ALHA Board Meeting Minutes February 13, 2017

Board Members Present

Josh Williams-President

Tess Kidd- Vice President

Judy Costello- Treasurer (conference call)

Joleen Linson- Secretary

Kerry Spears- Communications

Linda Powell- District 1 Representative

Leon Tidwell- District 2 Representative

Carly Squyres- District 3 Representative (conference call)

Leita Spears- District 4 Representative

Approval of Minutes: Josh Williams had one correction to the December minutes in regards to the conference section. It should read that registration for the conference ends February 3rd, not early registration. Leita Spears made a motion to accept with the correction. Tess seconded. Motion passed.

Conference

Josh reported that the Holiday Inn had no paperwork for the conference but he talked with the hotel and got it worked. Because rooms had already been booked they were only able to do a block of 15 rather than 30.

We did receive a grant from the Humanities Council for Mary Theobold. The grant is for \$951 and it will pay for her travel, hotel, and honorium.

Carly reported that the information for the sessions will be in the program guide but the room assignments will be on a separate sheet of paper that can be picked up at registration.

Doug Kidd's workshop only had one person register so the workshop will be cancelled and Jane-Ellen Ross's money will be returned to her.

The journeyman workshop had just 3 registrants and the Lights, Camera, Action workshop had just 6 registrants. A minimum of 10 participants was requested for Light, Camera, Action so it would be up to Elista Istre, the workshop presenter on whether or not she wanted to cancel the workshop. The board decided to not cancel the journeyman workshop. Carly will contact Elista about the two workshops. Elista had asked about payment for travel but Josh pointed out that no one leading a workshop was paid for travel so it would set a bad precedent. The board agreed with Josh.

The need to build up certification of members so we would have more people available to teach was discussed.

The journeyman program also needs to be built up. Only one person sent their application to Josh for journeyman certification. The journeyman workshop could go to every other year if needed. Tess suggested that the districts need to offer apprentice/journeyman workshops throughout the year. We need more people available to teach workshops.

Josh will ask for volunteers at the business meeting to serve on the certification committee.

The apprentice workshop will be taught by Michael Terral with Leita helping.

Linda will contact Karen Woodruff and Shari McCulloch about the trip to Marshall's Dry Goods as neither have registered for the conference but are to lead that workshop.

Carly reported that there would be one switch to the sessions. Judy will record the Mary Theobold session for others to watch later.

Potluck location might need to change. Linda and Josh are checking with Lyon College and the Presbyterian Church and other locations. It would be an extra \$200 to move it to Main Street Lofts.

Scholarships: The committee consists of the Vice-President and the District Reps. They discussed the applicants and made a decision on who to award scholarships to. Tess made a motion to award full scholarships to Vanessa Arthur and Brandon Weston, and to waive Kerry Spears' registration fee. Leon seconded. Motion passed with no opposition.

At the next board meeting the board will look at the scholarships in regards to board members. Linda reported that her and Josh would be bringing screens and projectors. There is a possibility that we can get a bus for the Trail of Tears field trip. Josh would be able to drive it if needed. Joleen will work the registration table Friday but won't be able to man it Saturday morning because of the session she is helping with at 9:00. The Chamber of Commerce is putting bags together. Unique Nosh is providing coupons. Harmony from Mt. View will be playing for the dance.

Committee Reports

Finance:

Josh sent the budget information from January and through Feb 3rd that Judy had sent him. The outstanding charge from the conference last year has been paid. The 2014 conference account was never closed because Tess was opening and closing accounts for accounts so she just left it opened. We discussed doing a debit card for conference expenses and close the conference account. Josh made a motion to close the conference account 1747 at Arvest Bank. Tess seconded. The motion was then amended to include the moving of the money from the conference account 1741 to the account ending in 6532. Motion passed with no opposition. Accounting fees of \$1000.00 moved back because we are not doing an audit. Financial statement will be included in the conference program. Conference registration information needs to be sent to the treasurer account. We will have to have the website guy change the website to have money for membership go toe the alhatreasurer account.

Communications:

JustHost has the website name, domain. Josh will check to see who is paying for the domain name. Nick is the designer and JustHost admin- he can make changes. CushyCMS allows us to upload to the website. WuFoo handles the online registrations. Website needs to be changed. If we want to grow as an organization we need a uniform system. Communications committee will work on a new website after the conference. Facebook discussion page is getting a lot of requests ,Kerry is approving.

Education

District Reports

District 1: Conference; need a new place for Tulip Academy

District 2: Museums are busy with school groups.

District 3: Nothing to report.

District 4: May 20 or 21 will be an apprentice workshop. Ladies Gathering will be in

August. There are only 11 openings left.

Old Business

None.

New Business

President, Secretary, District 2, and District 4 up for election; President, Secretary, and District 2 all willing to serve another term. Leita is term-limited but someone from District 4 is willing to serve.

2018 Conference Location is District 4- Historic Washington State Park March 2-4; there will be information at the meeting about this.

Theme is History Changes the World.

Leita made a motion to have the meeting in Washington, AR March 2-4 of 2018. Linda seconded. Motion passed.

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Josh moved to adjourn, Leon seconded. Motion passed with no opposition.