



**SOUTHERN REGION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 7, 2016, Conference Call**

**Southern Region Board Members:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joe Irizarry, President          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linda Courtney, Pres. Central TX |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Lamkin, President Elect     | <input type="checkbox"/> Erin Machac, Pres. Gulf Coast               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tim McClure, Vice President                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Abigail LaCourse, Pres. Louisiana           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clay Clayton, Treasurer          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patrick Glenn, Pres. North TX    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Kaczynski, Secretary       | <input type="checkbox"/> Gary Armbruster, OK Governor                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kerri Ranney, Past Pres & SR Rep | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lowell Tacker, TX Governor       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD, Communications                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Combs, Pres. South TX     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD, Membership                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Keltner, Pres. Arkansas      |

**Non-Board Members at the Meeting:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scott Layne, Chair Intl. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Stice, Chair Elect Intl. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Hutton  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John Ramsey, CEO         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carla Cummins, Region Dir.    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barry Nebhut |

**A. Opening/Introductions and President's Report:**

- Call Meeting to Order (Joe Irizarry) (3:06 PM CST)
  - Establish Board Quorum (9 Present?) Yes/No (11 Present)
- Opening Remarks (Joe Irizarry)
  - To finalize 2016 SR budget and SR Foundation fund allocation
  - To address Arkansas Governor vacancy
  - To understand status of SR conference, chapter leadership development calls and upcoming critical region/chapter dates

**B. Action Items:**

- *Motion to approve the April 7, 2016 Southern Region Board Meeting Agenda*  
Motion: David                      Second: Lisa  
Discussion: None  
Vote:        In favor: All    Opposed: None                      Abstentions: None  
Motion:    Passed                      Failed

- *Motion to approve the February 5, 2016 Southern Region Board Management Meeting Minutes*  
 Motion: David                      Second: Kerri  
 Discussion: Recommended changes have been incorporated into the minutes.  
 Vote:        In favor: All    Opposed: None        Abstentions: None  
 Motion:     *Passed*         *Failed*
  
- Approval of SR Budget for 2016 (Clay Clayton)  
*Motion to approve SR Budget for 2016.*  
 Motion: Irene    Second: Bill  
 Discussion:  
     Budget line items have been cleaned up based on recent historical experiences  
     Allocation to foundation could be as much as \$85,000  
     Reserves: Conference (full fail coverage) of \$125,000, planned meetings and operational expenses  
     **Budget discussion TABLED for further consider until after SR Conference results are known.**  
 Vote:        In favor:        Opposed:        Abstentions:  
 Motion:     *Passed*         *Failed*
  
- Approval of 2016 Southern Region Foundation Council Funding Allocation (Clay Clayton)  
*Motion to approve the 2015-2016 Southern Region Foundation Funding Allocation in the amount not to exceed \$*  
 Motion: Irene    Second: Bill  
 Discussion: **Allocation TABLED for further consider.**  
 Vote:        In favor:        Opposed:        Abstentions:  
 Motion:     *Passed*         *Failed*
  
- Approval of the Appointment of Arkansas Governor (Joe Irizary)  
*Motion to approve the appointment of Brad Chilcote as Arkansas Governor*  
 Motion: Linda    Second: Lisa Lamkin  
 Discussion: Jack See retired from employment and resigned his position as Arkansas Governor. The Arkansas chapter president has recommended that Brad Chilcote serve as Jack's replacement. Brad has served the Arkansas Chapter and SR in the past.  
  
 Vote:        In favor: All    Opposed: None        Abstentions: None  
 Motion:     *Passed*         *Failed*

C. Informational Items and Discussion

- Southern Region Today – No updates
- Finances (Separate accounts for SR and Chapters)
  - SR Balance \$251,836
  - Central Texas \$
  - Gulf Coast \$
  - Louisiana \$
  - North Texas \$
  - Oklahoma \$
  - South Texas \$

- **Foundation Account**
  - Cash \$; 2 CDs (24 mo. \$ & 9 mo, \$ ) No updates available.
  - 6 Applicants for SR Conference attendance, 6 awarded
  - Quarterly meetings being planned, will meet at SR Conference
    - Immediate Chapter Past Presidents are on Foundation Advisory Council
  
- **International Representation**

(Scott Layne (Chair, International), Bill Stice (Chair Elect), Kerri Ranney (SR Director))

  - Committee activity is ongoing and active
    - Global – beyond UK and AustralAsia
    - Innovation – due diligence and industry trending, cutting edge
  
- **SR Conference Update (Lisa Lamkin)**
  - Agenda review or changes – no changes reported
  - Registrations – historical attendance is down overall
  - Scholarships Awarded for participation – 6 applicants met the criteria, 6 scholarships awarded
  - Strategies for next year to get school folks involved
  
- **Initiatives**
  - Professional Development – No updates made
  - SchoolsNext (Dillon Brady) – Replaces Clay Clayton
  - Emerging Professionals (called 20 under 40 in Pacific Northwest) – No updates made
  
- **Elections/Vacant Positions - There are some vacant positions to be filled now.**
  - Arkansas Governor – Action taken above, Brad Chilcote approved for position
  - Texas Governor – Lowell Tacker won election.
  - SR Membership - Open
  - SR Communication - Open
  
- **Chapter Leader Development Program**
  - Chapter Leadership Development Conference Calls

<b>Meeting Month</b>	<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>
March	March 8, 2016		Foundation/SchoolsNext
May	May 12, 2016		SchoolsNext/ Elections, International Conference
August	August 4, 2016		Budgets, Leadership Transitions

- 2016 Southern Region Goals – No updates
  
- Southern Region Foundation – No updates
  - Proposed Board Governance Changes
  - Proposed Action Plan

- SR Funding
  - SR funding requirements relative to fund balance have been distributed for consideration
    - SR Board to consider excess funds transfer to SR Foundation – **Tabled for further review.**
- Chapter Best Practices (Group Discussion) – No discussion.
  - Professional Development
  - Fundraising
- 2016 Southern Region Event Schedule
  - Communication – Conference Calls & In-Person Meetings
  - Critical Path Items – Decisions, Budgets, Elections
- 2017 Southern Region Conference – Dallas, planning to begin soon, schedule to be determined

D. SR Board Meeting/Event Schedule Proposed Schedule

Meeting Month	Meeting Date	Time	Event	Conduct Business
May	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 pm	Chapter Leaders Call	
June/July			Elections	
July	July 14 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 pm	BoD Conference Call	Y
August	August 4 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 pm	Chapter Leaders Call	
September	September 28 – October 1	TBD	A4LE International Conference -Philadelphia	
September	September 29 <sup>th</sup>		SR Board Social Changing of the Guard	
September/October			2017 Budget	
October	October 13 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 pm	BoD Conference Call	Y

E. Adjournment

*Move to adjourn the SR Board Meeting for April 7, 2016*

Motion: Clay                      Second: Irene

Discussion: None

Vote: In favor: All    Opposed: None                      Abstentions: None

Motion:  *Passed*     *Failed*

Time: 3:53 PM