

## **K-T SAF Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Winter Meeting, Bowling Green, KY, January 27, 2016**

**7- 9 PM**

Ken Smith, Chair welcomed all and thanked them for attending: Self-Introductions by group around the room, total of 26 in attendance; sign in sheet attached.

Ken reviewed the agenda items with the group and asked for a motion to accept, made by Jeff Holt, second by David Walters. Motion passed

### **Old Business:**

Jerry Adams, Secretary, reviewed the 2015 Summer Meeting Ex Comm Minutes; Motion by Lloyd Foe to accept the minutes as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Bailey. Motion passed.

Brant Miller, Treasurer, reviewed the budget for 2015 and that KT SAF ended up spending less than expected by \$623.74. Brant has turned over all financial documents to Jerry Adams, incoming Treasurer for 2016. Bank has been notified of changes in leadership and signature authority will be granted to Kevin Tudor, incoming Chair and Jerry.

Mac McClure and Chris Osborne reported on 2016 Winter Meeting noting that the budget was around \$19K for the event and had 32 students registered, 54 professionals registered. Each year, number of professionals attending is dropping. Need to identify causes. Discussion about UT students not paying or registering until they arrive which puts planning committee in a bind, while UK and Sewanee students do so in advance. MM suggested a higher rate for those not pre-registering; more than one member expressed concern with anything that might discourage attendance by students but agreed the issue needed investigation.

### **Committee Reports**

Membership report by Lloyd Foe, Chair (handout); increase to 353; several have not paid since 13-14; Nat SAF plans to conduct a call to these to encourage membership renewal. Lloyd suggested each chapter have a rep on the Membership committee so he can reach local members to call on those that have expired memberships. Laurie Smith commented that she had always paid by monthly debit and this was a good method of payment for graduating students to encourage membership. She was told by SAF HQ that this was not an option for 2016 dues because of a change in software billing. It may be re-instated in 2017. David Walters

said he'd not heard that but he'd check into it. Chris Osborne concurred with Laurie that he'd been told the same.

Audit report by Heather Slayton; (hardcopy) Heather reported that she was assisted by incoming Secretary Alex Richman, and incoming Treasurer Jerry Adams. All entries in ledger were verified and ending balance was confirmed by income and expenses recorded in bank statements. All expenses were correctly categorized.

Policy Report by John Perry (handout)

Awards report by Allan Houston; should be under budget; glad to see all categories having a nomination; several awards to present at banquet.

Teller report by Richard \_\_\_\_\_; nothing to report; position really is no longer needed now that we have Communications position.

Memorial Scholarship report by Allan Houston reporting for Wayne; the fund lost \$400 this past year but is still \$18K+ to the good. Mac McClure asked about how the fund was managed and why it cost us \$50 for the service, how taxes were reported on it, etc. David Merker stated that it was in bylaws as to how it's handled. MM asked Jerry as incoming Treasurer to look into it and report at the Summer meeting.

Communications report by Tim Snyder; Tim reflected on several items the House of Delegates had taken up this past year. He noted that several states are struggling to maintain memberships, leadership problems at both state and chapter levels. A Blue Ribbon panel has been formed to investigate. Tim encouraged Rance Frye to submit the "Music and Mentoring" workshop held in Nashville for an award as SAF HQ and HSD were impressed with the idea.

Education report by Laurie Smith; (handout)

Continuing Ed report - nothing

Program report by Jeff Holt; Mid TN will be hosting Summer meeting; details not yet confirmed. Stay tuned.

History by Ron Taylor; nothing to report

Nominations Comm by Mac McClure; Secretary position has been accepted by Alex Richman and Chair Elect by Heather Slayton. Appreciated their willingness to step up to the leadership roles.

## Chapter Reports:

-E KY by Chris Will ; noted their joint workshop w/ACF to encourage networking among the professionals; to improve exposure it was held in conjunction with the Wood Expo last fall in Lexington.

-WKY ( Mac) nothing

-ETN (Chris King) continue to meet 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of each month in alternating Oak Ridge or Kingston

-SETN by Ken; more later

-MidTN by Rance Frye; noted the success of “Music and Mentoring” workshop in Nashville with Louisiana Pacific and University of the South where staff made presentations and professionals mentored with students; over a dozen students made the trip; group went to dinner in downtown Nashville after; plans are to make it an annual event.

-WTN (David Mercker) ; hosted Summer mtg in Jackson TN; good attendance; field trip to Hatchie National Wildlife Refuge was well received; got to blow up beaver dam.

-UK (Jeff) absent

-UT (David Buckley) nothing

-U of S (Ken) ; working on summer meeting plans; more details later

- House of Society Delegates (Tim) See Communications Report previous; Ken Smith Chair noted that he felt Heather Slayton as Chair Elect should try to attend HSD this year; great experience and benefit to KT SAF chapter.

National SAF by Dave Walters; new CEO, great guy; avg age of SAF members is 50! We're old. White, and Male!; hired Cory to address membership; resulted in 3-4% increase this past year.

## **New Business:**

2016 Summer Meeting (Middle Tennessee); still planning; location not yet determined

Winter 2017 Meeting ; nothing yet

2016 National Meeting (Madison, WI); encourage all who've not been to one to try attending

Kevin Tudor, incoming Chair offered discussion on Officer terms: should we go to 2 year terms? ; timing of the winter meeting (he'd spoke w/members that felt it was bad time of year); and need for planning of meetings further in advance. Several comments by group

Other: Ken Smith, Chair noted that Business Meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 1pm and to last up to one hour if needed

With no other business or action, motion by Mac McClure, second by Rance Frye to adjourn the Ex Comm Mtg at 9:05 pm CDT.

**Respectfully submitted by Jerry Adams, Secretary**