TAASRO
State Board Meeting Minutes
03-10-09

Location: Alabaster Instructional Services Center, AL

Board Members Present:
P Rob Cook
VP Pamela Revels
S Rachel Ivey
T Lawrence McKeelvey
EC Steven Whiteld
LO Mark Russell

R1 Chris Townsend
R2 Kenny Archer
R3 Gerald Riggins
R4 Ralph Bryant
R5 Joe Barr
R6 Robin Snider

EA R1 Jeff Curtis
EA R2 Dale Stripling
EA R3 Donna Dickson
EA R4 Jason Wilson
EA R5 Josh Lanny
EA R6 Patricia Malisham

General Members Present: None

Called to Order: President Rob Cook at 9:37 AM.

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting: Approved

Pam Revels made a motion to accept minutes. 2nd by Chris Townsend. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Treasurer’s Report Deposits:
- $1500.00 check - Raptor (Welcome reception sponsor)
- $275.00 check - NASRO (Gardendale class sponsored by TAASRO)

ENDING BALANCE: $17821.51

No expenditures since last meeting. Approximately 43 registered conference attendees so far.

Chris Townsend made motion to accept Treasurer’s Report. 2nd by Ralph Bryant. Motion passed by unanimous consent.
Open Business:

- Conference
  1. Contract signed with Waterville. $4950.00 total cost for 700 attendees. Park will be ours from 1830 – 2130 hours. Cost will be $8 per person for each attendee over 700. Attendees who are not immediate family of a TAASRO attendee will be asked to pay $8. Conference badges will feature attendee’s photo this year and will serve as access card to gain entrance to Waterville.
  2. Balance remaining on the conference site is $1200.
  3. Only one person registered so far for the Active Shooter course for educators. If course isn’t booked for the week, we will open up registration on Thursday for local law enforcement officers to complete a LE version of the course for a per person cost of $25.
  4. Schedule – still looking for key note speaker. Pam will contact Robert Stutman.
  5. ROCIC will be sending a gang awareness speaker, who has not yet been named. ATF will also be coming to teach a course. Speaker to be announced.
  6. Agreement with the Alabama State Department of Education has been signed and submitted. They will be providing $6,000 for this year’s conference to assist with speakers’ fees.
  7. Conference lunches – we reviewed some submitted prices from Big O’s Seafood Grill. Several options were discussed for providing good lunches during the conference. Pam will follow up on this next week. Donna will be in the area the week after next and will also work on solutions. Decisions will be made next board meeting.

2. Giveaways list: T-shirts (We will investigate changing logo to add 10th anniv. message.)

New Business:

1. Deputy Gerald Riggins of the Shelby County Sheriff’s Office was nominated by Rachel Ivey as a well-qualified replacement for her in the Region 3 Director spot. Lawrence McKelvey made a motion to accept the nomination. Kenny Archer 2nd the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

   Polo shirts
   Challenge coins
   Mouse pads
   Mood cups
   2 GB jump drives

3. Conference Packets: Last year’s packets cost $1995 and were very helpful and professional. A motion was made that we should use the same company to have similar packets printed for this year. Pam volunteered to set this up.

   Chris Townsend made a motion to accept. Lawrence McKelvey 2nd the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

4. Plastic bags to hold conference packets and shirts for initial registration have been donated.

5. Pam has a contact who would like to pay $750 - $900 towards a giveaway item in exchange for the opportunity to set up a booth to advertise during the conference. We could either purchase cooler bags with the TAASRO logo on them for everyone ($900 would be our half of the cost), or we could continue to have the TAASRO towels, in which case the entire cost would be covered by the contact. Decision will be made at next meeting.

6. Alscan will be one of our lunch sponsors. Their contact person, Barry Rosen, needs a verification letter from TAASRO. Pam will send a letter.

7. Some discussion of the possibility of videotaping the conference was had. No decisions were made. Various logistical items in relation to this were discussed. We will investigate this possibility further.
8. Each year NASRO provides 2 slots for registration for state organizations. Trussville PD would like these slots. They will scout speakers for TAASRO during the NASRO conference.

Pam Revels made a motion to allow Trussville PD to have the slots. Kenny Archer 2nd the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. Nomination forms for SRO of the Year, Educator of the Year, Award of Valor will be sent out via e-mail to membership. Deadline for nomination submissions will be May 15th, 2009. Region / Education Representatives will form a committee to review submissions and make decisions on the awards.

Ralph Bryant made a motion to accept this decision. Lawrence McKelvy 2nd the motion. Motion was carried by unanimous consent.

10. We still have a need for more door prizes.

11. ACJIC has invited TAASRO to have the next board meeting at their facility in Montgomery. They will provide the facility and cater lunch. They would like to make a 1 hour presentation to the Board with regards to their plans to improve LETS for school resource officers, as well as, make use of SROs field information regarding gang information.

12. The following positions will be up for election at the TAASRO Conference this year: Vice President, Secretary, Logistics Officer, Region 2 representative, Region 4 representative, and Region 6 representative. The deadline for receiving a declaration of intent to run for office: Midnight on May 7th, 2009. A message regarding this will be posted on the website and e-mailed to the membership. Declarations of intent to run shall be received by the Secretary, Rachel Ivey.

Next meeting set for April 21st, 2009 at 9:30am at the ACJIC in Montgomery, Alabama.

Ralph Bryant made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Lawrence McKelvy. Motion was carried unanimously.

I hereby certify that the minutes recorded are accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Rachel Ivey
Secretary