



MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Public Meeting held in person and videoconference

On February 24, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. CT

Pursuant to Texas Govt. Code 551.127 – COVID-19 circumstances

<u>Committee Members</u>	<u>Other Board Trustees</u>	<u>Others Present:</u>
<u>Present/ (Absent)</u>	<u>Present/ (Absent)</u>	<i>Staff</i>
Kelly Crook, Committee Chair	Anthony Ross	Christopher Hanson
Yuejiao Liu†	Diana Thomas* (Michael Granof)	Sarah McCleary
Leslie Pool†	Dick Lavine* (Brad Sinclair)	Jenni Bonds
	Amy Hunter*	Mehrin Rahman*
Present telephonically	Chris Noak	Michelle Mahaini
† Present via videoconference	(Michael Benson)	Yun Quintanilla*
		Russell Nash
		Amy Kelley*
		David Kushner
	<i>Guests</i>	
	Paige Saenz, General Counsel	
	Eddie Solis, HillCo	
	Selena Xie, Austin EMS Association	
	Lewis Ward, GRS Consulting*	

1 Call roll of Committee members

Committee Chair Kelly Crook called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. The following Committee members were present in person: Crook. The following Committee members were present via videoconference: Pool and Liu.

Committee Chair Crook asked if there were any members of the public who wished to speak, either now or during an agenda item.

2 Review order of business and establish meeting objectives

Committee Chair Crook reviewed the order of business and objectives with the Committee. There were no changes to the order of business for the meeting.

Leslie Pool was off-camera from 4:13 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.

3 Consider approval of the November 10, 2022 Legislative Committee minutes

Committee Chair Crook asked Trustees to review the November 10, 2022 minutes. Ms. Yuejiao Liu moved to approve the November 10, 2022 Legislative Committee minutes as revised. Committee Chair Crook seconded, and the motion passed 2-0.

4 Discuss and consider 2023 Legislative Committee Work Plan

Mr. Christopher Hanson outlined the Legislative Committee's Work Plan, noting that changes or called meetings may be necessary during Session.

5 Discuss and consider 88th Legislative Session including: A. COAERS/City of Austin legislation

Mr. Hanson reviewed the final changes that had been agreed upon and reported on the status of the legislation. He reviewed the paths that the bill may take in the legislature.

B. Other legislation impacting COAERS including HB 2068

Mr. Eddie Solis reported on legislation that has been proposed that would affect COAERS.

Committee Chair Crook returned to agenda item #5A to recognize a COAERS member who was in attendance. Ms. Selena Xie requested that the Committee consider changes to the proposed legislation regarding service purchases including applying the changes to new hires thus allowing current members to continue purchases under current practices.

6 Review key meeting takeaways and call for future agenda items

Committee Chair Crook summarized the actions taken and the information discussed during the meeting and asked for any future agenda items.

As there were no further items to address, the meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the June 15, 2023 meeting