

TCMA Allies Committee Minutes
July 22, 2021
Virtual

Members present included: Task Force Chair Noel Bernal, City Manager, Brownsville; Task Force Vice Chair Debbie Maynor; Vicki Chiavetta, Deputy City Manager, Coppell; Kevin Carruth, City Manager, Rockport; Andrew Fortune, Assistant to the City Manager, Grand Prairie; Micah Grau, Deputy City Manager, Buda; Paulette Hartman, Deputy City Manager, North Richland Hills; Elena Quintanilla, City Manager, Ransom Canyon; Lauren Middleton-Pratt, Assistant City Manager, Buda; Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager, McAllen; Trent Slovak, Director of Engineering, K Friese and Associations; Isaac Turner, TCMA Life Member and Retired City Manager; Monique Vernon, City Manager, Kirby; Rebecca Vice, Assistant City Manager, Allen

TML staff: Kim Pendergraft

Debbie Maynor called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and thanked everyone for attending. Each member introduced themselves and welcomed new committee members.

Noel Bernal provided a report on the Board training and TCMA Annual Conference educational session. Paulette Hartman and Michelle Rivera also provided insight on the TCMA Conference session. The feedback was positive for each event.

The Committee discussed how to best roll out training to the TCMA regions. Each region representative on the Committee will work to schedule a training. Prior to rolling out the training, the Committee will conduct a “Train the Trainer” to help provide a consistent message. Material from the Board training and TCMA Annual Conference will be provided in advance. Debbie stated that developing an online training similar to the ethics training can be a goal of the Committee. **Kim will coordinate with Noel a date for the Train the Trainer event with August 20 or 27, 1:00-3:00 p.m. preferred. Debbie will send Kim the training material to share with the Committee.**

Subcommittees have not met, therefore reports were not provided. **Kim will send the schedule for the next meeting of the TCMA Professional Development Committee to the Allies Professional Development Subcommittee inviting them to attend and provide feedback for DEI sessions. Paulette Hartman will attend the Annual Conference planning meeting in October.**

Kim will send information on the subcommittees to the new Allies Committee members. They will select the subcommittee they would like to serve.

Debbie discussed next steps including “Train the Trainers”, consider recommendations and feedback from previous training to develop action items, and for region representatives to share how training was coordinated and delivered in their respective regions.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.