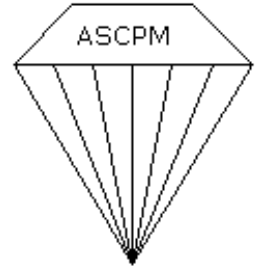




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Subject: Minutes of the March 5, 2009 Meeting of the General Membership of the Arkansas Society of Certified Public Managers

A General Membership meeting was held March 5, 2009 at the Rehabilitation Services Center located at 26 Corporate Hill, Little Rock, Arkansas.

President Becky Bryant welcomed all members and guests.

Our featured speaker was Kay Durnett, Executive Director of the Arkansas State Employees Association. Ms. Durnett reviewed proposed legislation that will have an impact on state employees.

Some of the topics she discussed were:

Classification and Pay Plan Bill

Return after retirement Bill. This Bill was amended at ASEA's request.

Emergency paid leave

Ms. Durnett encouraged all state employees to contact their representatives and senators to let them know they are in favor of funding the merit program. Legislative information can be found on ASEA's website at <http://aseaar.org>.

After a question and answer session, President Bryant called the business meeting to order.

President Bryant reminded everyone that a certificate of attendance for one (1) contact hour can be mailed to anyone needing this. Just make sure you are signed in and you indicate on the sign-in sheet that you would like a certificate.

The next order of business was approval/discussion of the minutes from the December 4, 2008 general membership meeting. The minutes were previously e-mailed to society members for review and comment. No additions, deletion or corrections were suggested. Doris Anderson made a motion to accept the minutes as e-mailed. Donna Langlais seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

Treasurer Lori Morrison could not attend today's meeting, so President Bryant presented the Treasurer's Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF MARCH 5, 2009

Balance as of 2/12/09	\$7,613.77
Interest for February	.29
Ck# 1033 – Discount Trophies – President Plaques	(92.45)
Balance as of 3/5/09	*\$7,521.61

We currently have 4 Associate and 30 Fellow members paid for 2009.

*An additional \$50 has been received for deposit.

Michael Waters made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Aaron Thomas seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

Julie Farris and Jeff Rea distributed a flyer detailing information/criteria for the Henning Award. Nominations will be accepted until March 31, 2009. Julie and Jeff will report on nominations received at our June meeting.

The board has recommended several changes in our by-laws. President Bryant asked everyone to review the by-laws and give any recommendations for change to her. Changes the Board is proposing include:

- Amending the required number of member at large positions.

- Officially eliminating the Corresponding Secretary position and reassigning duties to other board members by updating the by-laws.

- The ability to vote on Society matters by e-mail or other electronic voting means.

Barbara Mahoney noted that the general membership has previously approved the removal of the Corresponding Secretary position, and the by-laws will be updated accordingly. President Bryant expects to have these amendments prepared prior to the June 4 membership meeting so discussion and official vote can take place at that time.

The President-Elect position is still vacant. Any nominees must be a CPM. Julie Farris, Jeff Rea and Gary Isom all expressed an interest in serving once they become a CPM.

A committee has been formed to begin working on Standard Operating Procedures. Once the by-laws are updated and in order, the SOP Committee will begin writing procedures.

The Board would like to present a half day education conference in the Fall that would be free to ASCPM members. Non-members would be required to pay to attend. Randy Frazier has been suggested as the keynote speaker. He will be contacted to see if he could present one of his Leadership workshops. Anyone wishing to assist with the conference, please contact one of the Board members.

Several of our Board members are currently serving on AACPM Committees.

- Doris Anderson – Member Affairs (member benefits) Committee

 - This committee is responsible for establishing benefits/discounts for members

- Cynthia Nixon – Accreditation Committee

 - Review accreditation information for other states

Becky Bryant – Strategic Planning
Committee will be sending out survey in the next few months

Michael Waters – Chairing one of the Accreditation Committees.
Will be attending the Mid-Winter Consortium meeting

The remaining general membership meeting dates for 2009 are:

June 4 – 2nd Floor Training Room, 10421 West Markham Street (Dept of Labor)

September 3 – location to be announced

December 10 – Governor’s Mansion

We will be inviting the Governor and the First Lady, Legislators, Agency Directors and other guests to attend the December 10th reception. We will conduct election of officers for 2010.

President Bryant congratulated ASCPM member Selena Ellis and presented her with a newspaper article recognizing Ms. Ellis for her volunteer work with Habitat for Humanity.

Michael Waters reported that APAC class numbers are down. He asked that everyone spread the word for people to sign up for the program. One way we can grow our Society is by having more people signed up for the program.

Julie Farris was responsible for the wonderful door prize for today’s meeting. The door prize was a framed, signed duck print. Doris Anderson was the lucky winner!

Being no other business, Doris Anderson made a motion to adjourn. Aaron Thomas seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Nixon, Recording Secretary

Becky Bryant, President