

11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
NEW MEMBER PRE-ORIENTATION
Woodward Hotel, Executive Learning Center, Austin, Texas
July 10, 2006

- A. The pre-orientation agenda was designed for new members of the 11th TSHL. There was also a Training Intensive on grant writing at 1:00 pm, conducted by John Holcomb. At 4:30 pm, the 10th TSHL Executive Committee met for its final meeting.
- B. The Pre-Orientation of new members convened at 1:00 pm with welcome comments by Speaker Chris Kyker. She indicated that there were 42 new members in the class of 2006. Fred Bell, Moderator and Chairman of the Training Committee gave a preview of the events for the remainder of the pre-orientation session. Bobby Southwood, Chairman of the Education Committee led a get acquainted session.
- C. Training sessions were as follows:
- TSHL, the Beginning, by Paula Johnson, former TSHL Foundation Board member and new member of TSHL
 - TSHL Official Documents and Organization by Al Campbell, TSHL Secretary and Barbara Effenberger, TSHL Comptroller
 - TSHL Foundation by Charlotte Parks, Deputy Speaker Pro Tem and member of TSHL Foundation Board and Pat Porter, Secretary of Operations, Technology Committees and Chair, TSHL Foundation Fund Raising/Events
 - Role of Area Agency on Aging by Glenda Rogers, President, T4A
 - Ethics and Protocol by Ed Dylla, Training Committee member
 - TSHL Resolution Development by Carlos Higgins, Speaker Pro Tem
 - Community Relations by Walter Graham, Training Committee member
- D. At 5:30 p.m. a buffet dinner was held in honor of the new members. After the dinner there were additional training sessions:
- Speakers Bureau by Ed Dylla
 - TSHL website & how to use it by Oscar Garcia, Chair, Technology Committee and Pat Porter, Member, Technology Committee
- E. At the conclusion of this session Fred Bell held a question and answer session, followed by opening of the Hospitality Room
- F. On Tuesday July 11 following a "walk with Walter" There was a new member and training mentors breakfast at 7:00 a.m. This was followed by a Question and Answer period led by Fred Bell from 8:30-9:00. (See Exhibit A for Pre-Orientation Agenda)

Submitted,


Secretary

11TH TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE
ORIENTATION
Woodward Hotel – Austin, Texas

Day 1, Tuesday, July 11, 2006
PLENARY SESSION
LBJ room, Woodward Hotel

- A. Speaker Chris Kyker called the PLENARY SESSION to order by at 10:00 am. Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux led the Invocation, Glen Provost, member-at-large, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. and Texas Flags. Secretary Al Campbell called the roll and established a quorum with 86 members in attendance. Speaker Kyker introduced Lu Russell, Parliamentarian and Elmer Ingle, Sergeant-at-Arms. The Speaker discussed the new category of members-at-large and announced the new members-at-large: John Giovannini, Galveston; Richard Landry, Conroe; Linda Parrish, College Station; Glen Provost, Hemphill; Ralph O'Dell, Celina and Claude Williamson, Vidor.
- B. Adoption of Orientation Agenda. Speaker Kyker asked that the agenda be amended for the Closing Session, July 14 to change agenda item B to Standing Committee Reports. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the Orientation Agenda with the amendment. Motion Carried. (Exhibit B)
- C. Report, 10th TSHL Executive Committee Meeting. Speaker Kyker reported on the final meeting of the 10th TSHL Executive Committee held on July 10. She indicated that a resolution of appreciation for the work and support of the Area Agency on Aging had passed. The Executive Committee approved the structuring of an amendment, which would establish a "shield" to protect the AAA's, AAA employees and Election Steering Committees from lawsuits by TSHL incumbents or candidates. Ralph O'Dell was approved as a Member at Large. Finally, candidates for TSHL offices will not place campaign materials in members packets or display them on the registration table.
- D. Consideration of Orientation Rules. Since the rules had not been distributed, this item was postponed. Later they were distributed, and it was moved by Oscar Garcia and seconded that the rules be approved. Motion passed. (Exhibit C)
- E. Keynote Address. Speaker Kyker introduced DADS Commissioner Adelaide Horn. She indicated that DADS has been a great support to the TSHL and printed the 11th TSHL Official Documents. A Standing ovation was given for Commissioner Horn. The Commissioner discussed some of the changes that have occurred in DADS including personnel changes, which included the new Assistant Commissioner for Access and Intake, an old friend and supporter - Gary Jessee. Commissioner Horn discussed the role of the TSHL and the importance of the things we do for the Seniors of Texas. She raised a number of questions and issues for aging in Texas and through the White House Conference on Aging, issues at the National Level. Commissioner Horn emphasized the help and services including research that DADS could provide to members of the TSHL. After a question and answer period, Commissioner Horn expressed her appreciation to Speaker Kyker for her leadership and enthusiasm and presented her a lapel pin.
- F. Report, Interim Studies. Speaker Kyker asked that Legislative Issue Committees include a discussion of interim studies on their meeting agendas.
- G. Overview of Training. Fred Bell, Chair, Training Committee, stressed the importance of filling out the evaluation forms each day and urged members to sign up for the classes on Thursday
- H. Announcements. Operations Chair, Elsie Whiteside announced time and place for taking ID photographs and committee assignments. She announced the hours for the Hospitality

Room. Al Campbell stressed the importance of filling out Form 201 for emergency information.. Homer Lear indicated that the TSHL pins are available for ordering and a sign up sheet is available at the registration table.

- I. Speakers Comments. Speaker Kyker reminded members of the initial meeting of Administrative Committees 1:00-2:30 p.m. and Legislative Issue Committee, 3:00-4:30 p. m. She announced that committee meetings will be followed by a Get Acquainted Social at 5:30 p.m and a Dinner Meeting where the Candidates for TSHL Offices will be given three minutes to present campaign speeches.
- J. The Session adjourned at 12:00 noon for lunch in the Townlake room.

2nd Session, July 11, 2006
Dinner Meeting, Townlake Room

- A. Speaker Kyker called the Dinner Meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Dick Landry, member-at-large, gave the Invocation. Guests were introduced at each table.
- B. Introduction of Candidates and Speeches. Narris Braly, Chairman, Elections and Credentials, served as moderator for this session where Candidates gave three-minute campaign speeches. Speeches were given by: Carlos Higgins, Candidate for Secretary; David Baltimore, Jim Brisbin and Albert Campbell, Candidates for Comptroller; Callie Ragan, Betty Streckfuss and Elsie Whiteside, Candidates for Deputy Speaker Pro Tem. Oscar Garcia, Tom Perkins and Brigitte Rogers for Speaker Pro Tem and Charlotte Parks and Pat Porter for Speaker.
- C. Announcements. Narris Braly, discussed the voting procedure to be conducted at the Capitol on July 12. Fred Bell and Elsie Whiteside made announcements concerning the schedule for July 12.
- D. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Day 2, Wednesday July 12, 2006
OPENING SESSION
House Chambers, Texas House of Representatives

- A. Speaker Chris Kyker called the OPENING SESSION to order at 10:00 a.m. The Travis County Sheriff Honor Guard presented the Colors. Jake Narramore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. and Texas Flags. Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux led the invocation. Secretary Al Campbell called the Roll. There were 90 members in attendance. A quorum was declared.
- B. Introduction of Guests. Speaker Pro Tem Carlos Higgins introduced guests, which included Secretary Of State Roger Williams. Speaker Kyker introduced Representative Bob Hunter

and Jetta Roberts introduced Representative Norma Chavez. Both Legislators welcomed TSHL to the House.

- C. Swearing In Ceremony and Oath of Office. Secretary of State Roger Williams conducted the swearing in ceremony for the 11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature. Ninety members were administered the Oath of Office. Secretary Williams made comments of appreciation for the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.
- D. Introduction of Candidates for Brief Speeches. Narris Braly, Election Administrator, introduced the Candidates. Each of the following candidates gave two minute campaign speeches: Carlos Higgins for the Office of Secretary, David Baltimore, Jim Brisbin and Albert Campbell for Comptroller, Callie Ragon, Betty Streckfuss and Elsie Whiteside for Deputy Speaker Pro Tem, and Charlotte Parks and Pat Porter for Speaker.
- E. Speaker Kyker recessed the legislature at 11:20 a.m for lunch, group photograph and to visit legislative offices in the Capitol. She announced the Opening Session would reconvene at 1:30 pm to elect officers. The meeting time was advanced from the 2:30 pm due to the possibility of a run off election for three positions.

Afternoon Session, July 12, 2006
House Chambers, Texas House of Representatives

- F. Speaker Kyker called the afternoon meeting of the Opening Session to order at 1:30 pm. Secretary Al Campbell called the roll. There were 89 members in attendance. A Quorum was declared.
- G. Election of TSHL State Officers. Narris Braly, Election Administrator, reviewed the election rules and announced the election team: Willie Boone, Election Judge; Election clerks: Harthia Bockmon, Charlyne Elliott and Alan Abraham. The Election team distributed and collected ballots. Speaker Kyker recessed the session until votes could be counted and determined if a run-off would be conducted. After some time it was announced that no “run off” elections were required. All of the leading candidates had received 50% of the total vote plus one or more.
- H. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

2nd Session, July 12, 2006
Celebration Dinner, Townlake Room, Woodward Hotel

- A. The meeting was called to order by Speaker Emeritus Homer Lear at 6:00 p.m. in the Townlake room of the Woodward Hotel. The Invocation was led by Speaker Emeritus Gaston West. Guests were introduced.
- B. The Election Administrator, Narris Braly announced the results of the TSHL officer Election as follows:
 - Secretary – Carlos Higgins
 - Comptroller - Albert Campbell
 - Deputy Speaker Pro Tem - Betty Streckfuss
 - Speaker Pro Tem – Oscar Garcia
 - Speaker – Charlotte Parks

- B. Speaker Emeritus Homer Lear and Speaker Emeritus Gaston West presented each officer with a Certificate of Election. Both Speakers made comments to the new officers
- E. The new Speaker, Charlotte Parks spoke briefly of her thanks and of her aspirations for the 11 TSHL.
- F. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

3rd Session, July 12, 2006

LIC Meetings in Assigned Suites and Rooms

The meeting of the Legislative Issues Committees met at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of electing officers.

Day 3, July 13, 2006
Woodward Hotel

The Administrative Committees met from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. to elect officers and make plans for the upcoming Legislative session.

1st Session July 13, 2006
GENERAL SESSION,
LBJ Room, Woodward

- A. Speaker Chris Kyker called the GENERAL SESSION to order In the LBJ Room of the Woodward Hotel at 10:30 a.m. Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux led the invocation. Chester Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. and Texas Flags. Secretary Al Campbell called the Roll. There were 80 members in attendance. A quorum was declared.
- B. Speaker Kyker introduced special guests from DADS, which included Gary Jessee, Jimmie Perez, Michael Wilson and Barrett Markland.

- C. Panel Discussion of Aging Issues. Speaker Pro-Tem Carlos Higgins moderated a panel discussion by DADS personnel on aging issues including topics on WHCoA follow-up forums, DADS policy analysis and support, policy innovation, school tax reform; and reauthorization of the Older American's Act. Panel members were: Gary Jessee, Assistant Commissioner, Access and Intake; Jimmie Perez, Policy Analysis and Support; Michael Wilson, Director, Aging Texas Well Initiative, Center for Policy and Innovation.
- D. Comments by Legislative Action Committee Chair. Carlos Higgins, newly appointed LAC chair, made a number of comments concerning the goals for the newly elected Legislative Action Committee. He announced procedures for filing resolutions.
- E. Announcements. Operations Chair Elsie Whiteside and Training Chair Fred Bell made announcements relating to photographs and the training schedule for the afternoon session.
- F. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon for lunch in the Townlake room.

Afternoon Training Workshops, July 13, 2006

Training Workshops were held from 1:00-1:45 p.m. as follows

- Newly elected LIC & Administrative Committee Chairs, conducted by 10th TSHL Officers
- Community Relationships by Walter Graham
- Leadership Styles by Pete Hinojosa
- Advocacy by Bruce Bower

Training Workshops on Community Relationships, Leadership Styles and Advocacy were repeated from 3:00-4:45 p.m. An additional workshop for 11th TSHL Officers was conducted by the 10th TSHL officers. The workshop for new committee chairs was not repeated.

2nd Session, July 13, 2006 Awards Dinner Townlake Room, Woodward

- A. Walter Graham served as the Master of Ceremonies for the Awards Dinner, which was sponsored by AT&T and convened at 6:00 pm, Townlake room, Woodward. Alan Abraham gave the Invocation. Special guests were introduced, including Jim Hine, TSHL Foundation Treasurer, Thomas Chapman, former Commissioner, Department of Family and Protective Services and Michael Crowe, Board member TSHL Foundation. Mr. Graham recognized Susan Merrick, who serves as vice chair of the TSHL Foundation and Director, AT&T External Affairs. Ms Merrick expressed her appreciation of TSHL and made brief comments regarding upcoming legislation and concerns within the communications industry.
- B. Following dinner, Walter Graham introduced The Honorable Elliott Naishtat, Representative from District 49 in Travis County who gave a lively and informative speech. He was greeted with a standing ovation and received the same at the end of his presentation.
- C. Susan Merrick presented a special award from the TSHL Foundation to Paula Johnson for her service to the TSHL Foundation, including her work in forming the organization while on the staff of the Department on Aging and her many years of work as Executive Director of

the TSHL Foundation. She is now a member of the TSHL. Paula received a standing ovation.

- D. Speaker Kyker presented special gifts and her thanks to the outgoing officers of TSHL including Carlos Higgins, Speaker pro tem; Charlotte Parks, Deputy Speaker Pro Tem; Albert Campbell, Secretary and Barbara Effenberger, Comptroller. She also recognized the special work of the adhoc committee chairs, Oscar Garcia, Fred Bell and Al Campbell, Parliamentarian Lu Russell, Sergeant-at-Arms Elmer Ingle and Chaplain and Editor of the Silver Bulletin, Ivan Arceneaux.
- E. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Following dinner, the Legislative Action Committee met to plan for the 11th TSHL Legislative Session.

Day 4, July 14, 2006
CLOSING SESSION
Townlake Room, Woodward

- A. Speaker Kyker called the CLOSING SESSION to order at 8:30 a.m. In the Townlake Room of the Woodward Hotel. Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux led the Invocation. Linda Parrish, member-at-large, gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. and Texas Flags. Secretary Al Campbell called the roll. There were 61 members present. A quorum was declared. Guests were introduced
- B. Committee Reports. The Committee reports and leadership personnel were named by the newly elected Chairpersons:

Administrative Committees

- Communication: Chair, Dolores Tousignant; V. Chair, Linda Parrish; Secretary, Ray George
- Election and Credentials: Chair, Walter Graham; V. Chair, Jim Brisbin; Secretary, Charlyne Elliott
- Finance: Chair, David Baltimore; V. Chair, Harvey Fredriksson; Secretary, Gloria Ashford
- Operations: Chair, Ralph O'Dell; V. Chair, Barbara Effenberger; Secretary, Gail Johnson

- Legislative Action Committee: Chair, Carlos Higgins; V. Chair, Homer Lear; Secretary, Pat Porter

Legislative Issues Committees

- Criminal Justice: Chair, Art Olson; V. Chair, Elsie Whiteside; Secretary, Bill Bugelhoff
- Education: Chair, Bobby Southwood; V. Chair, Lynn Crisp; Secretary, Linda Parrish
- General: Chair, Maurice Osborn; V. Chair, Jane Lanier; Secretary, Anne Mazone
- Health and Human Resources: Chair, Glen Provost; V. Chair, Margaret Williamson; Secretary, Betty Kildahl
- Human Services: Chair, Adalaide C. Balaban; V. Chair, Ruth Bowling; Secretary, Elinor Pape
- Insurance: Chair, Pete Hinojosa, Sr; V. Chair, Arlie Ray Horn ; Secretary, vacant
- Retirement and Aging: Chair, Brigitte Rogers; V. Chair, Harthia Bockmon, Secretary, Betty Trotter
- State Affairs: Chair, Glen Peterson; V. Chair, Jack Holcomb; Secretary, Don Avery
- Utilities and Natural Resources: Chair, Richard Landry; V. Chair, Jack Sanderson; Secretary, Jane Nelson

C. Special Committees. Short reports were given by the 10th TSHL Special Committees chairmen including: Al Campbell, Strategic Planning; Oscar Garcia, Technology and Fred Bell, Training. Fred bell is retiring from the TSHL this session and was given a standing ovation for his work as leader of the Training Committee. It was reported that his committee was established only four years ago in order to meet some of the goals and strategies in the Strategic Plan and has assumed and conquered monumental tasks in the development of the TSHL Much of the success can be attributed to its Chairman, Fred Bell.

D. Installation of New Officers. The formal installation of the new officers and oath of office were administered by outgoing Speaker Kyker. Each officer was presented with a lapel pin from each of the outgoing officers:

Secretary Carlos Higgins by Al Campbell
 Comptroller Al Campbell by Barbara Effenberger
 Deputy Speaker Pro Tem Betty Struckfuss by Charlotte Parks
 Speaker Pro Tem Oscar Garcia by Carlos Higgins
 Speaker Charlotte Parks by Chris Kyker

E. Passing the Gavel Ceremony. Speaker Kyker read the inscription on the gavel which had been presented by Pete Laney, Speaker, Texas House of Representatives, on September 9, 1996 to Speaker Emeritus Homer Lear 1994-1998 and succeeding Speakers: Gaston West, 1998-2002 and Chris Kyker 2002-2006. At 10:20 a.m. Speaker Kyker stated: "It is now my distinct honor to pass this gavel with all the authority and duty that this gavel represents to Charlotte Parks. May I present your Speaker, The Honorable Charlotte Parks."

Speaker Charlotte Parks formally received the gavel and presided. She announced the 11th TSHL Executive Committee meeting for 12:00 noon, July 14, announced the deadline to receive resolutions, August 24, 2006, and called for the 11th TSHL Legislative Session to convene in the House Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 11, 2006. Speaker Parks announced that she had appointed Jack Holcomb as the new Chair of the Training Committee. She then recognized outgoing Speaker Kyker for closing remarks.

F. Closing Remarks. Outgoing Speaker Kyker stated: "When he was in his 90s, playwright George Bernard Shaw wrote: 'I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and

as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can . . . Life is no 'brief candle' to me. It is a sort of splendid torch which I have got hold of for a moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations.' I carry this statement in my billfold so I won't forget why I am on this earth -- to love and to serve one another. It's been a joy to serve as your Speaker these four years during the last third of my life. God willing I will continue to serve with you and the boomers who have joined us as we carry out our mission to represent 3 million older Texans." The members gave her a standing ovation.

G. Speaker Parks called on Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux for the Benediction. He presented the Speaker a rare book of prayers from his collection.

H. Outgoing Speaker Kyker made the motion to adjourn SINE DAI. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Submitted,



Secretary
July 25, 2006

Exhibit A – Pre-Orientation Agenda, July 10, 2006

Exhibit B - Orientation Agenda, July 11-14, 2006

**11th TSHL Pre-Orientation Session
Woodward Hotel and Conference Center
July 10, 2006**

EXHIBIT A

Monday, July 10, 2006 – Pre-Orientation for New Members

9:00-1:00 pm Mew member registration – Shoal Creek Room

10:00-11:30 am Training Committee Meeting, Executive Learning Center

1:00-4:00 pm Grant Writing Intensive, pre-registration required – John Holcomb, Suite 146

4:30-5:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting, Executive Learning Center

Pre-Orientation for New Members, Executive Learning Center

1:00 pm Welcome & Comments - Chris Kyker, Speaker, TSHL_

Get Acquainted icebreaker – Bobby Southwood, Chair, TSHL Education Committee

Overview of TSHL – Fred Bell, Chair, Training Committee, moderator,

- TSHL, the beginning – Paula Johnson, former Treasurer, TSHL Foundation
- TSHL Official Documents - Al Campbell, TSHL Secretary
- TSHL Organization - Barbara Effenberger, TSHL Comptroller
- TSHL Foundation - Charlotte Parks, TSHL Deputy Speaker Pro Tem & Pat Porter, Chair, TSHL Foundation Fundraising/Events Committee
- Role of Area Agencies on Aging Glenda Rogers, President T4A

Ethics and Protocol Ed Dylla, TSHL Training Committee

3:15-3:30 Break

Community Relations – Walter Graham, TSHL Training Committee

TSHL Resolution Development - Carlos Higgins, Speaker Pro tem

4:45 – 5:30 pm Break

5:30 pm Buffet Dinner for New Members and Training Mentors- Town Lake Room

Master of Ceremonies - Fred Bell, Chair, Training Committee

Invocation – Pete Hinojosa

Get Acquainted Mixer- Walter Graham, TSHL Training Committee

6:30 – 8:00 pm New member Training - Town Lake room
 Speakers Bureau –Ed Dylla, TSHL Training Committee
 TSHL Website & how to use it - Oscar Garcia, Chair, Technology Committee; Pat Porter, TSHL
 Technology Committee and Secretary, Operations,
 Q&A – Fred Bell, Chair, Training Committee
8:30 – 10:00 pm – Hospitality room open, Suite 152

Tuesday, July 11, 2006 – First Day of the Session

6:00 am	Walk with Walter
7:00 am	New Member Breakfast and Training Mentors, Townlake Room
8:30 am	Q&A, New Members, Townlake Room
8:00-10:00 am	Registration, Shoal Creek
8:00 -12 noon	ID Photographs, Townlake (South West Corner)
10:00 – 12 noon	Plenary Session, LBJ Room
12 noon	Lunch, Townlake
1:00-2:30 pm	Initial meeting of Administrative Committees
3:00-4:45 pm	Initial meeting of Legislative Issues Committees
5:30 pm	Get acquainted social and Meet the Candidates, Townlake room
6:30 pm	Dinner Meeting, Townlake
8:30-10:00 pm	Hospitality, Suite 152

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EXHIBIT B

**PLENARY SESSION
 Tuesday, July 11, 2006
 LBJ Room
 10:00 am – 12 noon**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- A. Call To Order, Chris Kyker, Speaker
 - Invocation, Ivan Arceneaux, TSHL Chaplain
 - Pledge of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags, Glen Provost, Member-at-Large
 - Roll Call and Establish Quorum, Al Campbell, Secretary
 - Introduction of Parliamentarian, Lu Russell and Sergeant-at-Arms, Elmer Ingle
- B. Adoption of Orientation Session Agenda
- C. Report, TSHL Executive Committee meeting, July 10, 2006
- D. Adoption of Orientation Session Rules
- E. Keynote Speaker, DADS Commissioner Adelaide Horn
- F. Report, Interim Studies, Legislative Issue Committees
- G. Overview of Training, Fred Bell, Chair, Training Committee
- H. Announcements, Elsie Whiteside, Chair, Operations Committee
- I. Speaker Comments

J. Adjourn

12:00 pm Lunch, Townlake Room

1:00 – 2:30 pm Initial Meeting of Administrative Committees

Finance	Lake Austin
Election & Credentials	Lake Travis
Communication	Lake LBJ
Operations	Shoal Creek

3:00 – 4:30 pm Initial Meeting of Legislative Issues Committees

Criminal Justice	Suite 146
Education	Suite 176
General	Suite 160
Health & Human Resources	Suite 170
Human Services	Suite 156
Insurance	Suite 154
Retirement & Aging	Suite 158
State Affairs	Suite 162
Utilities & Natural Resources	Lake Austin

5:30 pm - Get acquainted social and Meet the Candidates, Townlake room

6:30 pm - Dinner Meeting, Townlake

8:30 – 10:00 pm – Hospitality, Suite 152

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
Candidates Reception and Dinner Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2006
Townlake Room, Woodward
5:30 – 8:30 pm**

Tentative Agenda

5:30 – 6:30 pm Reception

6:30 – 8:30 pm Dinner Meeting

A. Call To Order – Chris Kyker, Speaker

- Invocation – Dick Landry, Member-at-Large
- Introduction of Guests
- Dinner

B. Introduction of Candidates – Narris Braly, Chair, Election and Credentials

C. Speeches by Candidates (limited to 3 minutes)

- Secretary – Carlos Higgins

- Comptroller – David Baltimore, Jim Brisbin and Albert Campbell
- Deputy Speaker Pro Tem – Callie Ragon, Betty Streckfuss, and Elsie Whiteside
- Speaker Pro Tem – Oscar Garcia, Tom Perkins and Brigitte Rogers
- Speaker – Charlotte Parks and Pat Porter

D. Announcements:

- **Voting procedure on July 12, 2006 – Narris Braly**
- **Fred Bell, Training Director**
- **Elsie Whiteside, Operations Chair**

E. Adjourn

8:30 – 10:00 pm Hospitality Room open – Suite 152

Wednesday, July 12, 2006 – Day at the Capitol

6:00 am	Walk with Walter
7:00 am	Breakfast ,Townlake Room
9:00 am	Board busses to Capitol
10:00 am	OPENING SESSION, 11 th TSHL, House Chambers
11:20 am	Group Photo
12 noon	Lunch at Capital Grill , on your own
1:00 pm	Tour Capitol and visit local legislators
2:30 pm	Reconvene in House Chambers to elect TSHL Officers
4:00 pm	Busses return to Woodward
6:00 pm	Celebration Dinner, Townlake
7:30 – 9:00 pm	Legislative Issues Committee meet to elect officers
8:30 –10:00 pm	Hospitality room open, Suite 152

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
OPENING SESSION
Wednesday, July 12, 2006
Chambers, Texas House of Representatives
10:00 am. – 4:00 pm**

Tentative Agenda

10:00 am

- A. Call To Order, Chris Kyker, Speaker, presiding
- Presentation of Colors - Travis County Sheriff Honor Guard, Lt Cardenas
 - Pledge of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags , Jake Narramore
 - Invocation - TSHL Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux
 - Roll Call and Establish Quorum – TSHL Secretary Albert Campbell
- B. Introduction of Guests & Secretary Roger Williams – TSHL Speaker Pro Tem Carlos Higgins
- C. Swearing In Ceremony and Administration of the Oath of Office to the 11th TSHL members,

Secretary Williams, Texas Secretary of State

D. Brief Introduction of Candidates for 2 minute speeches, Election Administrator, Narris Braly; Willie Boone, Election Judge; Election clerks: Harthia Bockmon, Charlynnne Elliott and Alan Abraham

- Secretary – Carlos Higgins
- Comptroller – David Baltimore, Jim Brisbin and Albert Campbell
- Deputy Speaker Pro Tem – Callie Ragon, Betty Streckfuss, and Elsie Whiteside
- Speaker Pro Tem – Oscar Garcia, Tom Perkins and Brigitte Rogers
- Speaker – Charlotte Parks and Pat Porter

E. Recess for group photo at **11:20 am**, lunch on your own and visit with local legislators

1:30 pm Reconvene to Elect TSHL State Officers

- A. Call to Order, Chris Kyker, Speaker
- B. Roll Call of those sworn in and Establish Quorum
- C. Election of TSL State Officers, TSHL Election Administrator, Narris Braly
- D. Announcements
- E. Adjourn

4:00 pm Busses return to Hotel.

6:00 pm Celebration Dinner, Townlake

7:30 – 9:00 pm – Legislative Issues Committee Meet to elect officers

Criminal Justice	Suite 146
Education	Suite 176
General	Suite 160
Health & Human Resources	Suite 170
Human Services	Suite 156
Insurance	Suite 154
Retirement & Aging	Suite 158
State Affairs	Suite 162
Utilities & Natural Resources	Lake Austin

8:30-10:00 pm - Hospitality room open, Suite 152

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
New Officers Dinner Meeting and Celebration
Wednesday, July 12, 2006
Townlake Room, Woodward
6:00 – 7:30 pm**

Tentative Agenda

- A. Call To Order, Homer Lear, Speaker Emeritus
 - Invocation, Gaston West, Speaker Emeritus
 - Introduction of Guests
- B. Announcement of Election Results, Election Administrator
 - Secretary, Carlos Higgins, unopposed
 - Comptroller, Al Campbell
 - Deputy Speaker Pro Tem, Betty Streckfuss

- Speaker Pro tem, Oscar Garcia
- Speaker, Charlotte Parks

C. Dinner

D. Comments and Presentation of Certificates of Election to new Officers, Homer Lear and Gaston West

E. Comments from new Speaker

F. Announcements

- Fred Bell, Training Director
- Elsie Whiteside, Operations Chair

G. Adjourn

7:30 – 9:00 pm Legislative Issues Committee meet to elect officers

8:30 – 10:00 pm Hospitality Room open – Suite 152

Thursday, July 13, 2006 – Training Workshops and Business

6:00 am	Walk with Walter
7:00 am	Breakfast, Townlake Room
7:00-8:30 am	Election and Credentials Meeting to elect officers, Lake Austin Room
7:00-8:30am	TSHL Officers meet to appoint LAC officers
8:30-10:00 am	Administrative Committees meet to elect officers
10:30- 12 noon	General Assembly, Lake LBJ Room
12 noon	Lunch, Townlake
1:00-4:45 pm	Training Workshops, Two Sessions
6:00 –8:00 pm	Awards Dinner, Townlake
8:30 – 10:00 pm	Hospitality Room open, Suite 152

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
GENERAL SESSION
Thursday, July 13, 2006
LBJ Room, Woodward
10:30 A.M. – 12 noon**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

A. Call To Order, Chris Kyker, Speaker

- Invocation, Ivan Arceneaux, TSHL Chaplain

- Pledge of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags, Chester Cunningham, Panhandle
- Roll Call and Establish Quorum, Al Campbell, Secretary

B. Introduction of Guests

C. Announcement of LIC and Administrative Officers, Election Administrator

D. Announcement of Legislative Action Committee Officers, new Speaker Charlotte Parks

E. Panel Discussion of Aging Issues for consideration by 11th TSHL Legislative Session, September 11-15, 2006 – Carlos Higgins, Moderator

- Report of Regional WHCoA Follow-up Forums, DADS Staff, Policy Analysis and Support, Center for Policy and Innovation, Jerry Perez and Michael Wilson
- Report, 79th Special Session on school tax reform, Carlos Higgins
- Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act – Gary Jessee, DADS Manager, Area Agencies on Aging Support
- Comments by newly elected Legislative Action Committee Chair.
- Announcements
- Fred Bell, Training Director
- Elsie Whiteside, Operations Chair
- Adjourn

Training Workshops

1:00 – 4:45 pm

Time	Workshops	Instructor	Room
<u>Session 1</u>			
1:00-2:45 pm	LIC & Adm committee chairs	TSHL Officers	San Gabriel
1:00-2:45 pm	Community Relationship	Walter Graham	Lake LBJ
1:00-2:45 pm	Leadership styles	Pete Hinojosa	Lake Travis
1:00-2:45 pm	Advocacy	Bruce Bower	Lake Austin
<u>Session 2</u>			
3:00- 4:45 pm	TSHL new state officers	TSHL Officers	San Gabriel
3:00- 4:45 pm	Community Relationship	Walter Graham	Lake LBJ
3:00- 4:45 pm	Leadership styles	Pete Hinojosa	Lake Travis
3:00- 4:45 pm	Advocacy	Bruce Bower	Lake Austin

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
Awards Dinner
Thursday, July 13, 2006
Townlake Room, Woodward**

6:00 – 8:00 pm

AGENDA

Master of Ceremonies, Walter Graham,
TSHL, West Central Texas

Invocation, Alan Abraham, TSHL, Panhandle

Introduction of Guests, Tim Hine, Thomas Chapman, Mike Crowe

Introduction of AT&T, Dinner Sponsor

Comments, Susan Merrick, Director
AT&T External Affairs

Dinner

Introduction of Speaker, Walter Graham

Dinner Speaker, Representative Elliott Naishtat,
Texas House of Representatives, District 49, Travis County

Special Presentation, TSHL Foundation Award to
Paula Johnson

Recognition of 10th TSHL Leadership,
Chris Kyker, Speaker

Closing Remarks

8:30-9:30 pm Legislative Action Committee meets, Suite 176

8:30-10:00 pm Hospitality Room open – Suite 152

Friday, July 14, 2006, Closing Day

7:00-8:30 am	Breakfast, Townlake room
8:30-11:30 am	Closing Session, LBJ Room and Installation of new officers
1:00-3:30 pm	11 th TSHL Executive Committee Meeting, ELC

**11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature
CLOSING SESSION
Friday, July 14, 2006
LBJ Room, Woodward
8:30-11:30am**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- A. Call To Order, Chris Kyker, Speaker
 - Invocation, Ivan Arceneaux, TSHL Chaplain
 - Pledge of Allegiance to U.S. and Texas Flags, Linda Parrish, Member-at-Large
 - Roll Call and Establish Quorum, Al Campbell, Secretary
 - Introduction of Guests
- B. Committee Reports – Carlos Higgins
 - Administrative Committees
 - Legislative Issue Committees
- C. Special Committee Reports – Carlos Higgins
 - Technology Committee- Oscar Garcia
 - Training Committee – Fred Bell
 - Strategic Plan 2006-2010 – Al Campbell
- D. Acknowledge Lu Russell, Elmer Ingle and Elsie Whiteside
- E. Installation of New Officers and Oath of Office – 10th TSHL Officers – Chris Kyker
 - Secretary, administered by Al Campbell to Carlos Higgins
 - Comptroller, administered by Barbara Effenberger to Al Campbell
 - Deputy Speaker Pro Tem, administered by Charlotte Parks to Betty Streckfuss
 - Speaker Pro Tem, administered by Carlos Higgins to Oscar Garcia
 - Speaker, administered by Chris Kyker to Charlotte Parks
- F. New Speaker receives gavel and presides.
 - Calls for meeting of 11th TSHL Executive Committee, 1:00 pm, Townlake, July 14, 2006.
 - Authorizes Legislative Committee to assume functions of the Resolution Review Panel.
 - Sets August 24, 2006 as deadline to receive Proposed Resolutions from members
 - Calls for the 11th TSHL Legislative Session to convene in the House Chambers, 9 am, Monday, September 11, 2006.
 - Announces John Holcomb as new committee chairman of Training Committee
- G. Closing Remarks & Acknowledgments by Speaker Kyker
- H. Benediction, 10th TSHL Chaplain Ivan Arceneaux
- I. Adjourn SINE DIE

TSHL Orientation July 10-14, 2006
Room Schedule
The Woodward Hotel and Conference Center
July 7, 2006

Monday, July 10, 2006 New Member Training	Tuesday, July 11, 2006 First Day of Session	Wednesday, July 12, 2006 Day at the Capitol	Thursday, July 13, 2006 Training & Work Day	Friday, July 14, 2006 Closing Day
	6:00 am Walk with Walter	6:00 am Walk with Walter	6:00 am Walk with Walter	
8:30 am Set up for Operations Headquarters Open July 10-14 (daily) Room, <u>Shoal Creek</u>	7:00 – 8:30 am New member breakfast Room <u>Town Lake</u> (60) 8:30 – 9:30 am new member Q&A Room <u>Town Lake</u> (60)	7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast Room <u>Town Lake</u> (110) 9:00 am Board busses to capitol	7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast Room <u>Town Lake</u> (110) 7:00 – 8:30 am, E&C Room <u>Lake Austin</u> (25) 7:00 – 8:30 am, new TSHL officers <u>Suite 146</u> (6)	7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast Room <u>Town Lake</u> (90)
9:00am-1:00 pm registration Room, <u>Shoal Creek</u> 10:00 – 11:30 am Training Committee, Room <u>Executive Learning Center (ELC)</u> (10)	8:00 – 10:00 am – Registration Room <u>Shoal Creek</u> 8:00 – 12 am ID photographs Room <u>Town Lake South West corner</u> 10:00 am 12:00 am PLENARY SESSION Room <u>Lake LBJ</u> (110)	10:00 am – OPENING SESSION House Chambers 11:20 am Group Picture	8:30 – 10:00 am Administrative committees meet, Fin Rm <u>Lake Austin</u> 25 EC Rm <u>Lake Travis</u> 25 Com Rm <u>Lake LBJ</u> 25 Ops Rm <u>Shoal Creek</u> 25 10:30 – 12am GEN ASSEMBLY Room <u>Lake LBJ</u> (110)	8:30 – 11:30 am CLOSING SESSION Room <u>Lake LBJ</u> (90)
	12-1:00 pm lunch (110) Room- Townlake	11:30 am – 1:00 pm lunch Capitol Cafeteria (on your own)	12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch (110) Room- Town Lake	

<p>1:00 -4:30 pm- new member training Room <u>ELC</u> (40)</p> <p>1:00 – 4:00 pm – Grant Writing Room <u>Suite 146</u> (15)</p> <p>4:30 – 5:30 pm – 10th TSHL Executive Committee meeting, Room <u>ELC</u> (40)</p>	<p>1:00-2:30pm Initial meeting of Administrative Committees (4) Fin Rm <u>Lake Austin</u> 25 EC Rm <u>Lake Travis</u> 25 Com Rm <u>Lake LBJ</u> 25 Ops Rm <u>Shoal Creek</u> 25</p> <p>3:00 – 4:30 pm Legislative Issues Committees- (9) CJ <u>Suite 146</u> 12 Ed <u>Suite 176</u> 12 Gn <u>Suite 160</u> 12 HHR <u>Suite 170</u> 12 HS <u>Suite 156</u> 12 Ins <u>Suite 154</u> 12 RA <u>Suite 158</u> 12 SA <u>Suite 162</u> 12 UNR <u>Lake Austin</u> 12</p>	<p>1:00 – 2:30 pm Tour of Capitol, visit your representatives</p> <p>2:30-3:45 pm – General Assembly House Chambers</p> <p>4:00 pm – Return to Hotel</p>	<p>1:00 – 2:45 pm workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Com Chairs <u>San Gabriel</u> (22) • Comm Rela <u>Lake LBJ</u> (19) • Leadership <u>Lake Travis</u> (20) • Advocacy, <u>Lake Austin</u> (30) <p>3:00 – 4:45 pm Workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TSHL officers <u>San Gabriel</u> (10) • Comm Rela, <u>Lake LBJ</u> (30) • Leadership, <u>Lake Travis</u> (30) • Advocacy <u>Lake Austin</u> (30) 	<p>1:00 – 3:30 pm 11th Executive Committee meeting Room <u>ELC</u> (40)</p>
<p>5:30 – 6:30 pm new member Buffet Room <u>Town Lake</u> (60)</p> <p>6:30 – 8:30 new members tr. Room <u>Town Lake</u> (40)</p>	<p>5:30 – 6:30 pm Social Room <u>Town Lake</u> (110)</p> <p>6:30 – 8:30 Dinner Room <u>Town Lake</u> (110)</p>	<p>6:00 – 7:20 pm Dinner – Room <u>Town Lake</u> (110)</p>	<p>6:00 – 8:00 pm Dinner – Rm <u>Town Lake</u> (110)</p>	
<p>Hospitality 8:30 – 10:00 pm Room <u>Suite 152</u></p>	<p>Hospitality 8:30 – 10:00 pm Room <u>Suite 152</u></p>	<p>Hospitality 8:30 – 10:00 pm Room <u>Suite 152</u></p>	<p>Hospitality 8:30 – 10:00 pm Room <u>Suite 152</u></p>	
		<p>7:30 – 9:00 pm LIC meet 9 rms for 12 each (same as July 11)</p>	<p>8:30 – 9:30pm LAC meets <u>Suite 176</u> 12</p>	

I. AUTHORITY

Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised Edition, in the most recent edition shall be the parliamentary authority in all cases except where otherwise provided in the Bylaws, Election & Credentials Manual or the Policy and Procedures Handbook.

II. COMMITTEES

- 2a There shall be nine (9) Legislative Issues Committees. The names of these Committees shall be: Criminal Justice, Education, General, Health & Human Resources, Human Services, Insurance, Retirement & Aging, State Affairs and Utilities & Natural Resources.
- 2b There shall be (5) five Administrative Committees. The names of these Committees shall be: Communications, Elections & Credentials, Finance, Legislative Action and Operations.
- 2c The Executive Committee shall consist of members as prescribed by the Bylaws and the Policies and Procedures Handbook.
- 2d Officers of committees shall consist of chairman, vice-chairman and secretary
- 2e The five TSHL officers are ex-officio members of all committees but are not eligible to serve as chairman, vice-chairman or secretary without prior approval by the Executive Committee.

III. LEADERSHIP

- 3a The Speaker, Speaker Pro Tem, Deputy Speaker Pro Tem, Secretary and Comptroller shall be the line of authority.
- 3b The Speaker or designee shall preserve decorum at all times.
- 3c The Speaker may speak to an issue only after he/she has passed the gavel and come to the floor.
- 3d The Speaker shall recognize members to speak and shall set appropriate time limits.
- 3e The Speaker shall decide all points of order and can be overruled only through "an appeal of the decision of the chair."

IV. AGENDA

The agenda shall be the order of business for the Silver-Haired Legislature. The agenda will be printed and distributed prior to the beginning of the session.

V. QUORUM

- 5a Only those members who have been properly sworn-in shall be counted to establish a quorum.
- 5b A quorum for a meeting of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature shall be a majority of the membership
- 5c Committees – A quorum for committees and sub-committees shall be a majority of the members present and voting.

Members of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature are expected to conduct themselves in a manner commensurate with the high honor of his/her office and to refrain from conduct that would bring discredit to the Silver-Haired Legislature.

Accordingly, TSHL Legislators must refrain from any practice that could be considered to be in conflict, real or apparent, with this code. While acting or appearing as a member of the TSHL, members must not advocate a political party or otherwise participate in partisan politics.

VII. DRESS CODE

The appearance and dress of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislators, while in the General Session, may be casual dress with the exception of banquets. However, the dress for members during committee hearings in the Capitol Extension and during general assembly in the House Chambers will include coat and tie for men and conventional professional apparel for women.

VIII. PROTOCOL

During general sessions, the presiding officer shall be addressed as Madam Speaker or Mister Speaker. During committee meetings, the presiding officer shall be addressed as Madam Chairman or Mister Chairman.

IX. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Only members of the 11th TSHL who have taken the Oath of Office shall be eligible to vote for Officers.

X. AMENDMENTS TO THESE RULES

After these rules are adopted by the membership, proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the Speaker in advance of any discussion on the floor, and requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership for adoption.

XI. TIMELY RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Attempts to resolve disputes arising during the formal conduct of this TSHL Orientation Session shall be in accord with these Rules, TSHL Bylaws, Election & Procedures Manual and Policies and Procedures, Roberts Rules of Order, and rulings by the Parliamentarian. However, any dispute which cannot be timely and reasonably resolved thereby without seriously jeopardizing the ability of the TSHL to timely complete its responsibilities may be finally resolved by ruling of the Speaker, with the concurring vote of four-fifths (4/5) of the TSHL membership. After allowing debate, not to exceed 30 minutes the Speaker may properly decline any further challenge and present this question to the body for its vote.

VI. CODE OF CONDUCT.