

GULF COAST CHAPTER
Texas Association for Pupil Transportation
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Date: March 3, 2006

To: Gulf Coast Chapter TAPT, Member Addressed

From: Marisa Weisinger ~ President
Brian Weisinger ~ Vice President
Sam Davila ~ Secretary
Keith Kaup ~ Treasurer
Aaron Hobbs ~ Parliamentarian

Subject: March Meeting of the Gulf Coast Chapter TAPT

The Region IV Education Service Center, in cooperation with Houston ISD, will host the March meeting of the Gulf Coast TAPT Chapter on Tuesday, March 14, 2006. Region IV is located at 7145 West Tidwell, Houston, Tx. (Please see directions below.) The meeting will start at 10:00 AM. The minutes of the January 2006 meeting is included below for your examination and review. (No meeting was held in February due to the Winter Conference.)

Agenda for March 2006

Call to Order: *President – Marisa Weisinger*

Invocation/Pledge:

Welcome and Introductions:

Program & Lunch Sponsor: Thomas Bus Gulf Coast

Minutes of Previous Meeting: *(see below)*

Treasurer’s Report: *Balance as of 3-3-06 - \$15,127.32 (Winter Conference bills still need to be paid.)
(155 Registered Members)*

Old Business:

New Business: *Nominations for GCAPT Treasurer
Rodeo Information*

Committee Reports:

Program: *Winter Conference Overview – Bill Powell
Kathryn Cook – IDEA Update*

Sponsor/Presenter:

Adjourn:

Texas Pledge of Allegiance:

“Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible.”

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- *March 3-8* *Transporting Students With Disabilities & Preschoolers Conference, Exhibition & Special Needs Team Safety Roadeo, Orlando, FL*

- March 14* *Chapter Meeting Hosted by **Houston ISD**
Region IV Service Center
Sponsored by Thomas Bus Gulf Coast*

- March 31-April 3* *“Train the Trainer” Texas A&M*

- *April 11* *Chapter Meeting **Deer Park**
Safety Poster Contest
Sponsor – Chalk’s Truck Parts*

- April 20-21* *School Bus Accident Management, Documentation & Investigation
Region IV*

- April 22* *Regional **Roadeo**, Katy ISD*

- *May 9* *Chapter Meeting, **Humble ISD***

- *June 8-9* *Transporting Students with Disabilities: Bus Driver Training
Ft. Bend ISD 9:00 – 4:00*

- June 16-21* *TAPT Conference & Trade Show, South Padre Island*

- June 27* *Child Passenger Safety Training
Region IV*

- *July 7-10* *“Train the Trainer” Texas A&M*

- July 14-17* *“Train the Trainer” Rockwall*

- July 20-21* *School Bus Attendant Training
Region IV*

- July 21-24* *“Train the Trainer” Austin*

- July 28-31* *“Train the Trainer” El Paso*

For Train the Trainer info contact Margaret Helsema, TEEX, 979-845-6248.

Minutes from the January 2006 Meeting

- Call to Order:** President – Marisa Weisinger
- Invocation/Pledge:** Bob Peel, Assistant Director, Cy-Fair ISD
- Welcome & Intros:** Bill Kyser, Director of Transportation, Katy ISD
Scooter McMeans, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services, Katy ISD Schools
- Minutes:** Motion to accept by Cindy Freeman, Cy-Fair ISD; Second by Steve Loveless, Katy ISD Motion approved.
- Treasurer's Report:** Motion to accept by Donna Wagner, Channelview ISD; Second by Bill French, Cleveland ISD. Motion approved.
- Old Business:** None
- New Business:** VoTech Scholarship Raffle of BBQ Pit donated by Katy ISD
Winter Conference Information
- Committee Reports:** Kathryn Cook – Region IV – Handouts: School Bus Watch, Transporting Students w/ Disabilities, Speech Contest
Aaron Hobbs – TAPT – Executive Meeting (looking at the schedule of events), TAPT Scholarships, Employee of the Year submissions.
Harold Stence – TASBT
- Program:** Mike Robinson – Senate Bill 11 information and Handout
Tour of new Katy ISD Facility
- Program Sponsor:** Zonar
- Meeting Adjourned:** Motion by John Sides, Houston ISD; Second by Carol Diffy, Columbia-Brazoria ISD. Motion approved.
- Raffle Donations:** Winner – Bob Peel. Special thanks to Katy ISD for the raffle gifts.

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From Beltway 8, go South on 290 to Tidwell. Turn left under the freeway. Region IV will be on the right. Parking is in the back.

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