

Conference Program

Friday, December 9th

8:00 – 8:30 am TAMS Executive Committee Meeting (Officers) – Bandera Room

8:30 – 10:30 am TAMS Board Meeting in Bandera Room

9:30 – 10:30 am TARS Meeting in Brady Room

9:00 am – Noon Registration in Fredericksburg Foyer

All sessions on Friday and Saturday will be held in the Fredericksburg Ballroom

11:00 am – 12:30 pm Early Bird Bonus Session

Topic: **Analyzing the Template: Tips, Tools, and Techniques**

Presenter: Omar Garcia

12:45 – 2:00 pm

Topic: **Legal Overview of School Finance
Update on Lawsuits**

Presenters: David Thompson, Thompson & Horton LLP
The Honorable F. Scott McCown, CPPP Executive Director

2:00 – 3:15 pm

Topic: **Legislative Overview of School Finance:
State's Responsibility to Fund Public Education
Ramifications of Budget Cuts
Where Do We Go From Here**

Presenters: The Honorable Jimmie Don Aycock, HD 54
The Honorable Donna Howard, HD 48
The Honorable Diane Patrick, HD 94
Ida Garcia, Legislative Director and General Counsel for
Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, SD 26

Moderator: Marty De Leon, Escamilla & Poneck, Inc.

3:15 – 3:30 pm

Break

3:30 – 4:45 pm

Topic: **Budget Cuts, Taxes, and Future of Public Education:
The Business Community's Perspective
Political Fall Out**

Presenters: David Anthony, Raise Your Hand Texas
Carolyn Boyle, Parent PAC

Moderator: Mary Ann Whiteker, Superintendent Hudson ISD

4:45 – 5:30 pm

Reception: **Sponsors Exhibits Viewing and Hospitality Reception**
Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar

Saturday, December 10th

7:30 – 9:00 am

Breakfast Program: State Board of Education

Presenter: The Honorable Thomas Ratliff, SBOE District 9

9:00 – 10:00 am

Topic: **Major Issues and Challenges**

Presenters: Keith Bryant, Superintendent Bullard ISD & TAMS President
Ken McCraw, TACS Executive Director
Bill Grusendorf, TARS Executive Director
Don Rogers, TREA Executive Director
Kyle Wargo, Region XVII Executive Director

10:00 – 10:45 am

Topic: **Equity & Adequacy**

Presenter: The Honorable Bob Deuell, SD 2

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