

MID-SIZE AGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (MACC)

Meeting Notes

Wednesday February 27, 2013 9 a.m. – Brown Heatly Room 1430

Welcome and Announcements

Brian White, MACC Chair, called the meeting to order and asked for everyone to introduce themselves.

Brian recommended sending an agency representative to all subcommittee meetings in case the LBB Analysts need additional information to answer legislator questions.

Reminder the Bill Filing Deadline is March 8, 2013.

Agenda Items

SAO Professional Development

<https://www.sao.state.tx.us/training/>

Jo Dale Guzman gave an update that the Annual Conference is set for June 24-25. The registration will be open soon. 14 hours of CPE credit will be available.

Overview of Texas State Agency Business Administrator's Association (TSABAA)

<http://www.tsabaa.com/>

Daniel Benjamin, President of TSABAA, gave a presentation on TSABAA. TSABAA provides quality training from noted experts offering professional growth and quality managerial, technical and self-improvement training. TSABAA holds annual conferences in the summer and winter as well as bi-monthly meetings.

The 44th Annual Summer Conference will be July 25-26, 2013 at the Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol. The agenda will be available in the next 2-3 weeks. This conference will have breakout sessions for more options.

Texas Public Employees Association (TPEA)

<http://www.tpea.org/>

Amy Chamberlain discussed the results of the TPEA employee survey and how this shaped the legislative proposals. The main proposals are:

1. **Salary** – A 2% across-the-board employee salary raise with an agency merit pool (1% of payroll).
2. **Healthcare Plan** – Preserve the state's current contribution policy.
3. **Retirement Plan** – Maintain the current Defined Benefit model and support appropriations for making the pension fund whole.

Employees can sign up for Email Action Alerts for updates on legislation affecting state employees at the TPEA website.

State Employee Appreciation Day is scheduled for 5PM April 11, 2013 at Scholz Garten.

Office of Injured Employee Counsel (OIEC)

<http://www.oiec.state.tx.us/>

The OIEC will have a stakeholder meeting on April 12, 2013 for revisions to the OIEC Employer Notification of Ombudsman Program to Employees poster.

The OIEC is maintaining a list of workers' compensation-related bills proposed in the 83rd legislature. This spreadsheet is available on their website.

Executive Women in Texas Government (EWTG)

<http://www.ewtg.org/>

Austin Woman's Club has monthly luncheons on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Joyce James, LMSW-AP, Associate Deputy Executive Commissioner, Texas Health and Human Services Commission will be speaking at the February 27, 2013 luncheon.

Department of Information Resources (DIR)

<http://www.dir.state.tx.us/>

DIR is tracking technology-related legislation at <http://www.dir.state.tx.us/pubs/Pages/83rdLegislature.aspx>

State Strategic Plan (SSP) for Information Resources Management will begin soon. The goal of this Plan is to provide a strategic direction for technology management in Texas. The Plan focuses on ten top priorities, outlining the reasons for their importance, their relevance to Texas agencies, and a roadmap toward their implementation.

Discussion with MACC Members

Brian White advised the next MACC meeting will be after the legislative session is over.

Brian White adjourned the meeting.