

ASMC EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

31 Jan 12

The meeting was called to order at approximately 1400 by Leah Hodge

ATTENDEES:

Leah Hodge, President
Kent Fitzgerald, Membership
Brianna Hoppel, Community Activities
Jason Guzardo, IT
Major Glenn, Awards
Melinda Gagnon
Jennifer Denega, Ways and Means
Dedra Hickman, RPDS
Lynn Becker, Vice President - Eglin
Dave Herndon, Vice President - Tenants

Minutes from Dec meeting voted into chapter records unanimously.

Awards: Maj Glenn briefed we had 28 nominees across all categories. She will send out score sheets and packages to the voting committee which is comprised of all VPs and the awards committee. These will be due back to her committee by 8 Feb in order for plaques to be made and presentation plans worked into the script for RPDS.

IT – IT still exploring adding a way to see the number of hits on our site to the webpage. Should be low-no cost. All is going well for RPDS.

VP for tenants, Dave Herndon, oversees several committees which includes Community Services. He knows they are purchasing some supplies, etc as donations to the chapter vice charging the chapter and he believes by doing this we could understate our true requirements and additionally, cause a burden to those members. Discussion ensued regarding this; since we are talking relatively low dollars, we aren't going to force individuals to seek reimbursement but it's highly encouraged. I asked that those members who made purchases for the chapter to please notify Leah Hodge so she could keep records of some costs for budgeting purposes as not all committee members in future will do same. We do not think we are greatly understating any requirement with these donations and those members were adamant about no reimbursement.

RPDS – 218 registered as of this date. This passes break-even point. Dedra will update budget to reflect sponsors and plan to only purchase a smaller order of plain lanyards if none are donated. The opening speaker is still not set.

Community Services – nothing big at this time, a couple of events will be available for support in the Mar timeframe. The biggest event on the horizon is the RFL. We discussed ensuring the chapter as a whole knows of the plans vice just the few on the committee at this time. I asked them to send out info via the newsletter or email soon so all are aware of the Vegas themed event and other activities planned.

Ways and Means – will hold a 50/50 or other at the Feb luncheon since it's off base. We discussed several budget income lines which need to be reduced as is obvious we are not going to fund raise without volunteers. Committee will continue to try and hold/sponsor events as we get into the spring. They reported on income from Belk sale which will be updated on budget.

Publicity – keep sending information, events, etc. They are continuing to submit regularly to national.

Membership – nothing to report.

VP, Eglin, Lynn Becker reported for Education stating they will get information into upcoming newsletter regarding both national and local scholarships. One aspect of budget discussion was possibility of having to reduce amount set aside for scholarships, we'll know more after the RPDS. Lynn requested any pictures from Publicity dealing with January luncheon be sent to Katenna Edwards who will provide to the speakers based on their request. Program's has two events in Feb and plans for each month to follow.

Budget – several items woven in these notes/various committees. Budget will be attached to email distribution of these minutes to reflect all updates to achieve most conservative bottom line possible in order to make decisions. More discussions will follow as we get through RPDS.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1500.

Recorded by: Leah Hodge, President, Gulf Coast Chapter