

# CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS

## Application for Appointment to Citizen Advisory Board or Commission

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### BOARD OR COMMISSION DESIRED (Please apply for one (1) board or commission per application.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advertising & Promotion Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> Historical District Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airport Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Library Board
<input type="checkbox"/> City Beautiful Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Adjustment	<input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing Review Board
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Service Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Facilities Board
<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Review Board	<input type="checkbox"/> SWAWIB-Southwest Arkansas Workforce Investment Board
<input type="checkbox"/> Heating & Air Conditioning Board of Review	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Name: Robin Hickerson Home Phone: 903-908-1814

Address: 6504 Northern Hills Dr. Texarkana Resident ☒ Yes ☐ No 58 Years

E-Mail Address: robinhwbhickerson@gmail.com Miller Co. Voter Registration No. 1808933

Employer: Texarkana Arkansas School District Work Phone: 870-772-3371

Position: Assistant Superintendent Cell Phone: 903-908-1814

Education: BS, MS, Ed. D. Texas A&M-T High School: Arkansas High School Texarkana

Special knowledge or past experience qualifying you for this appointment: (Please feel free to attach resume):

See attached

Other relevant information (civic activities, memberships, etc.):

See attached

References: List the name and phone number of at least one Texarkana resident as a reference, especially any City staff, City Council, or current Committee members who may be contacted on your behalf.

Name: See attached

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Interest: Explain why you are interested in being appointed to this board or commission.

See attached

Experience: Indicate what meeting(s) you have attended of the committee for which you wish to be considered.

I have attended 19 of 21 meetings since my appointment.

Number of Texarkana, Arkansas Board of Directors Meetings you have attended in the past 12 months:

1 workshop

Please read the statement below and sign your name to indicate your understanding.

**I UNDERSTAND MY ATTENDANCE WILL BE REQUIRED AT ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

Signature of Applicant: Robin Hickerson

Date Submitted: 12/13/2022

Return completed application to:  
Heather Soyars, City Clerk  
216 Walnut Street (or)  
P O Box 2711  
Texarkana TX 75504-2711  
Phone 870-779-4995 or Fax 870-774-3170

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By: <u>[Signature]</u>	

Please Note: This application will be on file for one (1) year.

December 13, 2022

Dear Mayor Brown, Manager Ellington, and City Directors,

I am writing to inform you of my interest in continuing to work with the city of Texarkana, Arkansas, by serving as a member of the Airport Authority. I appreciate the confidence the Board has shown in me and believe I have been an asset to the committee during my two-year term.

I am currently serving as the chair of the Airport Authority, and we are completing a performance evaluation on the current director and a significant building project. I have used my expertise and years of experience in human resources to assist the Authority with routine personnel issues and performance evaluations over the course of my tenure. I have also used my experience with construction projects and oversight of building facilities throughout the planning and construction of the new terminal. In addition, I have maintained excellent attendance throughout my appointment.

I have attached a copy of my resumé, which outlines my past experience, qualifications, and civic activities, along with a list of city council members who have agreed to serve as references for me. Also attached is a letter of recommendation from Sonja Yates-Hubbard, a respected member of the airport community.

In closing, thank you for your consideration of my request. I am eager to serve the city that I love and excited to see the construction of the new terminal to completion.

Sincerely,



Robin Hickerson, Ed.D.



Sonja Yates Hubbard, CPA  
Yates Group, Inc.  
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December 13, 2022

Subject: Texarkana Regional Airport Director Reappointment Recommendation

Dear City of Texarkana, Arkansas Board of Directors

It is with great pleasure and confidence that I provide and fully support Robin Hickerson, whose name is currently standing for reappointment to the Texarkana Regional Airport Board as a director. I have had the privilege of knowing Robin for decades and have continually grown my respect for her accomplishments and her continued commitment to the community. I believe that she has already proven to possess all the necessary skills to be a successful member of the Texarkana Regional Airport Board.

In all the years I have known Robin Hickerson, I found her to be exceptionally loyal, passionate, and professional in all that she does. She is an excellent communicator who works well with others to get to the root of issues and find real solutions. At such a pivotal time for our community, region and especially, the Texarkana Regional Airport, a loss of her knowledge of the current progress would be detrimental to the airport and us all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sonja", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Sonja Yates Hubbard





**Robin Hubnik Hickerson, Ed.D.**  
**6504 Northern Hills Drive**  
**Texarkana, AR 71854**  
**903-908-1814**  
[robinhubnikhickerson@gmail.com](mailto:robinhubnikhickerson@gmail.com)

- Education: Master of Science – Secondary Education  
East Texas State University - Texarkana, 1995
- Bachelor of Science – Secondary Education  
East Texas State University - Texarkana, 1989
- Doctor of Education – Educational Leadership  
Texas A&M University - Texarkana, 2019
- Certifications: District Administrator P-12 (Superintendent's Certification)  
Secondary Principal 05-12  
Middle School Social Studies 05-08  
Secondary Social Studies 07-12
- Community Involvement: Arkansas Women for Education, founding member  
Junior League of Texarkana, past sustainer president  
First United Methodist Church, administrative board member  
Leadership Texarkana, former board member  
Texarkana Chamber of Commerce, EDC executive committee  
Wilbur Smith Rotary Club, former president  
Agent Barry Live United Bowl, board member  
United Way of Greater Texarkana, fundraising chair 2018  
Texarkana Regional Airport Authority, chair
- Recognitions: Pine Street Middle School Teacher of the Year 1993-1994  
Graduate of Arkansas Leadership Academy Team Institute  
AAMLE Administrator Who Makes a Difference 2006  
TRAHC ArtsSmart Award for Campus Leadership  
Graduate of Master Principal Institute I, II, and III  
2007 Arkansas Middle School Principal of the Year  
2007 National Distinguished Principal  
2009 Texas A&M Texarkana Distinguished Alumni  
Graduate of Leadership Texarkana, 2012

**Employment History:                      Texarkana Arkansas School District                      1995-Present**

Instructional Supervisor – Washington Intermediate School

Assistant Principal – College Hill Middle School

Assistant Principal – North Heights Junior High

Principal – College Hill Middle School (5 years)

Principal – Arkansas High School (6 years)

Assistant Superintendent (9 years)

**Texarkana Independent School District**      **1989-1995**

Teacher – Pine Street Middle School

Major Projects: Instrumental in raising student achievement in the high school and the middle school. Led the middle school to be awarded the prestigious Shannon Wright Award for outstanding middle school in the state of Arkansas. Increased enrollment in Advanced Placement courses at the high school and high school earning credits at the junior high. Supervised career and technical department. Assisted with the implementation of the Collegiate Academy through University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana.

Assisted with facilities planning and construction projects involving renovation of the high school and construction of the middle school.

Assisted the superintendent with adding step raises for all staff members and increasing beginning teachers' salaries to support recruitment and retention of highly qualified staff. Initiated a job fair.

Participated and led strategic planning sessions.

Facilitation and planning of district-wide professional development, including customer service training, new teacher training, and aspiring principals training.

Secured and managed a \$15 million Magnet Schools Assistance Grant.

## References

Director Jeff Hart – 870-330-1063

Director Steven Hollibush – 678-848-2033

Mayor Allen Brown – 903-293-1385