

Minutes for Annual Business Meeting, April 10, 2008

The members of the Texas State Society met on April 10, 2008 in Room 385 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC from 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm. The purpose of the annual meeting was to introduce and vote on the new slate of officers for 2008 - 2009.

Welcome and introduction of the incoming board was given by the outgoing President, Ed Perez. The new slate of officers was unanimously approved by those in attendance.

The slate includes the following: President-The Honorable John Cornyn; 1st Vice President-Bill Christian, 2nd Vice President-The Honorable Silvestre Reyes; Secretary-David Kelly; Treasurer-Bob Mansker; Historian-Jen Sarver. Directors with terms expiring in April, 2009: The Honorable John Carter (Past President), Doug Centilli, Cathy Gillespie, The Honorable Gene Green, Susan McAvoy, and Bethany Smith Scully. Directors with terms ending in April, 2010: Don Carlson, The Honorable Mike Conaway, Craig Felner, Ed Perez (Past President), Jenny Sheffield, Hannah Simone. Board Positions are: Executive Secretary-

Lois Auer; Membership Chair-Walt Smith; Entertainment Chair-Brittany Eck; Public Relations Chair-Jennifer Daniels; Newsletter Editor-Carmen Fenton; Congressional Liaison-Barry Brown; National Conference of State Societies (NCSS) Liaison-Bill Christian.

Mr. Bill Christian then introduced the incoming President, Senator John Cornyn. Everyone enjoyed learning more about Senator Cornyn and his views on current issues.

Bob Mansker gave the annual audit report for 2007-2008. He reported that all records are in order and finances are sound.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. TSS members then proceeded to Room 902 Hart Senate Office Building to attend the 2008 Cherry Blossom Princess Reception, honoring the princesses from Texas, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Alabama. Ms. Sarah Worsham, a native of Center, Texas, graciously represented the Texas State Society as our Cherry Blossom princess.