



**Arkansas School Counselor Association**

ArSCA Board Meeting

**Minutes 1/12/19**

9:30am-4:00pm

Conway, AR

<b>ArSCA Board &amp; Leadership:</b> denotes voting members (13) * meeting attendee	<b>*Terri Callaway</b> ArSCA President	<b>*Laquetta Stewart,</b> ArSCA President Elect
	<b>Angie Huff</b> ArSCA Past President	
<b>*Allison Spraggins</b> Elementary Vice President	<b>*Christy English</b> Central Region President	<b>*Donna Wilchie</b> ArSCA Secretary & Hospitality
<b>*Carrie Johnston</b> Middle/Jr. High Vice President	<b>*Regina Forehand</b> North Central Region President	<b>*Susie Harvison</b> ArSCA Treasurer & Professional Development
<b>Scott Sasser</b> Secondary Vice President	<b>*Kami Barkley</b> Northeast Region President	<b>*Suzanne Knowles</b> ADE Guidance Representative <b>*Rodney Ford</b> ADE Guidance Representative
<b>*David Christian</b> Post-Secondary Vice President	<b>*Kim Smith</b> Northwest Region President * Tina Wrobel, President Elect	<b>*Alicia Donner</b> ArSCA Human Rights & Historian
	<b>*Megan Boyce</b> Southeast President	
	<b>*Pasley Butler</b> Southwest President	
<b>*Chris Riggins</b> Membership	<b>*Michelle Gerhardt</b> Public Policy & Legislation	<b>*Susan Whatley &amp; Chris Riggins</b> ArSCA Public Relations & Advocacy and Social Media
Summer Conference:	Technology/Website:	<b>Heather Leavell</b> , Ethics
<b>Allison Spraggins</b>	<b>*Robin Finley</b>	<b>Past President&amp;Treasurer</b> , Finance
<b>Melissa Allen</b>	<b>Tahnee Bowen</b>	<b>Valerie Couture</b> , Research
	<b>Tawyna Shelton</b> <b>Heather Barron</b>	<b>CRITICAL INCIDENT/CRISIS RESPONSE:</b> *Debbie Drake
	<b>Amy Brewer</b> <b>Rhonda Jones</b> <b>Becky Lowery</b> <b>*Manesseh Moore</b>	<b>OPEN POSITION(S):</b> Grant Writer

## ArSCA Board Meeting

Jan. 12, 2018

ZOOM

9:00am – 1:00pm

Meeting Call to Order – 9:07am by President Terri Callaway

- I. Roll Call/Introduction of any attending for Regional Presidents -23 present (11 voting members attending; 12 nonvoting members)
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - a. October 20, 2018 meeting – **Motion #1** by Kim Smith and seconded by Laquetta Stewart to accept the minutes. (all in favor)
  - b. Dec. 6, 2018 special called meeting
- III. Reports of Officers and Committees
  - a. Regional President Reports
    - Kim Smith – Northwest: meeting last week; good feedback
    - Regina Forehand – North Central: passing leadership but working
    - Megan Boyce – Southeast: financials are straightened out
    - Pasley Butler – Southwest: upcoming meeting planning
    - Christy English – Central Region: COY Nominations received; November meeting had 30 attendees
    - Kami Barkley – Northeast: summer meeting planning
  - b. Survey Committee/Flyer created
    - Manesseh Moore – data shared; over 700 of 1300 counselors responded to the survey. There was an overwhelming response that testing is the biggest area of concern. David Christian sent revisions to President Callaway (Wordsmith, not changing content). Moore shared the flyer will be ready by this weekend to get into hands of senators (electronic best). Flyer will be one page, front and back. Everyone needs to talk about what the counselor role should be. Share with everyone we know. Ford mentioned 450:1 is not a law; that goes through ADE based on National Model. To get items to governor, send to Commissioner Key. The survey flyer will be sent to all Arkansas State Legislators, Governor Hutchison and ADE Commissioner Keys. **Motion #2** by Laquetta Stewart and seconded by Kim Smith to approve the survey results and send the flyer on behalf of school counselors once the minor edits are completed. (All in favor)
  - c. PPL Report/Member appointed from each region?
    - Michelle Gerhardt – receiving reports from Lobbyist Jeffery Hall on bills filed; Monday is the swearing in; Committees are meeting. If there is a region PPL person, send names to Gerhardt to share info or to get info out quickly
  - d. Conference committee/Sponsorships-member from each region needed
    - Allison Spraggins – conference proposals and hotel information has been sent out. This week, registration is going out. Fees for conference and membership will remain two separate forms. Robin Sparks agreed to help with vendors/sponsors. One person per region needed to assist. Presidents are asked to send a name and contact information to Sparks. Last year a platinum sponsor hosted a break. Conference committee will meet to determine to survey/research on 2 day vs 3 day conference to present to the board.
  - e. Vice President Reports
    - Allison Spraggins – Counselor of the Year must be submitted only by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Regions shared their process on COY Nominations and voting. Region Presidents can work on making this more uniform for the future.

- f. ADE: Rodney Ford – ADE is watching the bills as well (Callaway shared article in AR Gazette – governor proposing to give counselors more student access)  
Suzanne Knowles – shared information from a bill received; not a bill yet with approved documents recommended; changes made but overall wording more a funding issue  
Ford shared GUIDE Principles. These are 5 major goals. Goal 3 Teaching Personal Competency (social emotional learning). The Guide for Life includes 5 skills for personal success. This is optional for teachers, not a required mandate, to teach social skills/non cognitive skills linked to academic standards. There will be an icon by each standard imbedded into the lesson. This will not affect counselors.  
G.U.I.D.E. = **G**rowth **U**nderstanding **I**nteraction **D**ecisions **E**mpathy

- g. Research

Dr. David Christian shared that 300 administrators completed the survey. The two projects are “Predicting College Enrollment of Graduating High School Seniors: How Accurate is Self-Report?” and “Shared Space, Shared Access? Exploring the Academic Experiences and Outcomes of Minority Students at a Public Suburban High School”. Both will be presented at the Evidence Based School Counseling Conference at Ohio State University in March. Dr. Christian suggested having other ArSCA representatives attend.

- h. Critical Incident/Crisis Response – Debbie Drake has agreed to take this position which was vacant and has been in touch with NOVA (National Organization for Victim Assistance) regarding possible training. She provided information on NOVA, a research based crisis response. Drake is sending a written report and asked for permission to attend and get this up and running. She is going to see if someone will speak at conference. It was suggested 2 persons per region to work with her as well. Drake also asked for suggestions and input from the board. AR Tech has a degree program of study and can be a resource as well as the AR Department of Emergency Management.
- i. Any additional committee reports  
Robin Finley provided information on the collaborative sessions for administrators which she has been asked to participate. School safety is the point; school counselor’s job is to take care of kids – safety and social emotional learning. (Senator Elliott, Senator Hill, Representative House)

- IV. Financial Report – reports were sent out prior to the meeting; no discussion

**Motion #3** by Regina Forehand and seconded by Carrie Johnston to accept the financial report as presented.

- V. Old Business

- a. Website update – Donna Wilchie shared the meeting held with Andrew Litchford who shared the progress of the new ArSCA Website. Content is needed as well as links for the new website. Some content can be pulled from the old website. The Technology Exploration Committee needs to meet to determine the content needed. A staging site was shared for board review. Content won’t take long since the hardest part is done. It will only take a few days to finalize. If not information is ready, the link can do nothing or be removed until ready.
- b. Handbook updates –  
Committee Members: Alicia Donner, Susan Whatley, Regina Forehand, Tina Wrobel, Laquetta Stewart and Kim Smith. The committee is meeting to revise the July 2015 handbook. A suggestion was offered to add a Historical Summary section.
- c. Arkansas School Counselor of Year Invitation to Washington, DC – Kelli Dockery is attending on behalf of ArSCA’s COY.
- d. Holiday Greetings sent from ArSCA to Legislative Members and Governor  
At the President’s Retreat, it was mentioned ArSCA sent messages in the past. President Callaway sent a card to the state, federal legislators, and governor.

- VI. New Business

- a. National Counselor Week Proclamation/Activities Photo with Governor – Jan. 24, 2019, 11:00am  
Please notify President Callaway if you are able to attend.
  - b. “School Counselors: Providing Lessons for Life” Order materials to use in your school on the ASCA website (free by Jan. 23rd). [www.schoolcounselor.org](http://www.schoolcounselor.org)  
President Callaway shared the date above to meet at the capital. Counselors will take a photo with the governor. Last year, he visited with the group. This is a good time to share on behalf of school counselors. School counselors use National School Counselor Week to advocate for their program and students. Regina Forehand shared that this is not about counselors but a week to affirm what counselors do while working with students with all needs (social emotional needs of all students).
  - c. Training offered to board members from ASCA  
Leisl Moriarty from ASCA sent an email to President Callaway asking the board to complete a survey by Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> “SCA Service Needs Form”. ASCA will share results with the state president and review the data together. The survey is providing the board’s stance on varied items.  
ASCA also sent information to the board for training
  - d. Items needed for COY nominees from Regional Presidents  
Send by Feb. 1st
  - e. Any additional business  
The board thanked President Callaway for sending Christmas Greeting Cards to lawmakers on behalf of the ArSCA Board.  
Recap by President Callaway – Regional Presidents send conference helper name to Robin Sparks.  
Allison Spraggins needs COY information by Feb. 1st. She will be sending out information again. Regional Presidents send 2 reps per region to Debbie Drake for NOVA Training.
- VII. Adjournment –Meeting adjourned by President Terri Callaway at 11:35pm **Motion #4** by Kim Smith and seconded by Dr. David Christian.
- VIII. Announcements: next meeting March 30, 2019 Conway - Ida Burns Elementary @10:00am-2:00pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Donna Wilchie

ArSCA Secretary

Date: January 12, 2019

### **Future Meetings**

**ArSCA** Board Meetings:

March 30, 2019 Conway - Ida Burns Elementary @10:00am-2:00pm

May 11, 2019 ZOOM @9:00am-12:00pm

ASCA National Conference June 29-July 2, 2019 Boston, MA

**ArSCA** Conference July 8-10, 2019 Hot Springs, AR

**Theme: Shoot for the Moon... Even if you miss, you will land among the Stars.**

ASCA National Conference June 27-June 30, 2020 Seattle, WA

**ArSCA** Conference July 13-15, 2020 Hot Springs, AR

**ArSCA** Conference June 28-30, 2021 Hot Springs, AR (corrected date)

ASCA National Conference July 11-14, 2021 Las Vegas, NV

ASCA National Conference July 9-12, 2022 Austin, TX

**ArSCA** Conference July 18-20, 2022 Hot Springs, AR (added date)

ASCA National Conference July 15-18, 2023 Atlanta, GA

