



MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Public Meeting held in person and videoconference

On August 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. CT

Pursuant to Texas Govt. Code 551.127 – COVID-19 circumstances

Committee Members

Present/ (Absent)

Kelly Crook, Committee
Chair
Yuejiao Liu†
Leslie Pool†

*Present telephonically

† present via
videoconference

Other Board Trustees

Present/ (Absent)

Anthony Ross
Diana Thomas†
(Michael Granof)
(Dick Lavine)
Brad Sinclair
Amy Hunter†
Chris Noak
Michael Benson

Guest

Paige Saenz, General
Counsel

Others Present:

Staff

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

1 Call roll of Committee members

Committee Chair Kelly Crook called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. The following committee members were present in person: Crook. The following committee members were present via teleconference: Pool (*arr. 10:04*) and Liu.

Committee Chair Crook 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

Committee Chair Crook reviewed the order of business and objectives with the Committee. There were no changes to the order of business for the meeting.

Ms. Pool was off camera from 10:05 – 10:07 a.m.

3 Review the 2022 Committee Work Plan

Mr. Christopher Hanson reviewed the proposed 2022 Committee Work Plan with the committee. Trustees discussed it and gave general approval.

4 Discuss legislation for the 88th Legislative Session including:

A. Receive report on draft legislation

Mr. Christopher Hanson reviewed a final set of decisions made by the Working Group as well as the status of proposed legislation. He also shared a report on feedback from COAERS stakeholders on the legislation. Mr. Hanson noted that Staff was looking at the possibility of one more stakeholder meeting in the fall, possibly the week of October 10-14.

Ms. Pool was off camera from 10:30 – 10:31 a.m.

B. Roles, responsibilities, and priorities

Committee Chair Crook noted upcoming proposed changes to the Communications Policy which would be discussed at the Policy Committee later in the day covering communication during legislative sessions. Members of the committee agreed it was important to be consistent on who would speak on behalf of the Board and COAERS during a legislative session, even on an informal basis.

Mr. Hanson indicated that Legislative Training will be included on the agenda of the October Board workshop.

5 Review key meeting takeaways and call for future agenda items

As there were no further items to address, the meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

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