ALHA Board Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2018

**Board Members Present**

Josh Williams-President

Aaron Loehndorf- Vice President (by phone)

Judy Costello- Treasurer (by phone)

Joleen Linson- Secretary

Chris Adams- Communications (by phone)

Jeanine Thompson- Northeast District Representative (by phone)

Leon Tidwell- Central District Representative

David Fowler- Northwest District Representative (by phone)

Sheila Ballard- South District Representative (by phone)

**Approval of Minutes**: Kim Posey needs to be changed to Kim Hosey. Kim is in charge of communications for SEALHFAM. Sheila Ballard made motion to approve minutes with change. Leon Tidwell seconded. Motion passed with no opposition.

**Secretary:** Still have about183 members. PO Box is up for renewal. Joleen will send Judy and Josh the link for online payment.

**Committee Reports**

Finance: Same position as before. NW had a workshop and we need to pay them. We’ve run out of checks and will get with the bank about changing the address on the checks. We have received the check from AHC. Website renewal will be coming up at the end of October. It will be $972 for the year.

Awards/Scholarships: Nothing to report. Scholarship will go out with registration opening.

Communications: Added to the member page where they can put their interests up- some have done this already, will send out another email about it. Has created a procedure for asking for workshop money. Needs any events sent to him so he can post them on the website. You can download the website app on your phone. Anyone looking for people for events can send it to Chris as well. Website: Josh added under member sections- apprentice sessions, certification, old newsletter; Board Members- any document we use a lot, 4 categories of documents; board members and committee members listed on about us page.

Education

**Northeast:** Just returned from a hearth cooking workshop in St. Louis; Tulip Academy will be in April at Powhatan, School of the Ladies will be in the spring of 2019

**Central:** The Old State House reopened First Ladies exhibit; apprenticeship workshop was held on September 8th, 2FAN had the grounds open with activities; Behind the Big House wil be March 29-30, 2019; Barbara Ward officially retires Oct 1, Friday September 28 will be a retirement party at noon

**Northwest:** Living History 101 workshop at Shiloh in July- 16 people; talked about doing something with Tom Wing; David appreciates the ALHA turnout at Tahlequah and all the work they did to help; Hunters Home- Antique Ag is Oct 5-7, ghost stories is Oct 26-27; Prairie Grove Battle- Dec 7th-9th, they have hired a new interpreter. Looking at Cane Hill for the 2020 conference.

**South:** October 13th- apprentice certification workshop, will be offering communication classes, build your character, practice character for journeyman; January 2019- Karen Duffy- Polite Society- workshop on fine tuning persona; October- Harness and Driving workshop; Washington After Dark

Certification: documents on website; different trainings, special pins for different levels, Aaron was looking at a logo revamp- Preston had mentioned being interested in helping, Aaron will follow-up, will maybe have ideas by next meeting

Conference: Looking at the Albert Pike or Women’s City Club for events; trying to keep conference registration fee to between $65-$80; conference room rates are state government rates; no comped hospitality room at the hotel; we will check on Trapnell Hall; have not received any session proposals, goal is to open registration November 19th, early bird ends January 18th and registration closes on February 8th. Scholarship information will go out with registration opens; ALHFAM will pay some on the conference, looking for other sponsors. Two potential keynote speakers- Michael Fallin or Jim Lauderdale, we will pay mileage at government rate and hotel; looking at no more than $1000.00. Discussion about both of them. Motion made by Aaron to extend the invitation to Jim Lauderdale, Leon seconded, motion passed no oppositon

**Old Business:** In regards to the constitution- looking at changing membership dues, form a committee, renew based on when they joined, can be difficult to keep track of when they joined if we change webhost, we will keep membership dues as is

**New Business:** Do we need to form a nominating committee? President, Secretary and Central are all term limited, South is up for reelection. It would be a lot smoother if we had a nominating committee; suggestions for someone to chair committee- Josh can appoint committee; find one person from each district and they can pick chair. District reps find a representative for committee by October 19th, need names of nominees by January 4th.

Motion to adjourn made by Leon. Sheila seconded. Motion passed with no opposition. Next board meeting will be in December.