



**AMET General Assembly
November 9, 2018
South Padre Island, Texas**

I. CALL TO ORDER

- The AMET General Assembly was called to order at 9:06 am.
- Mary Castañuela, President, recognized the student entertainment, the local planning committee, and the student art scholarship winner.

II. INTRODUCTION OF OFFICER AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL & REGIONAL DIRECTORS

- Mary Castañuela recognized each even numbered Regional Director and presented a departing gift to each.

III. ROLL CALL

- Roll call
 - Lisa Hernandez, ESC 3, made a motion to dispense with roll call in the interest of time. Ellie Ross, ESC 20, seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IV. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Reading and approval of the minutes
 - Mary Jo Beard, ESC 14, made a motion to dispense with the minutes in the interest of time. Maribel Gutierrez, Comanche ISD, seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- Current Conference Numbers
 - 275 paid attendants; 10 no shows.
 - We dropped in attendance by 162 participants.
- AMET Membership Responsibilities
 - There is a high priority to increase membership. The assembly was asked to share on the conference evaluation ideas that would help increase attendance.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Treasury Report
 - As of September 30, 2018, AMET had a bank balance of \$177,000.
 - The anticipated revenue for the conference based on the numbers was \$99,720.

- The anticipated expenditures for the conference were \$90,000.
- The original projection was 400 participants, but the conference had less at 275 paid participants. Therefore, AMET anticipates between a \$25,000-\$30,000 deficit.
- By-Laws Report
 - Tomas Yanez, By-Laws Committee Chair
 - By-Laws are on the website.
 - The Executive Council amended the by-laws in Article 6, Section 6.06
 - Article 7, section 7.03 was also amended.
- Election of President-Elect & Secretary
 - Requirements for an officer position
 - The candidate must have been an active member of the association for a period of not less than two membership years.
 - The candidate must have experience in a leadership position in the association such as a committee chair or regional director.
 - Each candidate must secure permission from their immediate supervisor prior to his/her name being included on the list of candidates.
 - Nominations were to be approved by the immediate supervisor and submitted by the last Friday of October.
 - Nominations Chair asked for the official list of candidates for President-Elect and Secretary.
 - Yolanda Rollins responded that the nomination list was ready.
 - Two nominees – 1 per position
 - Ellie Ross, Region 20, was nominated for President-Elect and her nomination was submitted by the deadline.
 - Mary Castañuela asked for a motion to elect Ellie Ross as the President-Elect by acclamation.
 - Esmer Solano, ESC 20, made the motion. Mary Jo Beard, ESC 14, seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ellie Ross was named the new President-Elect.
 - Jo Ann Gonzales, Region 14, was nominated for Secretary and her nomination was submitted by the deadline.
 - Mary Castañuela asked for a motion to elect Jo Ann Gonzales as the Secretary by acclamation.
 - Esmer Solano, ESC 20, made the motion. Anna Minjares, ESC 18, seconded the motion. The motion carried. Jo Ann Gonzales was named Secretary.
- Introduction of the new Board of Regional Directors.
 - Mary Castanuela and Wendy Branstine present a gift to all even numbered regional directors. The new Board of Directors was recognized.

- Region 2-Dr. Alma Garcia-Alice ISD
- Region 4-Deborah Rivera Fontanez
- Region 6-Kim Chapa
- Region 8-Leonard Beles
- Region 10-Diana Sanchez
- Region 12-Tonya Ramos
- Region 14-Mary Jo Beard
- Region 16-Matthew Chavez
- Region 18-Anna Minjares
- Region 20-Patricia Martinez
- Future Conference Dates and Locations were discussed.
 - November 6-8, 2019 in San Antonio at the Omni @ The Colonnade
 - November 18-20, 2020 in San Marcos at The Embassy Suites Hotel
- Farewell Speech by the President, Mary Castañuela
 - Migrant Education: Inspire, Advocate, Cultivate. Inspire-we are all here together right here right now. Let us be an inspiration for each other to move forward. Advocate-who better to advocate for our families and students. We have the passion and empathy to help our families. Cultivate-we all roll up our sleeves and cultivate our migrant students. Build that village of support. We plant seeds, watch them grow, and harvest. We cultivate time after time. This organization provided an opportunity for personal growth. Be the catalyst, be an advocate, be a cultivator. It is our responsibility. Mary Castañuela passed the gavel. A plaque was presented to Mary Castañuela by Wendy Branstine.
- New President's Speech, Wendy Branstine
 - I am truly honored for the opportunity to serve as the new AMET President. I am proud to follow several great leaders of our association, and I look forward to making a positive contribution to our continued success through working with the AMET officer team and regional directors. I am dedicated to continually improving our scholarship program, and I am committed to providing premiere professional development and informative sessions at our annual AMET Conference. Most of all, I am privileged to serve every single one of you as members of the association. AMET is invaluable because of its members – YOU!! All across the great state of Texas, we strive to inspire, advocate, and cultivate our migratory students. Their successes are truly our successes. I look forward to working together for the next two years. Thank you.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- Wendy Branstine, President, asked for a motion to adjourn the 2018 AMET General Assembly.
 - Matthew Chavez, ESC 16, made a motion to adjourn. Lisa Hernandez, ESC 3, seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.