



## Arkansas School Counselor Association Board Meeting Minutes 04/01/17

10:00 a.m. Ida Burns Elementary 1201 Donaghey Avenue Conway, AR 72034

ArSCA Board & Leadership: denotes voting members	*Angie Gill ArSCA President	*Lisa Riels ArSCA President Elect
*meeting attendee	AISCA Fresident	Albea Tresident Licet
	*Terri Callaway,	*Tahnee Bowen
	ArSCA President Elect Elect &	ArSCA Past President
	Conference Committee Co-Chair (2017)	
Cindy Cossey	*Heather Leavell	*Donna Wilchie
<b>Elementary Vice President</b>	Central Region President	ArSCA Secretary & Hospitality
*Jennifer Lyle	Kim Liggett	*Susie Harvison
Middle/Jr. High Vice President	North Central Region President	ArSCA Treasurer &
		Professional Development
*Ramona Hill	*Breta Dean	*Suzanne Knowles
Senior High Vice President	Northeast Region President	ADE Guidance Representative
		*Rodney Ford
		ADE Guidance Representative
Pam Dixon	<mark>Julia Coffman</mark>	Alicia Donner
Post-Secondary Vice President	Northwest Region President	ArSCA Human Rights & Historian
	*Sandy Hollingsworth	
	Southeast President	
	*Fanny Neely	
	Southwest President	
Angie Gill & Chris Riggins	Michelle Gerhardt & *Roger	*Susan Whatley & *Chris Riggins
Membership	Palmer	ArSCA Public Relations & Advocacy
	Public Policy & Legislation	and Social Media
Summer Conference:	Technology/Website:	*Laquietta Stewart, Ethics
Terri Calloway	Robin Finley	
Allison Spraggins	Toni Thorn	Finance – OPEN POSITION
Julia Coffman	Tawyna Shelton	Grant Writer – OPEN POSITION
	Heather Barron	

- I. Call to Order The April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was called to order by President Angie Gill with 18 present 10 ArSCA voting members, 8 nonvoting. (Sign-in with attendees on file)
- II. Approval of Minutes Previous Minutes from February were emailed out by Secretary Donna Wilchie and approved in a vote today. Motion #1 to accept the minutes by Terri Calloway, seconded by Lisa Riels.

## III. Reports

1. Treasurer's Report: Susie Harvison, Office Manager – reports provided for Line By Line Budget and checks received and paid. Our 501C6 is complete by the accountant. Discussion was held about a check that bounced due to a member's purse being stolen. A policy will need to be in place in order to charge a fee if this happens again. Motion #2 by Heather Leavell and seconded by Breta Dean to charge the member/customer a fee for all charges incurred by ArSCA when a payment is insufficient. Membership total is 554 – Central 58, North Central 63, Northeast 93, Northwest 116, South East 62, Southwest 162. Due to some not sharing e mail address with Susie, she can't confirm all members.

A card was shared from Suzanne Knowles thanking ArSCA for the plant sent in memory of her mother who passed away.

Roger Palmer updated us on the lobbyist Jeffrey Hall. The choice and communication about him is very positive. He updates and sends information often to PP&L. Charlotte Douglas is trying to write a bill to take the duties of test coordinator from school counselors. In the past, the bill was not written well and depends on the counselors roles in various districts. Suzanne Knowles stated she turned in 450to1, testing not direct counseling, and changing word of "or" to "and" classroom guidance being no more than 3 classes per week "and" no more than 10 per day. (corrected May 13<sup>th</sup>)

2. Conference Committee 2017 – Terri Calloway decided we will sign up for committees next month since this is testing time. At this time 76 registered, 45 presenters, 13 exhibitors. Please inform vice presidents from each region he or she is responsible for a share session at conference. ArSCA has our own form online so others can sign up even with the current way to register. As questions arise, communication has been done to help those with concerns. Bids for t-shirts will be ready by next month so the board can vote on the company. Vinyl decals are being considered as another item to sell for about \$5. The silent auction philanthropy has not been decided yet. Region presidents are to ask around to determine some ideas for the board to select and inform the membership. AR Children's Hospital has been the organization for years. Ronald McDonald House is another option

discussed. Each region is responsible for one or more items to provide for the silent auction.

Motion #3 by Lisa Riels and seconded by Fannie Neely to support Ronald McDonald House for the philanthropy project for ArSCA.

- 3. Region Reports: none shared
- IV. Old Business none shared
- V. New Business -
  - 1. Update Bylaws was completed during this meeting. Susan Whatley will send the new copy to President, Past President, and Secretary to share with the membership. They must first be submitted by the president to ASCA this month.
  - 2. COY Packets shared with regional presidents to review and vote. Final votes are due to Vice President Lisa Riels by next week: Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - 3. Hugh Lovett Memorial Scholarship One person has asked to apply. Unfortunately, we do not have any submissions at the time.

## VI. Meeting Adjourned

Motion #4 - Meeting adjourned by President Angie Gill at 1:13pm; motion by Lisa Riels and seconded by Terri Calloway.

## Calendar for Meetings 10:00am-1:00pm

May 13<sup>th</sup> (this day may be changed), June 24<sup>th</sup> (mtg and LDI)

ASCA National Conference July 9-12, 2017 Denver, Colorado

ArSCA Conference July 19-21, 2017 Hot Springs (next two years of contract)

Respectfully Submitted:

Donna Wilchie

ArSCA Secretary

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February 6, 2017

NE ArSCA Regional Report (submitted by Breta Dean via email)

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Handbook and Bylaws Alicia Donner aliciadonner@live.com

The Northeast Region had a Christmas Party/Board Meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup> at Alicia Donner's house. We added some new members to our board and introduced them. We made a motion and it was approved that board members be dismissed from their duties for non-attendance of 3 meetings missed in a row. We discussed that ArSCA is gathering ideas/concerns for holding a Fall Conference. Regions will be responsible for assisting ArSCA on a rotational basis to hold these meetings within that region.

The date for the NEArSCA Summer Conference will be June 15, 2017 to be held at the National Guard Armory in Jonesboro. The National Guard will provide us with the place and will also feed everyone at the conference. Our Conference will include a 2 hour 504 session presented by Sharese Cross from the ADE, a 2 hour Child Maltreatment session presented by Lea Ann Vanaman-Stidham, Area 4 Supervisor with the Arkansas State Police Crimes Against Children's Division, a 1 hour Google document session presented by Samantha Tilley (one for elementary and one for secondary that we will alternate with the share sessions) and then share sessions for elementary and secondary will be 1 hour each. We discussed liking the Facebook pages. We are going to select our Counselor of the Year at our next meeting which will be March 14, 2017 at 5:30 at the San Francisco Bread Company in Jonesboro. We discussed coming up with ideas for our T-shirt design and possible door prizes and giveaways. We are looking into a planner of something we can put our logo on. We are also looking at selecting a new President elect starting July 1st. We have just updated our NE Board Handbook and are looking at our Bylaws that may need to be updated.

The Southeast Region recently selected their Counselors of the Year. Formal recommendation letters were received for the seven nominees. A survey was sent out to region members to collect votes, and then a committee decision was made based on the region's votes and recommendation letters for each candidate. We are pleased to announce the recipients in the areas of Elementary, Middle School/Junior High, Secondary, and Post-Secondary. Lori Wilson from DeWitt Elementary School was chosen as the Elementary Counselor of the Year; Stacy Noechel from Cabot Middle School North was granted the title of Middle School/Junior High Counselor of the Year; Secondary Counselor of the Year was awarded to Karen Talent from Woodlawn High School, and Lisa Riels from UAM College of Technology in Crossett, was the recipient for the region's Post-Secondary Counselor of the Year. Congratulations to all of these wonderful counselors who have a passion for their students and professions!

Several contacts have been made to try to obtain a copy of the region's by laws, but there has been no luck in locating a previous copy from when they were updated in 2006. There was some discussion between some of the bylaws committee members to try to get a copy of another region's by laws and meet to come up with our own.

A list of Southeast Region members was recently received from ArSCA. Sixty-two members were on the list, and we need to build this back up. A post to the list serve was made to encourage counselors to join or renew their memberships. Hopefully, membership will be on the increase as conference time approaches.

Summer Conference is right around the corner! Southeast Region folks, we hope to see you there!