

Houston Small Business Advisory Committee Minutes September 14, 2011

FISCAL YEAR 2012 PRIORITIES

Provide input on TCEQ rules and policies to represent small businesses and strengthen partnerships with local elected officials.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM by Co-Chair J. Kelly Mowry. Each of the 18 participants introduced themselves and the business/organization they represented.

REVIEW ACTIONS ITEMS FROM DECEMBER 15, 2010 MEETING

Danielle L. Doss briefly discussed minutes from the June 15, 2011, meeting and commented that no action items were outstanding.

FUTURE MEETING DAY AND TIME

Danielle Doss discussed upcoming meetings for the 2012 calendar year. As results, the majority of the committee agreed that the third Thursday of the month are best. Danielle informed the committee that she would look into scheduling future meetings on the third Thursday of the month, but the next meeting date would still be Wednesday December 14, 2011.

TCEQ AUSTIN UPDATE

Charlie Adams provided the SBAC with information regarding the Texas Legislature and how proposed legislation could impact small businesses. Charlie discussed compliance history, penalty policy, petroleum storage tank program, House Bill 571 (Aggregate Product Operations), drought issues in Texas, ozone standard and the new changes with our C2 program.

For our open discussion period, Luz Lock with the City of Pasadena informed the group about an upcoming Pollution Prevention/Business Saving Tips Workshop that will be held soon at the Pasadena Convention Center.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Provide the SBAC with future meeting dates.
2. Provide the committee with a City of Pasadena Flyer to attend a Pollution Prevention/Business Savings Workshop.
3. Provide the committee with updates on the upcoming compliance history program.
4. Provide the SBAC with information on the time of September 28, 2011 Commissioner's Work Session meeting

Next SBAC Meeting: Wednesday December 14, 2011