

ALHA Business Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2018

Board Members Present

Josh Williams-President
Tess Kidd- Vice President
Judy Costello- Treasurer
Joleen Linson- Secretary
Kerry Spears- Communications
Linda Powell- District 1 Representative
Leon Tidwell- District 2 Representative
Leita Spears- District 4 Representative

Meeting called to order by President Josh Williams who thanked the committee for all their hard work on the conference.

General announcements about the conference were made

David Fowler spoke about the ALHFAM conference in Tahlequah June 1-6; they are partnering with the Cherokee Nation, registration is open

Secretary: We have 179 members.

Treasurer: The budget proposal is in the program, we had \$14,200 at the end of December, took in \$8400 and spent \$8700. Tess Kidd motioned to accept the budget, Leon seconded, passed with no opposition

Josh Williams and Kerry Spears did a presentation on the new website

District Reports

District 1: They are going to work to help their members with certification, elected Jeannine Thompson as new rep

District 2: Had a great meeting, next year District 2 will host the conference. Dates are February 22-24; Theme will be 200 years of Arkansas to celebrate the bicentennial of Arkansas becoming a territory

District 3: (Tess spoke for Carly) Laura Jennings voted as new district rep; put 4 workshops together, will lend assistance to Murrell Home with ALHFAM

District 4: (Leita spoke for Sheila) Had successful apprenticeship workshops, adding a journeyman workshop

Certification: Elista Istre is chair of the Certification Committee- There are 6 masters, will reach out to members through the website to keep them in touch with what they need to do

Proposals from the Board

- 1- Constitutional Proposal- Change to communication director's position to discontinue a quarterly newsletter. Motion made by Gina Billeaudeau to change the duties. Barbara Ward 2nd. Discussion- Ian Beard says it's a good idea, easier to use Facebook or the discussion boards on the new website, vote called for, motion passes with no opposition
- 2- Membership Proposal- Discount to membership fee as you get closer to the end of the year and will have to renew. Motion made by Shari McCullough for discount. Leon 2nd. Discussion- Tess Kidd does not agree with proposal, Each district is allowed \$500 for a workshop and this allows people to join right before a workshop for a discounted price and others have paid the full price for membership. Ian Beard asked if we needed to keep the calendar year membership or can we just go date to date with the new website. Ian moved to table the proposal for the board to look at options, Kent Goff 2nd, motion passed with no opposition
- 3- Proposed District Map Change- currently follows the 2007 Congressional District maps, proposed change follows the district map for AMA, Ian motioned to change the district map, Barbara 2nd, motion passed with no opposition. Districts are now Central, Northeast, Northwest, and Southern.

Officer Elections

Nominations for Treasurer- Judy Costello nominated by Aaron Loehndorf, 2nd by Kerry Spears, elected with no opposition

Nominations for Vice-President- Aaron Loehndorf nominated by Judy Costello, 2nd by Ian Beard, elected with no opposition

Nominations for Communications Chair- Chris Adams nominated by Joleen Linson, 2nd by Ian Beard, elected with no opposition

Meeting adjourned.

Keynote Speaker- Tonya Staggs from Historic Traveller's Rest, Tennessee funded by AHC and NEA