

AASFAA
Business Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2003

White Sands Resort – Holiday Inn, Gulf Shores, AL

Our speaker for the opening session was Representative, Mike Hubbard, District 79 (Auburn) who gave us an informative report on the State of the State of Alabama.

Mr. Hubbard was presented a gift from AASFAA at the conclusion of his talk with our thanks.

Next, Joel McCormick took the podium to talk about the Alabama Mentor Program. KHEAA has developed a comprehensive web site for all schools in Alabama, which went active last Fall. This will be discussed further in the KHEAA update scheduled for 8:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

President, Mike Reynolds at 1:45 p.m, called business Meeting to order.

The Slate of Officer candidates were presented to the members; they are:

Office of President-Elect
Chip Quisenberry
Carlos Clark

Office of Vice President
Cindy Massey
Ellen Canada

Office of Secretary
Cheryl Newton

Office of Treasurer-Elect
Ben Baker

Candidates then came to the podium to give their Statement of Candidacy. Nominations were then called from the floor for each office – No nominations were recorded – motion made for the nominations to be closed by Clarke Aldridge – motion seconded by Tommy Dismukes.

Voting Booth will be open until 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2003.

I. Officer Reports:

President:

Mike Reynolds thanked everyone for their help with the SASFAA booth for AASFAA. He also thanked the program committee for their hard work on the Spring Conference agenda. Mike reinstated the fact that this would be our last conference at the Holiday Inn – White Sands Resort. It will begin to be torn down in September of this year. Our facility for next Spring will be the Perdido Beach Resort. The dates of the conference will be April 13 – 16, 2004. Our Fall Conference will be held at the Auburn Conference Center in Auburn AL on October 15 – 17, 2003. Representative Hubbard's wife is over the program at the Conference Center to teach the student's Hotel management. And the retired CEO of the Ritz Carlton is to head the Hotel. We have our new logo and banner which was designed by students which both are on display for this Conference.

President Elect:

Deborah Byrd reported that the Program Committee met in Montgomery on 2/5/03 to put together our agenda for this conference, which was planned around NASFAA training materials. She attended the NASFAA Leadership Conference in March.

Past President:

Dot Wilkinson reported that the awards would be presented at tomorrow night's banquet.

Vice President:

Carlos Clark reported that the training held in Montgomery on the Treatment of Resources and Packing Considerations had 25 attendees. He thanked KHEAA/Alabama Student Loan Program for hosting. He also thanked all presenters from the New Aid Officers workshop. Because of the trouble at Morris-Brown reaccreditation issues, he has been called to help create a list-serve and web site for issues and best practices.

Treasurer:

Lora Kiser distributed copy of the Budget and Account Balances to the association members and called for any questions. She informed the members of the Liability Insurance that is being looked into. She reported that 175 people have registered as of the beginning of the Business Meeting for this conference.

II. Committee Reports

Bylaws

Dorenda Adams reported to the members the following proposed by-law changes:

Article V. – Add Audit and Finance Committee as a standing committee
Article IV. section B– Change President-Elect from Program Chair to Conference Chair

Article IV; section F – Add that the Treasurer will pay all bills of the Association within thirty days of authorization of the President in accordance with the Policy and Procedure Manual. The new Policy will be that any check written over \$500.00 must have two signatures.

The members of the association were called to vote on the proposed changes. All members were in favor – no opposition. Changes will be made and available for view on the web site shortly.

ACHE Liaison

Cheryl Newton reported that the Alabama Student Assistance allotments would be sent on Friday via e-mail. Schools should get their invoices in for the second term payment.

Membership

Joan Waters reported that as of two weeks ago our membership was at 236 paid members.

Policy and Procedures

Bill Wall stated that he will have the revisions on the By-law changes and Policy and Procedure changes and will present these to us at the Transitional Meeting in June.

Publications/Public Relations

Anthony Richey reported that our next Newsletter would be out in June. Requested that anyone with a report or article should get those to him.

Special Projects

Tommy Dismukes talked about the ALAS partnership. Our goal is to assist high school counselors in getting financial aid information to their students. He stated he did a presentation at the ALCA conference in Mobile and that it was well received. The plan is to get each AASFAA volunteer to contact at least 2 schools within their county to hold financial aid presentation during the month of January 2004 – February is Financial Aid Awareness Month.

Mike Reynolds spoke again and informed the members of his additional duties as interim director of the Foy Student Union and Student Activities. Michelle Hart, Associate Director will take over most of his duties of his current position during this time.

Mike called for any New Business, Old Business, with no response the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Submitted by:

Cindy Massey – AASFAA Secretary