

LDI September 2022

Members Present: Allison Spraggins has list of members present  
Meeting called to order at 1:57

**Old Business** Read and review May 's board meeting minutes

Chris Hicks made a motion to approve May's minutes. Linda Whiteside second the motion. All members agreed to accept the minutes as read.

**Treasury Report**—Suzie Harvison

Chris Hicks made a motion to approve the treasurer report. Lindsey Raberding seconded the motion. 147 virtual/382 in-person attendees for the ArSCA conference for a received total of \$155,699.00 and refund total of \$2284.00. \$67,124 in expenses.

All voting members agreed to accept the treasury report

Tawney discussed the \$3 charge for credit card fee charge is still appropriate.

84 new counselors attended the conference this year.

**2022-2023 Budget**—Allison Spraggins noted adjustments made for office manager expenses \$6,000 to \$ 4,610 due to a decrease in need for office expenses.

The technology budget will remain the same:

Google Workspace line item will increase by \$16 due to rising costs. The new budget will be \$2016.

Take out line item listserv, domain name and social media.

Conference Tracker budget has been increased to \$7,000 due to rising costs.

Discussion of giving options for Hugh Lovett Scholarship (1) to be dispersed in 2 separate payments of \$500 each semester or (2) disperse the scholarship directly to the university.

Spraggins explained that a committee will be formed to develop an application process for counselors who work in a smaller/lower paying districts that do not pay conf. registration. ArSCA will cover registration fees for the applicant.

Reflection on the request for an interpreter, a policy will be added that provides accommodations for counselors that need an interpreter for the conference.

Chris Hicks made a motion to accept the 2022-2023 budget. Nathan Watkins seconded the motion.

Regional Presidents Report: All regional presently reviewing bylaws

**Technology Committee:** Robin Finley reported 787 counselors currently on listserv. Suggested posting on the listserv to notify non-Arsca members that the listserv will only be available for ArSCA members.

Orene Morgan made a motion to remove non-member access to the listserv on October 15, 2022. Nathan Watkins seconded the motion. All voting members agreed.

Robin explained that the website was not ADA compliant. Michelle made a motion to seek prices to make adjustments to website. Laquietta seconded the motion. All members agreed.

**New Business:**

Robin Finley reported the technical difficulties during the conference, and reported that glitches have been corrected. Allison Spraggins proposed a stipend of \$2000 for the technology team due to the countless hours of work. Suzie Harvison made a motion to pay \$2000 stipend. Terri Callaway seconded the motion. Laquetta Stewart made a motion to give two other members of the digital learning team \$500 each. Linda Whiteside seconded the motion. All voting members agreed. We will add a new committee DEI (Diversity Equity and Inclusion) with Alicia Donner as the chair. Laquetta Stewart will replace Alicia as the ArSCA Historian.

Crisis Response Committee Report–Debbie Drake reported that the committee is searching for grants. Asking for each regional president to select 2 members from their region to serve on the committee to provide trauma and grief support. Contact information [debbiereese@windstream.net](mailto:debbiereese@windstream.net)

Ethics Report: Linda Whiteside stated that the ArSCA ethics were reviewed and approved.

Allison Spraggins provided information on NCYI regarding partnering during the conference. Services are \$32,000. Asked for feedback on if this service is needed. Feedback included that this conference included quality speakers and sessions, the registration/payment process was easier than in the past years, people in our organization who are skilled to do the work.

Suggestions: (1. Call for presenters go out in **October** and request a pre-recorded session. If the presenters turn in all information and pre-recorded session, they will receive a discount on their conference fee. 2. Shorten the time that the virtual sessions are available. Proposed that 4 rooms will be used for sessions during the conference. Recording will occur in one room in order to focus on technology, equipment, etc. Also suggested adding a salary to the technology position and benefits and challenges were discussed. The amount will be set at a later date.

After detailed discussion, it was decided not to hire NCYI 's services at this time.

Laquetta Stewart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:10. Michelle Curtis seconded the motion.

Meeting Minutes Submitted by Kelli Dockery, ArSCA President-Elect