



MINUTES

Policy Committee

Public Meeting held via videoconference on August 25, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. CT
Pursuant to Texas Govt. Code 551.127 – COVID-19 circumstances

Committee Members Present/(Absent)

Chris Noak, Chair
Brad Sinclair
(Mike Benson)
Kelly Crook
Yuejiao Liu

Guests:

Paige Saenz, General
Counsel

Other Board Trustees Present/(Absent)

Amy Hunter†
Michael Granof
(Dick Lavine)
(Anthony B. Ross, Sr.)
(Leslie Pool)
(Diana Thomas)

Others Present

Staff:

Christopher Hanson
Sarah McCleary
Russell Nash
Mehrin Rahman
David Kushner
Jenni Bonds*
Amy Kelley*
Yun Quintanilla*
Teresa Cantu*
Jenni Bonds

*Present telephonically

† present via videoconference

1 Call roll of Committee members

Chair Chris Noak called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. Committee members present were Noak, Liu, Crook, and Sinclair.

Chair Noak asked if there were any members of the public who wished to speak, either now or during an agenda item. There were no comments.

2 Review order of business and establish meeting objectives

Chair Noak reviewed the order of business and objectives with the Committee. No changes were made to the order of business.

3 Consider approval of the March 10, 2022 Policy Committee meeting minutes

Chair Noak asked Trustees to review the minutes. Ms. Yuejiao Liu moved to approve the March 10, 2022 Policy Committee minutes as presented. Dr. Kelly Crook seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

4 Discuss and consider Communications Policy, Operational Communications Procedures, and Social Media Policy and Guidelines

Mr. Christopher Hanson presented proposed revisions to the Communications Policy and noted a proposed revision which establishes a process for communication during legislative sessions. He also noted the presence of the operational communications procedures and the social media policy and guidelines, neither of which require formal Board approval. Trustees suggested adding language to the sample response to inquiries. Trustees also discussed enforcement mechanisms should a Trustee not follow the policy. Staff agreed to discuss with General Counsel what could be acceptable.

Dr. Crook moved to recommend that the Board adopt the Communications Policy as presented. Mr. Brad Sinclair seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

5 Discuss and consider administrative budget reports including:

A. 2022 administrative budget

Mr. Hanson reported on the year-to-date 2022 administrative expenses compared to the budget.

B. 2023 administrative budget priorities

Mr. Hanson reported on the priorities that Staff has been discussing for the 2023 administrative budget, including personnel, professional services, information technology, insurance, and capital projects and events. The proposed 2023 budget will be presented to the Committee in November for discussion and recommendation to the full Board.

6 Review key meeting takeaways and call for future agenda items

Chair Noak summarized the actions taken and the information discussed during the meeting and asked for any future agenda items.

As there were no further items to address, the meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the November 10, 2022 Policy Committee meeting.