

TELEA General Meeting
4/16/26

Call to Order

Roll Call: Garret Foskit, Randy Scales, Jennifer McDaniel, David Brannon, Andy Reyna, Paul Kowalik

Approval of Minutes –

David Brannon-Motion

Henry Porretto- Second

The vote was unanimous for approval of the minutes.

Treasurer Randy Scales- We started with \$29,000 at beginning of the conference, will update what was spent at next meeting. The room rate next year will be \$140-\$155. The dates for the next conference are April 4-8, 2027.

General Discussion

Garret Foskit asked everyone to vote on keeping the Hazwopper refresher. A member asked if it was possible to split into groups so members can go to Hazwopper and others can go to a different training class. It was mentioned that anyone that deals with environmental crimes needs this knowledge. Garret said we could keep it and break off into groups on a split day. A member asked if the refresher could be geared towards environmental and police because some officers do not have fire related jobs. TCOLE hours are given for the refresher. Some members inquired if the presenters can change the words fire to environmental, it would be ideal if our instructors catered to the environmental aspect of the conference instead of doing a canned presentation that they present at other conferences. We need to maximize environmental understanding that fire, LE, and Code are all interrelated when dealing with environmental. This conversation was had with members by Randy Scales, David Brannon, and Garret Foskit.

David Brannon stated we got a list of topics that the members suggested. Brannon announced that the Association is looking for presenters and to reach out if you know someone. If a member can present a class this will save the Association money.

List of suggested topics:

AI, Bess, Data Center, Drones, Criminal/Civil Search Warrants, EV/Battery recycling, Salvage Yards (chapter 7 343 and 341) Case Prep, Getting CA/DA on board, Grand Jury Presentation, District, County and JP Courts, Drone Search Warrant, Chapter 7, Used Oil, Chapter 7, Water pollution, Water Code Chapter 7

Garret Foskit is now a previous President and David Brannon is the new President. Randy Scales is treasurer, Jeff Allen is member at large, Jennifer McDaniel is secretary, Gavon Carson is member ship services, Paul Kowalik is VP of Bylaws and Donna Rippley is VP of legislative affairs.

Adjourn

Jeff Allen- Motion

Rafael Chacon- Second

The vote was unanimous for adjournment.

