



## **January 23, 2007 Meeting Minutes**

### ***Introduction & Opening:***

The January meeting was held at the Live Oak Grill and hosted by the NBMA.

Clifton Stapleton opened the meeting by welcoming members and guests.

Member companies present were: Ameridrives, Ashley Furniture, Cemex, Comal ISD, Detex, FedEx Services, Great American Products, NB Chamber of Commerce, NB Herald-Zeitung, New Braunfels Communications, Objective Maintenance, Priority Personnel, Star Manufacturing, T-Bar M and TXI

Guests present were: Mark Hankins (Tex Star Bank)

### ***Officer Reports:***

Paul Webber updated the membership on the current account balances for the organization and a summary of account activity for 2006. A complete financial report for 2006 is attached.

### ***Committee Reports:***

- Scholarship:
  - o New scholarship guidelines will be discussed later in the meeting.
  
- Membership:
  - o No report
  
- Fundraising:
  - o No report

### ***NBMA Business:***

*Officers for 2007:* The NBMA executive board has recommended the following individuals for officers for 2007:

President – Barry Brittain from Coleman

Vice President – Kevin Kelley from Cemex

Secretary/Treasurer – Paul Webber from Star Manufacturing, Ltd.

The membership moved, seconded and unanimously voted for these officers. Congratulations!

*By-Laws amendments:* Suggested changes to the By-Laws were presented:

Section IX

3.0 Term of Officers

The officers of NBMA will be elected for a one year term. The office of President shall be filled with an eligible member that has served for at least a one year term in a previous position.

#### 4.0 Election

The new officers will be elected each December and will begin his/her term January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

Discussion was held. An exception will be added to 3.0 for if a qualified candidate is not available. Since the Business Meeting has been held in January, section 4.0 will be changed to January elections and the term starting at the conclusion of the Business Meeting. It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to change the By-Laws as suggested. Paul will update the By-Laws and distribute to the members along with posting them on the web-site.

*Membership Dues:* The membership dues were reviewed. Based on current account activity and organizational expenses, the dues do not need to be changed. The membership moved, seconded and unanimously voted to keep the current membership dues structure.

*Lunch Dues:* The lunch dues were reviewed. Paul reported that we collect enough in lunch dues to cover the costs of the meals.. The membership moved, seconded and unanimously voted to keep the current lunch dues structure.

*Scholarship Guideline Changes:* Paul presented suggested changes to the scholarship guidelines and applications. The main changes were:

- 1) Change from \$500 to \$1000 scholarship payable \$500 in the Fall and \$500 in the Spring.
- 2) Added a statement regarding retention of records for scholarship recipients
- 3) Added an October cutoff date to approve scholarships
- 4) Change the method of payment to a reimbursement plan to reflect actual practice.
- 5) Create a new and cleaner application.

The membership moved, seconded and unanimously voted to accept the proposed changes. The new application and guidelines will be posted on the website. The scholarship committee will coordinate the distribution of the new application and guidelines to CTTC and the high schools.

*Programs for 2007:* The Program schedule for 2007 was presented to the members. The NBMA Board is looking for suggested changes to the programs and host companies.

*Outstanding Service Award:* George will be retiring within the next few months. Clifton presented an "Outstanding Service Award" to George for his many years of dedicated service and leadership to the organization.

*CTTC Board:* NBMA has a representative on the CTTC advisory board. George Bal has been this representative. With George's upcoming retirement, the NBMA will need to appoint a new representative. John Malik from Ameridrives volunteered for the position.

John discussed his involvement in the community and his desire to be the representative. The membership moved, seconded and unanimously voted to appoint John Malik as NBMA's representative on the CTTC Board.

***Announcements:***

Roy Linnartz from Comal ISD mentioned that the new Service Center will be opening soon. Comal ISD will offer tours. Anyone interested should contact Roy.

***Chamber Report:***

Rusty talked about a new video for Site Selectors that is being developed in conjunction with NBU. The video will be on the chamber's website. Also, a new GIS program will be launched on the website that will allow for aerial views of properties, demographics, per capita income and surrounding businesses to available properties for site selectors. The Chamber is working with local real estate agencies to list available commercial properties on the Chamber's website.

The airport is considering expanding runways and hangars to allow for larger aircraft for maintenance and shuttle services. There are some potential avionics companies (mfg and service) looking at New Braunfels if the hangars were available for larger craft.

More information will be distributed through Rusty's weekly update.

***Next Meeting:***

The next meeting will be held on February 20, 2007. The meeting will be at 11:45 am at CTTC. CTTC will be providing the program and tours. Contact Rusty Brockman for reservations.

Respectfully submitted: Paul W. Webber, Secretary/Treasurer