

AMHA BOD MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 9,2023

7:05 pm Lexington, Kentucky

Call to order D.Hopkins

Roll Call: S. Hutchcraft - Present: D.Hopkins, S. Peterson, S.Hutchcraft, K.Slobody, M.Grayson, A.Tarap, J.Elliott. H.Elder, S.Hester. On Zoom: K.Lunde, C.Marks. Absent: G.Baynham, C.Severson, A.Mueller, J.Rutledge, L.Perdue

Quorum Present.

1. August and October Meeting Minutes accepted as presented
2. President's Report: Brief comments/thank you by President D. Hopkins
3. Financial Report: S.Hutchcraft in place of Treasurer C.Severson
 - a. As of the end of the 3rd Quarter, the financial situation looks better than expected compared to the previous year. Accounting still outstanding from the World Show, but the outlook is positive for the end of year balance sheet, with expected overall income for the year.
4. Office Report: V. Shingledecker
 - a. Still completing accounting from the World Show, but the Office is staying caught up on paperwork. Auto renewals of memberships will begin December 10-15 timeframe with the PayPal online payment system recently updated and ready to go.

5. Hub /Committee Reports : S. Peterson

6. Unfinished Business:

- a. Pay to Play Program Review: A. Tarap moved for an increase in the fees for Pay to Play in 2024 to \$300 for one missed show and \$600 for two missed shows to enter and compete at the World Show. Seconded by S. Peterson, the motion passed.

7. New Business:

- a. "A" Award Categories: Special Awards Chair S. Peterson discussed going back to having three available "A" award categories and potentially redefine them to create opportunities to reward and celebrate contributions that we may not recognize as a "Lifetime Achievement", especially on the local level. During Board discussion, it was found that the Policy remains the same, with up to three "A" awards available each year. Unfortunately the number of nominations has just dwindled to the point that only one has been awarded the last few years. It was the consensus on the Board, that the three nominations received in 2023 all deserved recognition and voted to award the "A" Award to all three members. It was also a consensus that we need to better promote these prestigious awards and the opportunity to recognize the valuable contributions of our members.
- b. Membership Drive Ideas - J. Elliott, Region 9 Director, presented some programs and ideas to help grow our overall membership.

- c. President D. Hopkins recognized outgoing Directors (Lonnie Perdue, Region 5, James Rutledge, Region 6) and welcomed new Directors joining the Board (Shanna Crowe, Region 5, Jerred Bridges, Region 6), including returning Directors as well (Kim Audet, Region 5, Shawn Hester, Region 6, and Clair Severson, Region 7).

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm to go into a Closed Board Session