

GULF COAST CHAPTER

Texas Association for Pupil Transportation

2006 – 2007

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Date: May 2, 2007

To: Gulf Coast Chapter TAPT, Member Addressed

From: Brian Weisinger President
Sam Davila Vice President
Keith Kaup Secretary
Bill Conaway Treasurer
Marisa Weisinger Parliamentarian

Subject: **Gulf Coast Chapter TAPT May Meeting ~ May 8, 2007.**

International Trucks and Longhorn Bus Sales will sponsor the May 2007 meeting of the Gulf Coast TAPT Chapter on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 hosted by Humble ISD at the Humble Civic Center located at 8233 Will Clayton Parkway in Humble. (Please see directions below.) The meeting will start at 10:00 AM. The minutes of the April 2007 meeting are included below for your examination and review.

Agenda for May 2007

Call to Order: *Vice President – Sam Davila*

Invocation/Pledge:

Welcome and Introductions:

Program & Lunch Sponsor: International Trucks and Longhorn Bus Sales

Site Sponsor: Forward Edge

Minutes of Previous Meeting: *(see below)*

Treasurer's Report: *Balance as of May 1, 2007: \$5,305.91*
180 Paid Members to date

Old Business:

New Business:

Committee Reports:

Program: **Curtis Clay - Texas School Safety Center**

Adjourn:

Raffle basket: **TBA**



Texas Pledge of Allegiance

"Honor the Texas flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible."

Upcoming Meetings & Events

May

8 – Chapter Meeting, **Humble ISD (Humble Civic Center)**

**Sponsors – Longhorn Bus Sales,
International & Forward Edge**

23 – Child Passenger Safety Training, **Region IV ESC**

June

1-4 – TEEX Train the Trainer, **El Paso**

15-20 – TAPT Conference & Trade Show, **Waco**

July

6-9 – TEEX Train the Trainer, **Bryan**

For STATE School Bus Speech Contest Information, please contact Pam McCurdy, TxDPS, 254-759-7111
pam.mccurdy@txdps.state.tx.us

For REGIONAL School Bus Speech Contest Information, please contact Charley Kennington, Region IV ESC, 832-768-2723
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For Train the Trainer information, please contact Laura Wilson, TEEX, 979-862-3735.
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For Child Passenger Safety information, please contact Pam McCurdy, TxDPS, 254-759-7111
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For TASB safety information, please contact Chuck Kennedy, TASB Risk Management, 800-482-7276 x-6609
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Minutes from the April 2007 Meeting

- Call to Order:** President – Brian Weisinger
Attendance – 77
- Invocation/Pledge:** David Hoffman – Humble ISD
- Welcome and Introductions:** Jim Liggett – Deer Park ISD
- Minutes:** Motion by Aaron Hobbs – Houston ISD
Second by Carroll Dailey – Katy ISD
Motion passed
- Treasurer’s Report:** Motion by Raymond Vyoral – Cy-Fair ISD
Second by Jack Franklin – Pearland ISD
Motion passed
- Old Business:** There were no applications submitted for the GCAPT scholarship

Discussion of proposed amendments to GCAPT By-Laws – Keith Kaup
- New Business:** Voting by ballots on proposed amendments to GCAPT By-Laws
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| Proposition 1 | Adding the office of “President-Elect” to the Executive Committee and renaming “Parliamentarian” to “Ex-Officio”.
PASSED |
| Proposition 2 | Requiring a Road-e-o contestant to score at least 50% of the total possible score in their category in order to receive the per diem from GCAPT to attend the State competition.
PASSED |
- Presentation of nominees for the office of Treasurer and Secretary for 2007-2008 school year.
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| Treasurer | Martha Gainous – Houston ISD |
| Secretary | Angel Kersten – Columbia-Brazoria ISD |
- Open the floor for other nominations for these offices.
No nominations presented from the floor and the slate is closed.
Both candidates ran unopposed.
- GCAPT School Bus Safety Poster Contest Voting
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| Division I | 1 st | Columbia Brazoria ISD |
| | 2 nd | Dickinson ISD |
| | 3 rd | Alvin ISD |
| Division II | 1 st | Dickinson ISD |
| | 2 nd | Dickinson ISD |

	3 rd	Columbia Brazoria ISD
Division III	1 st	Cypress Fairbanks ISD
	2 nd	Columbia Brazoria ISD
	3 rd	Dickinson ISD
Division IV	1 st	Dickinson ISD
	2 nd	Columbia Brazoria ISD

Committee Reports:

- Sam Davila – GCAPT Road-e-o Chairman
Final announcements about Road-e-o
- Bill Powell (for Debi Schlutz) – GCAPT Special Needs Road-e-o
Final announcements about Road-e-o
- Charley Kennington – Region IV Transportation Services
Fleet surveys will be sent out to districts regarding evacuations
Focuses of the Transportation Services Division
 - GPS Tracking
 - Safety Audits
 - Training and Certification for various positions within Pupil Transportation
 - Texas Cooperative Purchasing Network through Region IV – looking at making the following available:
 - Fuel Coop
 - Charter Buses
 - Fleet Insurance
 - Cooperative purchasing for school buses
- Aaron Hobbs – TAPT Scholarships
We have 7 scholarships available – APPLY.
- Rhonda Davis – TAPT Area 3 Director
June Conference Reminder
Scholarships Available
Employee of the year nominations (due April 15)
Reminder to VOTE at Conference Tuesday in the Waco room at the convention center
Sat – Awards Buffet
Sun – Casino Night with vendors
Mon – Mix and Mingle
Tue – Banquet (Sunday Dress)
Road-e-o Meeting Thursday night
Competition Friday morning
Awards Saturday night
Amendment proposals to by-laws
 - Parliamentarian from appointed to elected position
 - Include new class of membership – Business Associate
 - Executive committee – Term of office change to 2 year staggered terms
- Brian Weisinger – Specifications Committee
Changes to the 2008 specifications:
 - Dual stop arm requirement on 47 passenger and larger buses
 - Performance specification on air conditioning rather than BTU rating
 - LED loading lights required

- Harold Stence – TASBT
Technician and Shop Foreman of the year applications due by May 3
- Deanna Wiggins – TAPT State Poster Contest
All is the same as in the past.
May 15 deadline for entries to be submitted by the regions
- Thomas Bus – Essay Contest (see email from Pam McCurdy)

Program:

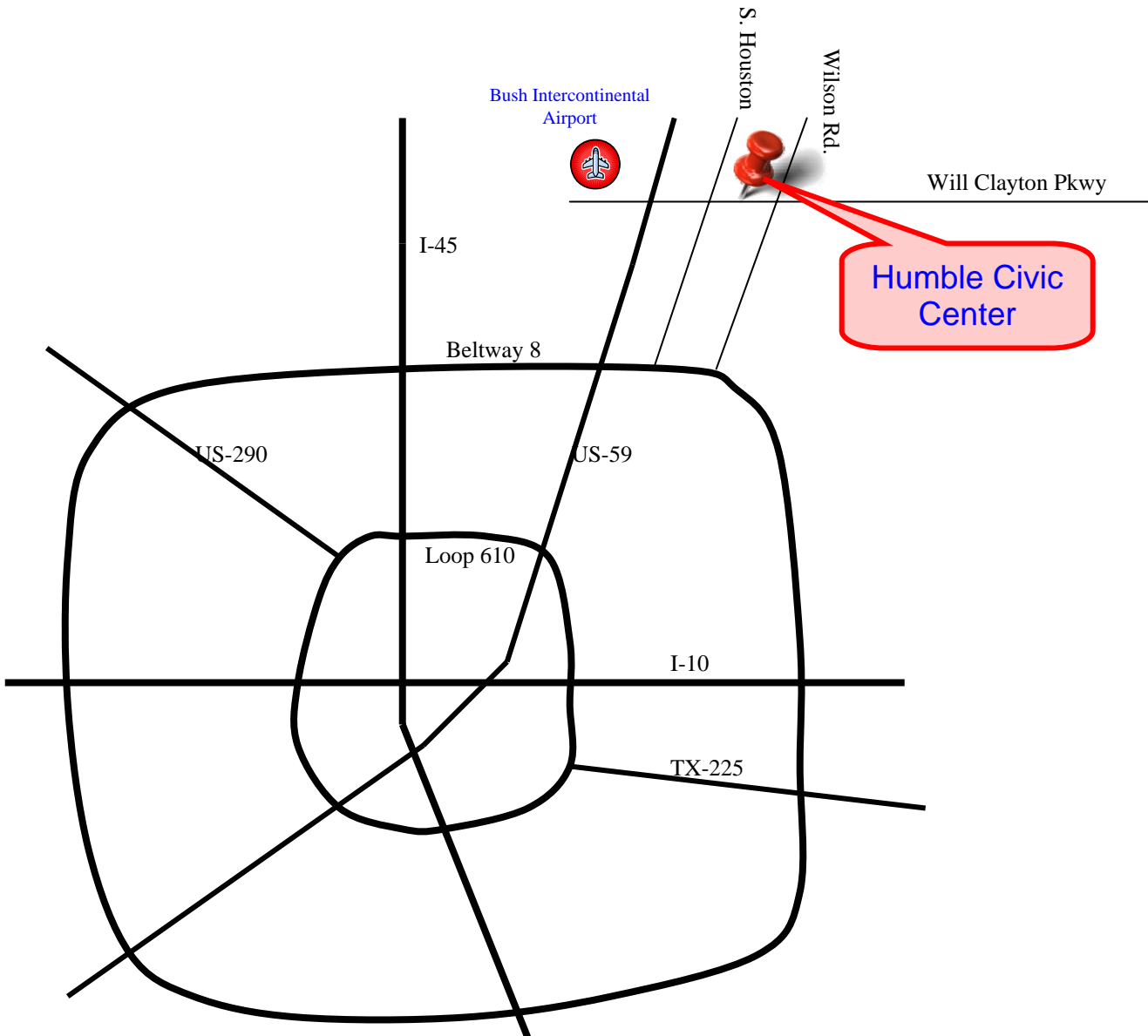
Program Sponsor: Ryan Clifford – 24/7 Surveillance

Introduction of 2007-2008 Executive Committee: Brian Weisinger
 President – Sam Davila, Conroe ISD
 President-Elect – Keith A. Kaup, Sheldon ISD
 Vice President – Bill Conaway, College Station ISD
 Secretary – Angel Kersten, Columbia Brazoria ISD
 Treasurer – Martha Gainous, Houston ISD
 Ex-Officio – Brian Weisinger, Spring ISD

Passing of Gavel: Brian Weisinger – presentation of gavel to Sam Davila

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Bill Powell – Cy-Fair ISD
 Second by Raymond Vyoral – Cy-Fair ISD
 Motion approved.

Raffle Donations: \$335 Collected toward the GCAPT Scholarship



Directions:

Take US 59 to Will Clayton Parkway Exit
Turn East on Will Clayton Parkway
Pass S. Houston Ave.
The Civic Center will be on the left.