



# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Thomas E. Taylor, Executive Director  
**DATE:** April 28, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** Board of Directors Meeting - - May 4, 2017



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**Meeting Place:** Upper Trinity Regional Water District  
Board Meeting Room  
900 N. Kealy  
Lewisville, TX 75057

**Date:** Thursday, May 4, 2017

**Board Meeting:** 12:30 P.M.

**Notice:** For the required quorum, your presence is very important. However, if you cannot attend, please contact Nancy Tam by email: [ntam@utrwd.com](mailto:ntam@utrwd.com) or by telephone at 214-538-8602, as soon as possible.

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## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT.

This month marks my final meeting as Board President and as Celina's representative on the Board. Thank you so much for these past two years at the head of the table. It's been my pleasure to serve alongside Tom, his staff, and this Board. I have learned a tremendous amount, not only about the water business, but about organizational excellence in general. The new slate of officers being recommended by the current Officers is as follows:

Chris Boyd—President  
Gary Calmes--Vice-President

Ramiro Lopez—Treasurer  
Kenneth Parr--Secretary

I look forward to seeing everyone the first week in May.

- - Lance Vanzant, President

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**Legislature in Session.** While the Legislature is in session, it pays to be alert. An enormous number of bills have been introduced, and a few are of interest to Upper Trinity and other regional systems. Therefore, staff is coordinating with other systems for maximum coverage and effectiveness. We participate in weekly conference calls and keep each other informed – and as appropriate, pass along comments to seek change or input. We are following several bills that

have the potential to help or hinder Upper Trinity's regional programs – but, thankfully, none of the bills are “do or die” for us.

**Sick Bay.** An update on key employees who are off duty for medical reasons:

- A. Tom (“Chief”) Snyder, our Director of Engineering, is scheduled for surgery regarding a neck injury.
- B. Doug Franklin – Doug, serves in a key post as Upper Trinity's Field Representative for the Lake Ralph Hall Project. He recently had a heart attack and is now recovering.

**Update on Mustang / Aubrey Agreement.** A proposal for Mustang to assume the City's contract with Upper Trinity and to serve the new Winn Ridge development has been approved by both parties. The next step is for Mustang to submit a request for Upper Trinity to authorize assignment of the contract for participation in the Riverbend Plant expansion. Chris Boyd has advised that a request would be submitted soon.

**Drinking Water Week will be celebrated May 7 – May 13, 2017.** For more than 35, years the American Water Works Association and its members have celebrated Drinking Water Week – a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to join together in recognizing the vital role water plays in our daily lives. Upper Trinity encourages our member and customer cities to participate in Drinking Water Week. Free information and materials are available for download, including logos, official proclamations, and social media posts at <https://www.awwa.org/resources-tools/public-affairs/public-affairs-events/drinking-water-week.aspx#15548459-celebration-ideas>. Please see the enclosed drawing from “Kids Corner” for Dallas Water Utilities.

### **BOARD MEETING**

Enclosed is the agenda for the May 4, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Data Sheets for action items and other related information. Please contact me or the appropriate staff person if you have any questions.



# Save Dallas Water

Nothing can replace it.



# KID'S CORNER

We have fun things to do and lots of ideas on saving water.

Español



Dallas Water Conservation offers several contests every year for Dallas children. The Elementary School Poster Contest, Middle School T-Shirt Contest and High School Visual Arts Contest are held during the school year and are open to all City of Dallas students in any school district, private school or those who may be home-schooled. We also have a contest every summer for kids! All contests have prizes and recognition for the winners.

## 2017 School Contests Winners

### 2017 Drinking Water Week Poster Contest Grand Prize Winner



Kelton Chen – 3rd Grade – Dallas Arts Studio – Dallas, Texas