



Arkansas School Counselor Association

ArSCA Board Meeting

Minutes 11/20/21

9:00am-1:00pm

Zoom

Attendance (voting members in BOLD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Allison Spraggins , ArSCA President		6 Regions: C, NC, NE, NW, SE, SW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelli Dockery , ArSCA President Elect	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kim Hebel Central Region President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laquetta Stewart , ArSCA Past President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Curtis , North Central Region President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Orene Morgan , Elementary Vice President (odd year)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Hicks , Northeast Region President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marisa Snow , Middle/Jr. High Vice President (even year)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lindsey Raberding , Northwest Region President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Angie Nix , Secondary Vice President (odd year)		Amanda Johnson , Southeast President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suzy Toms , Post-Secondary Vice President (even year)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ramona Hill , Southwest President
Andrea Fortner, DESE Program Director Rodney Ford, DESE Public School Program Advisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Susie Harvison, Office Manager & Professional Development
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Donna Wilchie, ArSCA Secretary & Hospitality
Finance: Past President & Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alicia Donner, ArSCA Human Rights & Historian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Drake, Critical Incident & Crisis Response	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Susan Whatley, ArSCA Public Relations & Advocacy and Social Media
Dr. Valerie Couture and Dr. David Christian, Research		Michelle Gerhardt, Public Policy & Legislation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pamela Parkman, Grant Writer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Sparks, Grant Writer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Linda Whiteside, Ethics Terri Callaway, Conference Chair
Technology/Website: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Finley <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tahnee Bowen Heather Barron Rhonda Jones Becky Lowery Manesseh Moore Megan Reese Tawyna Shelton		Additional Attendees:





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Meeting Called to Order at 9:04am by President Allison Spraggins

I. Roll Call/Verify that all regions are represented – 21 in attendance with 12 voting, 9 nonvoting

II. Approval of Minutes (September 25th Zoom Meeting)

Motion #1 Kelli Dockery made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction from crisis to ethics. The motion was seconded by Laquietta Stewart. (All in favor)

III. Financial Report

Susie Harvison shared the financial report with information from the end of the month. Discussion held to provide an understanding of the budget. Discussion was tabled regarding the region accounts and how to smoothly transition the officers, especially the treasurer. Finances of the regions are the responsibility of the board. Tahnee Bowen also shared the need to note a membership expiration date to not have confusion on members. Robin Finley shared the great need for a Google Workspace when we get our emails set up. This will aide in keeping everything streamlined.

Motion #2 by Ramona Hill and seconded by Lindsey Raberding to accept the financial report. (All in favor)

IV. Reports of Officers and Committees

a. Regional President Reports

Central Kim Hebel - conference Nov 4th at UCA with 28 attending, accepting COY nominations and President Elect; treasurer may change but working on that

North Central Michelle Curtis - meeting in the fall to discuss COY, looking for location for spring meeting

Northeast Chris Hicks – set up business account, upcoming Christmas meeting will address COY nominations and search for new treasurer (current one retiring)

Northwest Lindsey Raberding - fall meeting held Oct 22nd; had to turn down registrations due to lack of space after 108 registered, 90 attended. Camp War Eagle provided lunch, a local therapy group provided breakfast. Region spent \$1,000 on counselor prizes; great conference with everyone receiving a goodie bag; need to set meeting for COY

Southeast – not in attendance today, no report shared

Southwest Ramona Hill Feb 25th Henderson state, use their cater, working on COY

b. Conference Committee

1. Terri Callaway, Conference Chair

*Forms ready to go out January 10

2. Tahnee Bowen - App decision

3. Keynote-Information from Linda W. on possibility of Carolyn Stone

Terri Callaway, Conference Chair has been in contact with convention center about the two rooms. Horner Hall will be classroom style with chairs on the site for whole group. Room 206-209 will cut down on the AV costs since AV is already there. The rooms are secured. Tahnee Bowen is checking on the conference tracker app and registration using the app. We have a \$2,636 credit at this time and will make it cheaper for us since we are familiar with it. Registration can be done with credit cards, therefore, removing the use of ASCA. Last year, the company advertised a virtual option. Robin Finley (speaking with DESE Andrea) agrees with Conference Tracker to make it work well with the requirements of DESE. This will allow us to go without scanning attendees in and out of sessions. Conference Committee will make the final decision on the app and meeting to continue planning over the next two months.

Allison Spraggins checking into keynote speakers. Those she had communication with have not responded. Carolyn Stone is one in the making with reply to come back from Linda Whiteside. ArSCA is looking at one keynote speaker being possible.

c. Technology Committee

1. Robin Finley-Update on Board Member Email Addresses

We want every region to have an email address at the cost of \$5 fee now \$6 (Google increase in prices) – President, Past President, Secretary, ArSCA Office Manager, Tech/Media, and maybe Conference/Professional Development. Each region will have a drive to store information. The goal is to have this task completed before Christmas Break. This will allow conference communication to be sent from our professional email. This will be an average of \$1,200 yearly. Allison Spraggins suggested we create a new line item in the budget to not take away from other budgets. The amount paid to our web developer A. Litchford covers all needed for adding the emails. R. Finley has been communicating with A. Litchford in regards to the updates and the bid on the cost to update our site to meet the requirements of these accessibility features.

Motion #3 by Laquietta Stewart and seconded by Lindsey Raberding to add the \$1,200 as a line item to the budget for the Google workspace. (All in favor)

d. Vice Presidents Reports – Accounts in the ASCA Portal will be set up for each of the VPs so the COY will be familiar to them.

Elementary Vice President Orene Morgan shared the need for a drive for lessons for counselors to share across the state. Starting in January, the drive will be opened for other counselors to add items to the drive.

Middle/Jr. High Vice President Marisa Snow - no report

Secondary Vice President Angie Nix - no report

Post-Secondary Vice President Suzy Toms - no report

e. ADE updates Andrea Fortner/Rodney Ford – not in attendance, no report to share

f. ArSCA Connects - Susan Whatley shared the monthly meetings. November's was behavior modifications. The December meeting will not be held. All will resume in January with two potential speakers lined up by Michelle Lewis (former ArSCA President, current principal) and a behavior specialist.

g. Sponsorship Report - Pam Parkham, no report today

h. Crisis Response - Debbie Drake-Gordon

TRIS information shared by Debbie Drake Gordon regarding Trauma Resources in Schools led by UAMS. A grant was written through Blue Cross and Blue Shield. She also wants to duplicate a grant from NOVA and Walmart to hold a training for ArSCA.

i. Ethics Committee - Linda Whiteside

1. ASCA Ethics Review

Alicia Donner, Historian reported on behalf of Linda Whiteside. The ArSCA Ethics Committee is working in conjunction with the standards created by ASCA (Cassie Haynes, Lindsey Raberding, Alicia Donner and Linda Whiteside). Several meetings have been held with sharing documents and the work to be completed by the national committee. Chairperson Whiteside has national meetings and shares with the committee. Suggestion to pay close attention to the standards: A5 Dual Relationships, A6 Appropriate Referrals and Advocacy and A11 Bullying, Harassment and Child Abuse. The committee is to take a close look at Title IX and the standards that effect schools, especially small or sub populations. Arkansas seems to be leading the way with our work and documents. Standard A11 has a January deadline.

Suggested reading: "Education in a Pandemic: The Disparate Impacts of COVID-10 on America's Students" (Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights)

j. Any additional committee reports

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

- a. Holiday card to Legislation – Allison Spraggins will get emails from Jeffrey Hall.
- b. ASCA has sent invites to the COY to attend the Gala in Washington for the 2021 and 2022 state SCOY with some costs being provided by ASCA.

Meeting adjourned at 11:02 am. (Motion #4 Laquietta Stewart and seconded by Lindsey Raberding)
Respectfully Submitted by Donna Wilchie, ArSCA Secretary

Future Meetings:

(all via zoom 9am-1pm unless otherwise noted):

January 29, 2022

March 12, 2022

May 21, 2022

Future Meetings/Conferences:

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

ArSCA Conference July 18-20, 2022 Hot Springs, AR

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

ASCA National Conference July 13-16, 2024 Kansas City, MO