

The Ohio State Jural Assembly
Official Weekly Business Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday January 2, 2024
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7:02 Tim starts recording and opens official meeting of OSJA, where we meet to discuss all business and will motion and vote on all matters.

Tim says prayer followed by 15 seconds for reflection.

Bivens is read 3 times by Tim; 3 times no.

Robert's Rules of Order will be followed.

Roll call: 11 in attendance:

Tim and Karla – Fairfield	Kathy – Fairfield	Ross – Summit	Joe – Summit
Michael – Adams	Michele – Cuyahoga	Ryan – Franklin	Cristina - Summit
Stephen and Trina - Vinton			

Open Old Business – Michele motions, Tim seconds.

Old Business:

-Michele reads minutes from 12/5/23; vote to accept minutes as read: 2 abstain, 0 nay, 9 yea.

-Public Affairs update from Cristina: still waiting for people to provide content for website.

-Treasury update from Michael: no updates/changes to report.

-Education Committee update from Michael – he has been listening to a lot of things and wants to float some video ideas by Cristina; if anyone wants to do a short video on a topic that they feel is important to education, please film it and get it to him;

-Tim raises the issue of needing a new scribe; Michele will be scribe until the end of January; he asks what we should do about a new scribe and a pro tem scribe; if anyone knows of a person who would be interested, please let us know; even if they are not a papered member, if they want to do it, we will get them papered;

-Ross raises topic of recording and using a transcriber if we can't get a person to scribe;

-Cristina adds that back when Gary was on the calls, they had no scribe for about a year;

-Tim suggests using a transcriber and then having a person edit it; but Ross says that would now become a "job" that is similar to what a scribe would do, and that job should not be put on an officer who would then have 2 jobs;

-Cristina points out that Gary repeatedly emphasized that the scribe should be a person and that using a transcriber is not ideal; transcribing tools were tried at that time anyway, and they were not effective because they don't pick up a lot of words and get quite a few incorrect;

Close Old Business – Karla motions, Michael seconds.

Open New Business – Michael motions, Karla seconds.

New Business:

-Tim raises topics of future expansion and the directory; he says we need an updated directory so we can be in contact with our counties;

-Ross states we have Telegram Business Chat; he encourages all to have their contact info on their profiles, but feels officers should definitely have their contact information on their profiles;

-Tim states we need updated information on county officers so we can get all active counties involved, and

activate the non-active counties;

-Cristina adds that when she first got involved, she was made liaison to all counties and her top priority was to get contact information and keep it updated; it was and is an ongoing struggle, as people either won't return ~~her~~ calls from anyone or are reluctant to have their names publicly listed;

-Michele asks what happens to the information provided when people get papered? Cristina says that information is given to the current holder of the records, which is Ross (pro tem moderator), and that includes the directory;

-Ross states that in The Bylaws, it is the job of the scribe to keep the contact directory updated, but Robin passed that task to him when he became moderator because they did not have a scribe; he was waiting for scribe position to solidify before passing the task back to the scribe;

-Cristina adds that she and Ross kept that task while Michele was scribing because they felt scribing was so critical that they didn't want to interfere with the job Michele was doing;

-Tim revisits which counties are active, etc.; discussion ensues about active/inactive counties, and how to reach the 1-2 member in counties that are not having meetings, etc. Every week Ross sends email notice of Tuesday state Zoom call meetings to every email address in the directory;

-Michele offers to draft an email soliciting information from members; she will draft and present to officers for approval; once approved, she will begin emailing members using excel directory that Cristina will email and she will cc officers;

Close New Business – Michele motions, Ross and Michael second.

Adjourn – Michael motions, Cristina and Karla second.

7:41 Tim adjourns meeting.

Next meeting is Tuesday January 9, 2024