

# TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

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## MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

April 6, 2017

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Texas Public Finance Authority (the "Authority") convened in open meeting, notice duly posted pursuant to law (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A") at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 6, 2017, William P. Clements, Jr. Building, Room 411, 300 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin, Texas. Present were: Mr. Billy M. Atkinson, Jr., Chairman; Ms. Ruth C. Schiermeyer, Vice Chair; Mr. Gerald B. Alley, Secretary; Mr. Walker N. Moody, Member; and Mr. Rodney K. Moore; Member.

Representing the Authority's staff were: Lee Deviney, Executive Director; John Hernandez, Deputy Director; Kevin Van Oort, General Counsel; and Pamela Scivicque, Director of Business Administration.

In attendance were the following persons, representing the indicated entities: Jorge Rodriguez and Daniel Rodriguez, FTN Financial; and Gabriella Briceno, FirstSouthwest.

Mr. Atkinson called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and noted the presence of a quorum.

### **Item 1. Confirm meeting posting compliance with the Open Meetings Act.**

Mr. Atkinson confirmed that the meeting was duly posted with the Secretary of State's Office.

### **Item 2. Excuse absences of board members, if necessary.**

**Action:** Motion by Mr. Moody to excuse the absence of Mr. Manning and Mr. Roddy, second by Mr. Alley. The motion passed unanimously.

**Item 3. Hiring freeze.**

Mr. Deviney reviewed the hiring freeze implemented by the Office of the Governor and explained the process for requesting a waiver. TPGA requested and recently received a waiver from the Office of the Governor to fill an Accounting position. Mr. Deviney stated the position will be posted soon.

**Item 4. Legislative update.**

Mr. Deviney laid out several bills that the Authority is actively monitoring during the 85<sup>th</sup> legislative session, including several new financing programs.

**Item 5. Status Report: General Appropriations Act.**

Mr. Deviney discussed the status of the Authority's administrative budget included in the House (CSSB 1) and Senate (SB 1) versions of the appropriations bill. Further, Mr. Deviney highlighted the additional items that were included in the respective House and Senate versions of the appropriation bill.

**Item 6. Status Report: Travel expense reimbursement for Charter School Finance Corporation board members.**

Mr. Deviney advised the Board that the Senate had included a new rider in SB 1 which would authorize the expenditure of appropriated funds for the purpose of reimbursing travel expenses of Charter School Finance Corporation board members.

**Item 7. Insurance Update: D&O and Property & Casualty**

Mr. Deviney and Ms. Scivicque updated the board members on the renewal of the directors & officers and property & casualty policies.

**Item 8. TPGA Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.**

Mr. Deviney discussed separating the referenced document into two manuals, to permit staff to update procedures to remain in conformance with changes in state and federal statutes. Board policies would remain in a separate policy manual and require board action to make changes. The Board requested that staff proceed to bifurcate the Texas Public Finance Authority Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual for presentation at a future meeting. Further, Mr. Atkinson instructed staff to make changes necessary to conform with current legal requirements.

**Item 9. Future agenda items and meeting dates.**

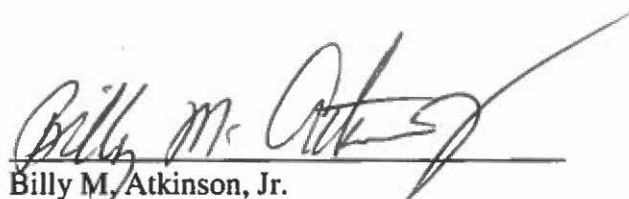
A June board meeting was discussed, with a tentative date of June 15, 2017.

Future agenda items may include discussion and possible action on RFP's for bond counsel, financial advisors and underwriters.

**Item 10. Adjourn.**

Mr. Atkinson adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved and adopted by the Board of Directors on June 23, 2017.



Billy M. Atkinson, Jr.  
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTACHMENT: Posting Notice



## Open Meeting Information

**Agency Name:** Texas Public Finance Authority  
**Date of Meeting:** 04/06/2017  
**Time of Meeting:** 10:30 AM (Local Time)  
**Board:** Texas Public Finance Authority  
**Committee:** Texas Public Finance Authority Work Session  
**Status:** Accepted  
**Street Location:** William P. Clements, Jr. Building, Room 411  
**City Location:** Austin  
**Meeting State:** TX  
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### AGENDA

**Agenda:** The Board may discuss and take action regarding any of the following matters:

1. Confirm meeting posting compliance with the Open Meetings Act.
2. Excuse absences of board members, if necessary.
3. Hiring freeze.
4. Legislative update.
5. Status Report: General Appropriations Act.

6. Status Report: Travel expense reimbursement for Charter School Finance Corporation board members.
7. Insurance Update: D&O and Property & Casualty
8. TPFA Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.
9. Future agenda items and meeting dates.
10. Adjourn.

THE BOARD MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION REGARDING ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA IF PERMITTED UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 551.

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