

# **Arkansas School Counselor Association (ArSCA) Board Meeting Minutes**

**8-29-15; 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Meeting Room at Wild Hog BBQ in NLR**

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Tahnee Bowen, 2015-16 ArSCA President.**
- 2. Fifteen Board Members and Guests were present:**  
Tahnee Bowen, President; Angie Gill, President Elect; Lisa Riels, President Elect-Elect; Cathy Edmonds, Past President; Breta Dean, NE Region President; Kim Liggett, NC Region President; Denise Rogers, SW Region President; Karon Parrish SE Region President; Cindy Cossey, ArSCA Elementary VP; Susie Harvison, ArSCA Treasurer; Robin R. Sparks, PP&L; Susan Whatley, Publicity and Advocacy; Alicia Donner, Human Rights and Historian; Laquietta Stewart, NE Region Past President; Evelyn Cash, guest / ArSCA Past President 1987-88 and 1998-99. In the absence of Lynn Murry, ArSCA Secretary, Alicia Donner will record the minutes.
- 3. Well wishes were shared from Past ArSCA Presidents on this ArSCA Board's step today into being the newly independent Arkansas School Counselor Association. These wishes were shared by texts, emails and in person.**
- 4. Tahnee Bowen polled the 6 Regional Presidents for the dates of upcoming regional meetings. SW – Mid January; SE – November; NC – October; NW – November 8; NE – End of October; Central Region President was unable to be present today.**
- 5. After a discussion, Tahnee Bowen states that she will compile the information about our successful recent vote with the actions that followed. The vote and actions determined us to be ArSCA, independent from Arkansas Counseling Association (ArCA). The format for this information will be a succinct statement with graph which will be used to explain the details of the changes we are undergoing to all our current and future members.**
- 6. Susie Harvison, shared the Treasurer's five Reports. Copies are attached with these minutes. ( #1. Summary July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015 #2. Fiscal Year 2014-15 #3. Line by Line Budget Report 2014-15 #4. Fiscal Year 2015-2016 #5. Line by Line Budget Report 2015-2016 ) Susie stated that a \$27,000 gain was reported**

from the ArSCA/ADE Conference in July of 2015 with all expenses paid out at this time.

7. After a lengthy discussion about dues for the newly independent ArSCA membership this coming year, three motions were made and several points were determined.

Motion #1 "A motion was made to make ArSCA dues \$75 yearly for practicing school counselors. Retired counselors dues \$40 yearly and student in a school counselor training program \$40 yearly" Motion by Cathy Edmonds; Second by Karon Parrish. PASSED unanimously (For – 8, Against – 0)

Motion #2 "I make a motion to give each region \$10.00 of the yearly dues of \$75.00" Motion by Lisa M. Riels; Second by Angie Gill. PASSED unanimously (For – 9, Against – 0)

Motion #3 "ArSCA membership dues for members renewing or new members that want to pay dues August 29, 2015 through June 30, 2016 the amount will be \$30. Dues for 1 year will begin July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$75." Motion by Karon Parrish; Second by Lisa Riels. PASSED unanimously (For – 8, Against – 0) See CHART

## **Dues for ArSCA**

<input type="checkbox"/> September 1, 2015- June 30, 2016	<u><b>\$30.00</b></u>
<i>Only for the first partial year of ArSCA's independence</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> July 1, 2015-June 30, 2017	<u><b>\$75.00</b></u>

Susan Whatley and Tahnee Bowen will work on a Dues Form and a July 2017 ArSCA/ADE Conference Registration Form.

8. After a brief discussion, it was determined that ArSCA will proceed with an ArSCA booth at the November 2015 ArCA Conference. Tahnee Bowen, with ArSCA Board members, will work in that booth. In addition, ArSCA will welcome a booth by ArCA at the 2017 ArSCA/ADE Conference in July.

9. After a brief discussion, it was determined that the ArSCA Board was not ready to hire an office manager.

10. Tahnee Bowen reported that our new website is very close to going live. The website will be secure and encrypted. It will be able to accept credit card payments.

11. Paid members of ArSCA will begin receiving new membership cards. There will be a new numbering system. It is likely the new member cards will be assigned a number that will either begin or end with the letters "SC".



12. Tahnee Bowen and Susan Whatley reported to the ArSCA Board that the name used by ArSCA has gone through the name trademark process.
13. Robin Sparks and Susan Whatley will quickly begin to make contact with two or three lobbyists to get bids on this service for ArSCA.
14. There was a brief discussion of the importance of the ArSCA Board and ArSCA members to extend an invitation to administrators to join the ArSCA FB page.
15. Our next meeting will be held October 3, 2015 in Jacksonville at the Nixon Library from 10:00 a.m-12 noon.
16. With no further business, a motion was made by Cathy Edmonds and second by Angie Gill to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by  
Alicia Donner