



**TCOG Governing Board
Meeting Minutes**

Presiding Location: 1117 Gallagher Drive, Sherman, Texas
June 18, 2026

Members Present: Jim Atchison, Newt Cunningham, Karla McDonald, John Roane, Reggie Marr, Danny Powell, Kurt Fogelberg, Tommy Moore, Josh Marr, Debbie Barnes-Plyler

Members Absent: James Thorne, Scott Neu, Allen Sanders, Clay Barnett

A. Call to Order & Declaration of a Quorum

Vice-President Jim Atchison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and recognized a quorum.

B. Invocation and Pledges

Newt Cunningham provided the invocation, and Jim Atchison led the pledges.

C. Welcome Guests

Guests included: Eric Bridges (staff), Mindi Jones (staff), Beth Eggar (staff), Miranda Harp (staff), Emma Nelson (staff), Connor Sweet (staff), Vicky Hestand (staff), Edwina Lane, Michael Lane

D. Public Comment

Edwina Lane took a few moments to express her gratitude to the Governing Board and staff for all the hard work during 5 + years on the Board. Eric Bridges thanked Edwina for her support, guidance, and leadership and presented Edwina with an award

E. Induct New Governing Board Member

New Governing Board Members inducted included Tommy Moore (City of Gainesville), Kurt Fogelberg (Fannin County), Josh Marr (Grayson County), Reggie Marr (Grayson County), Karla McDonald (City of Howe), Debbie Barnes-Plyler (Grayson College)

F. Executive Directors Report

Eric Bridges' Executive Director's report included an overview of TCOG services and several educational/advocacy documents providing more detail on the depth and breadth of TCOG programs.

G. Approval of Minutes

John Roane made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for the May 21, 2026. Danny Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Action

1. A motion was made by Newt Cunningham to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations for Governing Board Officers as submitted:

Jim Atchison, Mayor, City of Van Alstyne (President)
Allen Sanderson, Mayor, City of Bonham (Vice-President)
Clay Barnett, Councilman, City of Sherman (Secretary/Treasurer)

The motion was seconded by Tommy Moore. The motion carried unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Karla McDonald to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations for appointments to the Audit & Finance Committee as submitted:

Allen Sanderson, Mayor, City of Bonham
Tommy Moore, Mayor, City of Gainesville
Clay Barnett, Councilman, City of Sherman

The motion was seconded by Debbie Barnes-Plyler. The motion carried unanimously.

3. A motion was made by Danny Powell to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations for appointments to the Human Resources Advisory Committee as submitted:

Newt Cunningham, County Judge, Fannin County
Scott Neu, Mayor, City of Lindsay
James Thorne, Councilman, City of Denison

The motion was seconded by John Roane. The motion carried unanimously.

With no other business Vice-President Atchison adjourned the meeting at 6:21p.