

STATE OF TENNESSEE



WEST TENNESSEE SEISMIC SAFETY COMMISSION

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The University of Memphis

Minutes

February 26, 2016

The University of Memphis
Center for Earthquake Research and Information
3892 Central, Memphis, TN 38152

- I. CALL TO ORDER – Graves
- II. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS – Graves
 - New Commissioner, Bart Walls from Jackson/Madison County
 - Staff Support, Dr. Kent Moran
- III. ROLL CALL, QUORUM COUNT –Graves
- IV. APPROVAL of PREVIOUS MINUTES – Graves

Molder motion for approval Deberry seconded, motion to approve minutes passed by verbal acclamation.
- V. OLD BUSINESS: Graves/Patterson
 - A. Activities update
 1. Reelfoot Lake Visitors Center Display Project,
 - \$60k approved by WTSSC on 8/6/2015
 - Status: development phase
 - Requested Actions: Form display review committee; meet with Mississippi River Corridor display contractor

Paatterson reported on meeting at Reelfoot lake, talked of development phase asked for formation of display review committee
 2. 2015 Great Central US Shakeout PSA overview
 - \$10k approved by WTSSC on 8/6/2015
 - over 250,000 Tennesseans registered
 - over 2.8 million registered in TN

Patterson reported 250,000 registered for shakeout , PSA effort successful. 2.8 million registered in State of Tennessee. Reedit of Lamar Alexander PSA to reflect 2015 PSA effort successful and recognized by all TEMA approved of it. Effective education and outreach tool. Station time buy successful.
 3. Reelfoot Lake Visitors Center Groundbreaking Ceremony

->\$130 in travel and lunch

-2 Commissioners and one Staff attended...what a great time!

Chairman Graves reported that ceremony successful. Well attended by local people, Several state departments and local politicians attended.

4. WTSSC Budget (Appendix A)

Patterson presented budget summary for WTSSC 123000 beginning balance, 60,000 expended, Reelfoot visitors center plus salary recovery, 12,000 for Great US shakeout, new expenditure for website and reformat of website. Suggestion at web committee. 13,264 remaining balance. Gene Rakow introduced, liason between University of Memphis and legislature. Discussion of legislative relations between Commission and legislature and U of M.

VI. ACTION ITEMS Graves

- A. Gavel Presentation to Commissioner Clyburn, 2013 WTSSC Chair
Chairman Graves presents gavel and gives short speech. Patterson notes for the record her service.
- B. Feasibility of WTSSC "Howe/Paullus Excellence in Earthquake Engineering Award"
Patterson asks for study to see feasibility. Testimonials to Paulus career

VII. NEW BUSINESS: Funding Requests

- A. Red Cross New Madrid Disaster Planning (Appendix B)
Requested Amount: \$63,000
- B. Request for University of Memphis Engineering student travel to the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute Meeting (Appendix C)
Funding Request: up to \$10,000
Patterson talked of sending students to EERI meeting funded 1500 dollars last year to meeting at San Francisco. U of M student compete with others from across the country. Patterson requested up to \$ 1500 for one student travel. Moved by Molder and seconded by Horton to approve. Motion approved
- C. Disaster Relief Trails Proposal (Appendix D) Patterson introduced Cort Percy simulates disaster relief using bikes. On April 30th of Preparathon with TEMA and Shelby County Office of Preparedness. Questions by commissioners on the format of the competition and the bikes used. Reqeusted amount \$1500 for videographer for event. Patterson recommend to put together request for executive committee out of cycle. Motion by Deberry for \$1500 for executive commission to look at proposal. Seconded by Horton and approved by commission
- D. Requested Amount: Sponsor Two Participants at "Titanium" level for \$400
- E. Recent inquiries from the Governors Board on Commissions Patterson details initiatives about commission members and support from the Governor's board.
- F. Display Review Committee added by Chairman Graves (new business)
- G. Patterson recommend two or three for committee,
- H. Web Committee added by Chairman Graves (new business)
Elaine Clyburn volunteered to be on committee

Action items agenda approved Molder seconded. Patterson action items and new business

VIII. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presentation on Red Cross disaster packet Elaine Clyburn introduced the presentation, dollar amount requested 60,000. Red Cross representatives gave presentation on project for plan. Update current plan for disaster. Emphasis on first 10 days and West Tennessee as focus for seismic activity. Assemble team of experts to develop plan. Plan on how to shelter large numbers of people after disaster. Desire to retain knowledge of Clyburn for later use by organization. Patterson suggests to carry over to next meeting. Motion to give technical assistance and to carry over to next meeting by Bucy. Motion seconded by Walls, motion approved.

- A. HUD NDRC project status (Appendix E) *Patterson details upcoming HUD project with dollar amounts to fund projects in West Tennessee and the remainder of the state. Discussion among commission about the impending project.*
- B. Memphis Preparathon Planning meeting March 2 (Appendix F)

IX. NEXT MEETING

X. WRAP UP/ADJOURNMENT *Motion to adjourn by Chairman Graves, motion passed*