Minutes from the May 25, 2023 Meeting

Meeting Called to Order at 3:45 p.m. by President, Allison Spraggins

Roll called/not enough voting members present at time meeting was called to order to vote on approval or minutes or financial report.

Attendance:

*Terri Callaway-Southwest President/Conference Chair *Jennifer Coats-Middle/Jr Level VP *Orene Morgan-Elementary VP

*Susan Whatley-Publicity and Advocacy Chair/Standing in for Central Region President

Susie Harvison-Office Manager/Treasurer

*Chris Hicks-Northeast President

Alicia Donner-

*Allison Spraggins-President

Robin Finley-Friendly Finleys

Linda Whiteside-Ethics Chair

*Kelli Dockery-President-Elect

Officer Reports:

Ethics-Nothing to Report

Regional Presidents:

-SW-Nothing to Report

-NW-Nothing to Report: out on maternity leave

-NE-Workshop on June 22, 62 Registered, complimentary membership upon registration booster membership. Going to share the process with other regional presidents.

-SE-Nothing to report. Going to have regional meeting at conference.

-Central-Nothing to Report

-NC-Nothing to Report

Regions make sure you notify the board of your replacement if your term is ending.

Vice Presidents-plaques have been ordered for SCOY

Conference Committee-

420 registered for conference. Down a little from past years. Believe that THRIVE is hurting attendance.

2 platinum sponsors and other sponsors still coming in.

Schedule was sent out and Terri is thankful for the input from the board on sessions and scheduled times. That information will be sent out soon to attendees.

Share sessions will be held Tuesday from 5-5:30. Those that are interested will stay.

Regional Presidents need to get volunteers for ArSCA Booth and remember silent auction items. Also remind your members of coke tab collection.

New Member informational reception will be at 5:00 on Monday of conference. All board members are asked to attend.

Sunday afternoon between 12-1 volunteers will need to arrive to help with conference set up. Exhibitors will arrive at 5.

We now have enough voting members in attendance. Circled back to vote on Minutes and Financial report

Chris Hicks made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Orene Morgan seconded it. All in favor.

Chris Hicks made a motion to accept the current financial report. Terri Callaway seconded it. All in favor.

ArSCA Connects-May 16 Cheri Byford presented. Possible future speakers from region presidents? No other committee chairs with information to present.

No old business

New Business:

-Conference contract with the Hot Springs Convention center for future dates

-They have presented us with a contract for 2025 and 2026. There has been talk of moving the conference around the state. What are our thoughts on that? Possible places Rogers Convention Center, Jonesboro or ASU, Fort Smith-some said too far. Allison will send out a survey form to the ListServ about possible move.

-Allison stated that gathering information may take a little time. How about we sign the contract for 2025 and explore possibilities for 2026 knowing we might lose those dates but being willing to explore other options. Group discussion was in agreeance for that.

Susan Whatley (Voting member for Central Region) made a motion to accept and sign the 2025 contract with the Hot Springs Convention Center. Chris Hicks seconded it. All in favor.

Terri will get the contract to the appropriate people to sign from the Hot Springs Convention Center.

-Open offices-Laquietta gave an update that we have 2 people running for Secondary VP, 1 person running for President-Elect, and 0 running for Elementary VP to date.

No more new business, nothing left to discuss.

Orene Morgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terri Callaway seconded it. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Submitted by President Allison Spraggins