, 2019 Plano, TX

May 1, 2020 OAP State Meet

We are still searching for an appropriate contest to host training in Lubbock/ Amarillo area. We are looking at the Panhandle because it is a location that we've identified as having a need.

2019-2020 Contest Manager Training/Certification

TTAO piloted a Contest Manager Training/Certification session at the OAP State Meet in 2019. Two new Contest Manager Training/Certification Session are planned for:

December 6-7, 2019 Leander, TX (Rouse High School)

March 20-21, 2020 Atascocita, TX (Atascocita High School)

The Contest Manager test has been moved from the UIL website to TTAO Connect.

Past Chair – Mark Pickell

Thanked the Board and Standards & Practices Committee for their work and support while he was the Chair.

TTAO established the following Core Values:

- **Education** – Our priority is theatre education for students and their teachers. Our policies serve to improve theatre training within the UIL contest framework.
- **Diversity** – We celebrate differences and include all the varied voices that represent students and the communities we serve.
- **Integrity** – We hold ourselves to the highest ethical standards. We expect and practice personal and professional integrity.
- **Transparency** – We commit to open communication and access to information, including governing documents. This instills trust and insures accountability.
- **Service** – We serve our learning community by bringing our knowledge, experience and leadership to students and teachers through professional training that instills confidence and provides growth.

Mark thanked Deb Shaw and Rick Garcia who helped wordsmith as well as other Standards & Practices Committee members who helped develop these Core Values.

Established and ad hoc committee to study the issue of slow payment and non-payment by schools. The contract now uses a flat fee based on \$75 per play. There is a new process for adjudicators to follow if they have issues with payments from schools. It can be found in the TTAO Manual of Operations which is located on the TTAO website.

Established and ad hoc committee to study Contest Manager training/certification. There would be a transition period current Contest Managers. The committee recommended that no one should be grandfathered in to being a TTAO Certified Contest Manager. The Board has not voted on this issue at this time.

Treasurer – Rachel Mattox (Presented by Carrie Klypchak)

Cash on Hand:	As of 8/31/2019
Wells Fargo Checking	19,448.10
Wells Fargo Savings	24,811.17
Pay Pal	<u>144.75</u>
	<u><u>44,404.02</u></u>
	For the Eight Months Ended 8/31/2019
Receipts	
Membership Dues	22,150.00
Interest Income	<u>2.44</u>
Total Revenue	<u><u>22,152.44</u></u>
Disbursements	
Program Expenses	
Training Expenses	1,352.43
Scholarships	2,000.00
Awards	780.00
Travel and Meetings	2,865.68
Consulting	1,500.00
Operations	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference Materials	2,653.80
Bank and PayPal fees	767.40
Supplies	<u>199.80</u>
Total Expenses	<u><u>12,119.11</u></u>

We are in good financial shape.

Communications Director – Cathy Huvar

TTAO Membership

TTAO Membership	Current Members	Lapsed Members
Adjudicators	334	118
TTAO CMs	143	63
Non-TTAO CMs	202	
Total Current Members	477	181
Total 6/18	450	135
Increase/(Decrease)	(+)27	(-)46

Encouraged members to regularly check their emails for information. Encouraged members to join the Adjudicator and Contest Member Facebook pages to stay informed.

UIL Theatre Director – Paula Rodriguez

Two new rule changes:

- Two Best Performers (May be either gender)
- Company size is now 20 total members plus 4 alternates. Cast members will be designated as such in the program.

OAP State Meet will be April 30 – May 2

- Conferences 1-3 will be at Austin ISD
- Conferences 4-7 will be in Round Rock

Old Business

Minutes from all meetings can be found on TTAO Website

Contracts can only be made through Connect and the offer expires within 72 hours. Be sure to check your email and your spam email regularly.

Minimum payment for Area and Region contests has increased to \$450. If you have a contract for less than that amount, contact your contest manager.

The following TTAO awards were presented this spring:

Service Award – Luis Munoz

Karen Ray

Legacy Award - Elizabeth Hedges (posthumously awarded)

New Business – Nominations

Board of Directors – Communications Director-Elect

Mandy Eply
Phillip Morgan

Travis Springfield moved that nominations cease. Larry Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Board of Directors – Treasurer- Elect

Gary Cooper
Karen King

Ray Newburg moved that nominations cease. Allana Patterson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Board of Directors – Director-At-Large

Scott Allen
Bill Doll
Missey Head

Rachel Smith moved that nominations cease. Brad Nies seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Board of Directors – Director-At-Large

Michael Avila
Jim Mammarella

Scott Allen moved that nominations cease. Kelsey Kling seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Standards & Practices Committee Contest Manager/Region 3

Frank Chuter
Timothy Estelle
Aimee Kasprzyk

Bob Singleton moved that the nominations cease. Karen King seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Standards & Practices Committee Adjudicator/Region 3

Freddie Buckner
Bradley Nies
Eric Skiles

Jared Berry moved that nominations cease. Eric Porter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Nominees introduced themselves to membership.

Voting will take place online beginning December 1, 2019 and ending December 14, 2019.

The Chair recognized Greg Arp, Omar Leos and Lou Lindsay who were appointed to the Standards & Practices Committee at the summer Board Meeting.

Announcements:

The Board will hold an online meeting in January

The Board will have its regular summer meeting in June. This is the time to submit concerns to the Board. All submitted concerns will go the Standards & Practices Committee at the summer meeting. This committee will make recommendations for action/no action to the Board.

Email support@ttao.org for any issues you encounter.

Mark Pickell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Travis Poe seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Huvar
TTAO Communications Director