

TO: TDNA Directors
FROM: Donnis Baggett
DATE: July 2, 2004
SUBJECT: Board Appointments

This memo will inform you that two directors currently serving on the TDNA board of directors have officially resigned effective immediately.

Larry Rose, president and publisher of the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times*, is retiring; and Jack Pate, president and publisher of the *San Angelo Standard-Times*, is moving back to Indiana to become publisher of the *Evansville Courier & Press*, an E.W. Scripps publication.

Due to the significance of the staff restructure to be finalized by the board at the December board meeting and the office relocation, I think it's important to fill these two board openings immediately so that we have a full-member board to act on current issues.

As president I hereby submit to the board for your approval the following two individuals. If they accept the appointment to fill Larry's and Jack's unexpired terms (which end this year) both will be automatically nominated to serve full three-year terms beginning next year.

- 1) A representative from *The Dallas Morning News*. I will visit with *DMN* publisher James Moroney to determine who from that newspaper will be appointed.
- 2) Doug Toney, publisher of the *Herald-Zeitung* at New Braunfels.

By tradition an individual from the *DMN* would have been selected by next year's nominating committee for a three-year term.

Doug Toney has been extremely active in TDNA activities for the past several years, attending all TDNA Annual Meetings and serving on current and past Legislative Advisory Committees.

The nominating committee to be appointed later this year will be selecting four individuals to be candidates to fill full three-year terms. With the board's action to appoint these two individuals, the nominating committee will need to select only two additional individuals later this year.

Please fax back to the TDNA office the attached approval form.

Attached: Approval fax form
Larry Rose retirement news release
Jack Pate relocation news release