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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 20th, 2018 1:30pm

Teleconference hosted by AAPG

Officers:

President	Nic Brissette (NTGS)(v)	P
Vice President	Paul Pausé (WTGS)(v)	P
President Elect	Terry O'Hare (DGS)(v)	P
Past President	Mike Raines (WTGS)(v)	P
Secretary	Robert H. Springer (FWGS)(v)	P
Treasurer	Kelli A. Snidow (WTGS)(v)	P
AAPG Advisory Council	Joseph Davis (DGS)(v)	

Affiliated Society Representatives (v: voting):

Abilene Geological Society	Darrell Mauldin (v)	P
Dallas Geological Society	Mark Bengtson (President) (v)	
El Paso Geological Society	Claire Bailey (v)	P
Fort Worth Geological Society	Michael Kohl (President) (v)	P
North Texas Geological Society	Jerry Hickman (v)	P
Roswell Geological Society	Tom King (President) (v)	P
San Angelo Geological Society	Bruce Swartz (v)	
West Texas Geological Society	David Osterlund (President) (v)	

AAPG Administration Representative:

	Karin Alyea	P
(v) Voting Delegate	P Present	

Note: Only voting officers of BOD SWS AAPG were notified of meeting.

MEETING

Robert H. Springer Performed Roll Call for Voting Members- Have 11 of 15 present (73.3%) – Have Quorum.

Meeting Called to Order by President Nic Brissette.

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OFFICER REPORTS

President:

Nic Brissette

Nominations for 2018-2019 Officers

- Nic commented that the issues facing Mike Raines in soliciting members to serve as officers has grown more challenging because of how busy everyone is and he is commended for following up getting names we have now but we are now hitting time constraints making it even more difficult.
- Mike Raines commented that he found 6 candidates but don't have time to devote for the next year because of work, about 8-10 individuals who would be interested in serving but don't want to commit the full amount of time required for an officer position, and another 5-6 individuals who would be interested in being an officer but discovered they were not eligible because they were Associate Members and not Full members.
- Moving on, Nic said present slate of officers are:

Candidate for President Elect:	John F. Humphrey
Candidate for Vice President:	Dean C. Snidow
Candidate for Secretary:	Jessica L. Wold
Candidates for Treasurer:	Logan Chatterton and Rae T. Jacobsen
- One of the issues in our By Laws that has arisen from this slate of candidates is the requirement for 2 candidates for each position but we were unable to fulfill that requirement. The By Laws does not address how to handle it if you only find one candidate for an office.
- Nic said that this issue he will have to deal with this next year as it will be necessary to amend the By Laws of the SWS. DGS and AGS have already had this issue arise and have changed their By Laws to accommodate single candidate for office.
- Darrell Mauldin emailed this out during meeting as to how AGS amended their By Laws: *The Board of Directors shall act as a nominating committee. They shall nominate one or more candidates for each office here stipulated. The nominations shall be announced at the annual meeting in May and nominations from the floor called for. If only one person is nominated for each office, then election shall be by general consent. If more than one person is nominated for an office, election shall be by ballot.*
- Terry O'Hare asked how the By Law would be amended and Nic said that it would have to be written up, circulated to all of the presidents of the affiliated societies and approved. Terry said we should react to this action quicker than later.
- Paul Pausé said it's a troubling situation to be in but this is the only time it has ever happened in his experience in the SWS and questions if it necessitates a knee jerk reaction to changing our By Laws. He is concerned it would make it too easy to be less diligent in future soliciting sufficient number of candidates for office and don't want it to become- "we got one candidate and it's too challenging to get anyone else so let's call it good and go on".
- Darrell Mauldin said he had trouble recruiting candidates for office the previous 2 years and Jeff Richie told him he had a hard time the years before that.

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- Jerry Hickman commented that maybe we have it in there to have approval of the board for single candidate but not be a default position and that every effort be made to find multiple candidates for each position.
- Robert Springer suggested having a cutoff date as a trigger permitting single candidate for office.
- Mike Raines suggested having in event of single candidate, adding a “write-in” candidate option.
- Karin Alyea said that the write in is an option as well as “abstain” is added option. “No” is also an option for a candidate. Abstain has never been a majority in prior elections. The single candidate issue has been common in Regions Election. Some Sections such as Rocky Mountain have only appoint officers and a single election for AC position. The only other section to have elections is Eastern where they elect Treasurer and then rotate up the ranks for subsequent years.
- Mike Raines asked what would happen if in single candidate election they get more “no” votes what happens then. Karin answered that has never happened. Her perception is people who volunteer to run for position win because most feel that if they are willing to serve let’s support them.
- Terry O’Hare asked if today we are voting on an exception to our By Laws to approve this slate of officers and Nic answered yes, so we can get this out to the SWS membership so that they can vote for what we currently have placed.
- Mike Raines said that amending the By Laws will fall to Terry’s term and that John Humphrey presumably as President Elect and chairman of By Laws Committee will need to address issue.
- Nic requested a motion accept the following SWS candidates:

Candidate for President Elect:	John F. Humphrey
Candidate for Vice President:	Dean C. Snidow
Candidate for Secretary:	Jessica L. Wold
Candidates for Treasurer:	Logan Chatterton and Rae T. Jacobsen
- Terry O’Hare made motion to accept the candidates and Darrell Mauldin 2nd the motion. All voted in favor of accepting the candidates, none opposed. **Motion passed.**
- Robert Springer inquired will ballot to be sent out be just Treasurer or will it include the other offices with single candidates. Mike Raines replied it will include all names with a For or Against.
- Karin Alyea said a test ballot will go out to voting BOD members today, and if it passes tomorrow morning, we can send out to voting eligible SWS membership tomorrow afternoon of June 21st. Give one week for election, finishing on 28th and have results by June 29th.
- Terry O’Hare said he has not determined when he would have his first meeting but would probably be around middle of July. Once date determined he will also send invite to past officers and new officers for the teleconference to facilitate getting things started.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm.

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