



# **Arkansas School Counselor Association**

**ArSCA Board Meeting** 

# Minutes 3/12/22

9:00am-1:00pm

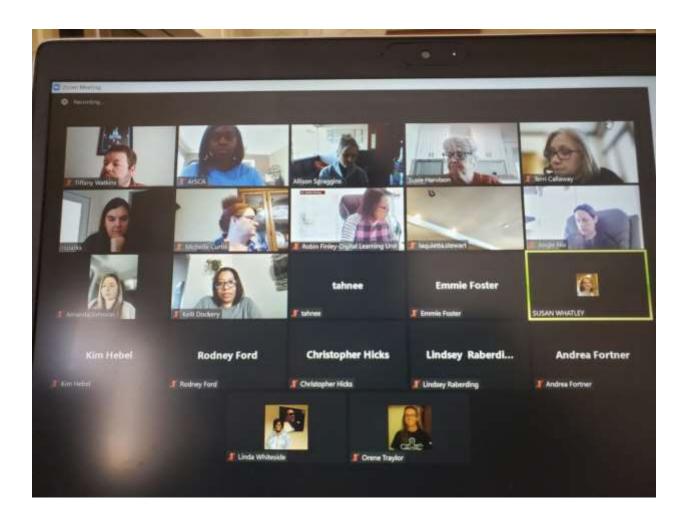
## Zoom

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

Megan Reese Tawyna Shelton	











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ArSCA Board Meeting
March 12, 2022
9:00 a.m. via ZOOM

Meeting Called to Order

- I. Roll Call/Verify that all regions represented (22 present: 12 voting; 10 nonvoting)
- II. Approval of Minutes

\*January 29 (Zoom Meeting) – Motion #1 by Michelle Curtis and seconded by Laquietta Stewart to accept the minutes with one correction of changing "not" to "now" on the third page at the top regarding Guide For Life being part of DESE Counseling Unit. All in favor

### III. Financial Report

\*Susie-Tax Information – Susie Harvison explained the new system in Conference Tracker and the smoothness of conference registration. She and Tahnee Bowen are working together. Motion #2 by Kelli and seconded by Amanda Johnson to accept the financial report.

All in favor

Susie Harvison addressed her position and driving to check the PO Box. She asked about now accepting mileage and ArSCA file it on taxes. ArSCA pays board members for miles travelled for ArSCA business and she is on the board. Motion #3 by Laquietta Stewart and seconded by Amanda Johnson for Susie to keep up with her mileage when conducting all ArSCA business. All in favor

- IV. Reports of Officers and Committees
  - a. Ethics Committee-Linda Whiteside
    - 1. ASCA Ethics Review Progress no additional information to report
  - b. Regional President Reports

**Northeast** (Chris Hicks) – He gave a shout out to NC President Michelle Curtis allowing a co-counselor of the year due to an error of the region voting for a person in their region. NE will purchase the plaque for that person. Summer workshop set with an invitation to the regional presidents to attend free of charge June 23, 2022.

**North Central** (Michelle Curtis) March 18, 2022 meeting scheduled with most presentations through zoom: ArSCA President Spraggins, DESE Rep Ford and DESE Rep Fortner, anxiety, and special education changes, etc.

**Southwest** (Nathan Watkins sub for Ramona Hill) – rescheduled date is now April 4, 2022 to award counselors of the year and host regular scheduled meeting.

**Southeast** Amanda Johnson – Excited about a full board now in place. Their current messaging system has announced the next meeting and counselor of year nominations, only two areas filled (not elementary). Amanda will contact the past president to get the bank account updated since she is not on the account as the originally thought.

**Northwest** (Lindsey Raberding) – Elected school counselor of year and hosting the April 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Mixer as a get together and check in.

**Central** (Kim Hebel) - promoting summer conference and working to fill open board positions.

### c. Conference Committee

- 1. Terri-Conference Chair 166 attendees signed up (151 face to face and 15 virtual), 55 elementary, 78 secondary, 15 presenters
- Carolyn Stone is the scheduled speaker for Monday speaker will do one breakout session after her keynote. This will possibly be with all the attendees. Dr. John Hodge is scheduled for Tuesday and doing two breakout sessions in one room. Conference Tracker is very user friendly and working well for the committee. Tahnee Bowen has corrected any errors after attendees contact the committee. Conference Tracker is costing about \$3,000 for ArSCA yet it manages everything regarding conference. Terri reminded each region to sign up for their share session. Presenter suggestions can be sent to Terri as well.
- 2. Technology side report Robin Finley shared "Ready for Life" through DESE. She sent an email to the board this morning about the new career platform. DESE is looking for 3-6 HS counselors in the Russellville area and one student using this new platform. This platform is the governor's initiative with many resources for secondary. Andrea Fortner shared more information and commented it being for grades 9-12. Trainings are available on the site paid and free. The platform is new and growing; a great addition to use for Student Success Plans.
- d. Technology Committee Robin Finley addressed the new emails. It has been suggested to continue through August so everyone will be aware and familiar of the new emails. Add notes to the current and new email address that this is a new email. Anyone needing assistance can email Robin Finley to get help with connecting multiple emails (those with gmail emails prior to our professional emails).

- e. Vice Presidents Reports
- 1. School Counselor of the Year Marissa Snow shared all applications were due March  $11^{\rm th}$ . Most have completed the forms for NW and Central Regions, which are Marissa's regions. All VPs were on the meeting to learn the process for next year.
- 2. Hugh Lovett Scholarship Susie Toms gave information to Allison Spraggins regarding the scholarship since she could not attend today. There are a few applicants to vote on and that will be sent to voting members.
- f. DESE updates Andrea Fornter shared that DESE, ArSCA and ASCA with the same topic of Suicide Prevention. Unfortunately, DESE and ArSCA dates are the same. Any topics not covered at the ArSCA Conference can be emailed to Andrea's and she will work to get a presenter.

Rodney Ford shared

- g. ArSCA Connects Susan Whatley shared topics of interest in the future. The next ArSCA Connects is Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. Any topics of interest from others can
- h. Sponsorship Report Pam Parkman and Robin Sparks shared the sponsorship information that Pam emailed to the board. Robin asked that everyone refer back to the spreadsheet Pam sent to everyone to get donations and sponsorships for conference. A suggestion was offered to post sponsorship information on our personal social media pages if we pull it from the ArSCA social media pages. President Spraggins and Susan Whatley will work on a sponsorship release that can be posted on social media outlets.
- i. Any additional committee reports no reports

#### V. Old Business

Increasing budget for Google Workspace –tabled until later but everyone think about it

VI. New Business – Kelli Dockery is working on tshirt designs for conference. One printing shop has returned prices and three more are in process. Shirt and merchandise ideas can be sent to Kelli.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 am. (Motion #4 Chris Hicks and seconded by Laquietta Stewart) Respectfully Submitted by Donna Wilchie, ArSCA Secretary

## **Future Meetings:**

(all via zoom 9am-1pm unless otherwise noted): May 21, 2022

### **Future Conferences:**

ArSCA Conference June 27-29, 2022 Hot Springs, AR
ASCA National Conference July 9-12, 2022 Austin, TX
ArSCA Conference June 26 - 28, 2023
ASCA National Conference July 15-18, 2023 Atlanta, GA
ArSCA Conference June 24 - 26, 2024
ASCA National Conference July 13-16, 2024 Kansas City, MO
ArSCA Conference June 23 - 25, 2025