



RECORD OF DECISION

Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan
Scientific Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting
November 3, 2016, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Reicher Ranch
Cana House
3621 South FM 620 Road
Austin, Texas 78738

Present

Jean Krejca, Chair
Kimberlee Harvey, BCCP
Secretary
John Cornelius
David Steed
Amie Treuer-Kuehn
Nico Hauwert

Absent

Sam Whitehead
Craig Farquhar, Vice Chair

1. **New Business**
 - a. **Members' issues and concerns** - none
 - b. **Advisory Groups as explained in the BCCP Shared Vision and Bylaws** - The only mention of advisory groups in the BCCP Shared Vision occurs under Section 3.4 Principal Duties of the BCCP CC item (b)4 and it states; To this end, The Coordinating Committee's principal duties are "to establish advisory groups as appropriate to implement the BCCP Shared Vision." The SAC also has Bylaws, which may be amended by a 5/7 majority vote of the members, and Guidelines which may be updated as needed. In an effort to reduce member fatigue and be more respectful of committee member and staff time, we are in the process of updating the Guidelines to reflect a reduction in regular SAC meetings from four to two per year and allowing the option to call in to the meeting to increase member convenience and reduce absences. The updated guidelines will be finalized during the first SAC meeting of next year and will be presented to the Coordinating Committee. Harvey reminded that the SAC does serve at the pleasure of the Coordinating Committee, and would still be required to have special sessions and/or working groups as needed, to address Coordinating Committee members' questions and concerns. Harvey explained that the BCP Partner Staff Reports would still be generated quarterly, and would be distributed to committee members. Krejca added that future reductions in meetings may help retain members with institutional knowledge, who were

4. **Next BCCP SAC meeting** - 2017 meetings to be scheduled in January
5. **Meeting was adjourned at 4:28pm**