



# TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

## Special Board Meeting

*November 7, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.*  
333 Guadalupe Street, Room 100  
Austin, Texas 78701

### MINUTES

- A. The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.
- B. Roll was called and a quorum was certified. Members present were Board Chair Ron Kitchens, Vice-Chair Charles Knobloch, P.G., J.D., Secretary/Treasurer Kelly Krenz-Doe, P.G., Tom Hallmark, P.G., Becky Johnson, P.G., Justin McNamee, Judy Reeves, P.G., Ph.D., and Barbara Roeling, P.G. Member Greg Ulmer, J.D. was absent.
- C. Regarding the proposed amendment to 22 Texas Administrative Code §851.10 and proposed new rules 22 TAC §§851.33 and 851.34, the Board unanimously approved an immediate withdrawal of these proposed rules in a vote of 8-0. Public comments regarding this item were offered by Bruce Darling, P.G., Ph.D.; Philip Bennett, P.G., Ph.D., on behalf of the Jackson School of Geosciences at the University of Texas; and Bill Stevens, on behalf of Texas Alliance of Energy Producers.
- D. Regarding Board-initiated Advisory Opinion Request (AOR #7) concerning the re-affirmation of the exemption of exploration and development of oil, gas, or other energy resources described in Section 1002.252 of the Texas Geoscience Practice Act, the Board unanimously approved posting the draft opinion to the Texas Register for public comment in a vote of 8-0.
- E. Public comments were offered at this time by Peter R. Rose, P.G., Ph.D., on behalf of himself and the Austin Geological Society; Dave Rensink, P.G.; Susan Havorka, P.G., Ph.D.; Richard Howe, P.G.; Matthew Cowan, P.G., on behalf of himself and the Texas Association of Professional Geoscientists and the Houston Geological Society; and Marc Maddox, P.G., on behalf of the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists.
- F. The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

  
Ron Kitchens, TBPG Chairman