



Kansas Chapter National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials Annual Business Meeting - April 12, 2017

- I. Welcome & Call to Order by President, Tony Hoch (12:33pm)
 - a. Tony Hoch introduced himself and called the meeting to order at 12:33pm. He welcomed all attendees. He thanked all the conference session instructors and HUD representatives who have come to present at the conference. He introduced all current Kansas NAHRO officers.

- II. Treasurer's Report by JoAnn Sutton
 - a. JoAnn reviewed the reports and provided copies to all attendees.
 - b. She discussed the Budget Progress Report of 2016. \$6,438.87 has been spent as of March 31, 2017. We are currently showing a negative balance for 2017, but some deposits haven't been reflected on the budget yet.
 - c. She reviewed the SW NAHRO Conference account and explained that \$25 of every registration fee is deposited into this account. This covers expenses for host state NAHRO agency for the SW NAHRO Conference when it is hosted in Kansas. The next time SW NAHRO conference is in Kansas will be 2020. JoAnn asked for questions and there were none. JoAnn Sutton moved to accept the treasurer's report. Dave Parnell seconded.

- III. State Service Officer's Report by Shelli Scrogum
 - a. Shelli asked that all attendees fill out conference survey and turn them into Shelli at the table in the back of the room. She said there would be a drawing for \$100.
 - b. Shelli provided a copy of her report to everyone in attendance. She reviewed the number of attendees and number of agency members of KS NAHRO. She requested information about each agency to post on the website if there are any upcoming events.
 - c. Tony Hoch announced that we have a newsletter, KS NOW, that provides updates to agencies every quarter.

- IV. V.P. Reports – Approval of Reports
 - a. Immediate Past President, Kathy Rankin – No report.
 - b. Senior Vice President, Tina Bartlett
 - i. Tina explained that there was a meeting in Grapevine and that four members of KS NAHRO went to the National NAHRO Conference in March. They met with representatives about the new REAC inspections, HR 3472, bed bug issues and costs, and utility allowances. She asked for everyone to please pass on information and how things are affecting agencies to the KS NAHRO so they can pass the information on to legislators. There are other agencies available who may be able to get some answers for you. Tina explained that legislators will send a representative to view a REAC inspection so they can see what we are dealing with in KS. Lots of money is being spent on small repairs due to REAC inspections.
 - c. V.P. Professional Development, Joyce DePriest
 - i. Joyce said they are just wrapping up this conference. She said they are looking to provide two day certifications at the upcoming fall conference. She provided a copy of the report to all in attendance.
 - d. V.P. Housing, Lacie Cottrell – not in attendance.

- i. JoAnn Sutton gave a summary of the current issues in housing. She said there is not too much going on at this moment, except for the new administration. She went to the national conference in Washington and heard Ben Carson speak. She said it sounds like he understands the overwhelming amount of paperwork and that there may be other ways to go about doing things. We are hoping to see some change due to his empathetic visions.
 - e. V.P. CR&D, Rick Gehlbach
 - i. Rick said he learned a lot from people at the conference. He encouraged members to network and get information to help do their jobs better. He shared an example of himself and how he has connected with others at conferences.
 - f. V.P. Member Services, Roxanne Mason
 - i. She said we are struggling with membership rates and reaching out to member agencies. She asked for suggestions on ways to increase membership. She said Annette would be having the What Home Means to Me contest. There are three age categories (elementary, middle school, and high school). Everyone needs to vote for winners. There are some really cool prizes at the upper level NAHRO. Winner of KS NAHRO contest will go to SW NAHRO.
 - ii. There will be two raffles at 3:25pm today for the scholarship fund.
 - iii. She thanked the committee for their service.
 - g. V.P. Commissioners, Corey Stoltz
 - i. She went to SW NAHRO and talked about how to get commissioners involved. She is planning to visit some commissioners to get them to attend. She is looking for help to get other commissioners involved.
 - h. District Representatives
 - i. District 1, Shelia Barnett – no report, but there was an update in the KS NOW newsletter.
 - ii. District 2, Robin Graffia – not in attendance.
 - iii. District 3, Open NC Kansas – no report.
 - iv. District 4, Vicki Miller – no report.
 - v. District 5, Annette Wells – She said they are seeing a lot of new faces. Those who come to our meetings are happy to be there. We are able to talk about housing issues/changes. She thanked Tina Bartlett for keeping us updated with what's going on at HUD.
 - vi. District 6, Open SE Kansas – no report.
 - i. Resident Committee Chair, Sheryl Swendson – no report.
 - j. Awards Committee Chair, Roxanne Mason – no report.
 - k. Scholarship Committee Chair, Sheryl Swendson
 - i. There were no scholarship applications this year, so money is still available for residents.
 - l. Legislative Committee Chair, Tina Bartlett – no report.
 - m. Municipal Housing Statute Committee, Sheryl Swendson – no report.
 - n. Small Agencies Task Force, Sheryl Swendson
 - i. Sheryl discussed HOTMA, VAWA, UPCS, and how this committee is designed to work for small agencies.

Tony Hoch entertained a motion to approve the minutes and reports. Don Cook made a motion to approve minutes and reports. Corey Stoltz seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed.

V. New Business

- a. 2017 Budget revisions, JoAnn Sutton
 - i. JoAnn reviewed the yellow 2017 Treasurer's Report, provided to all in attendance. We need to add travel funds to the budget for the Executive Committee SW NAHRO Leadership Transition Training. She entertained

a motion to add \$2,000 to this conference budget and said the income will increase a little bit. Tina Bartlett made a motion to add \$2,000 to the budget. Sheila seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed.

- b. 2018 Budget, JoAnn Sutton
 - i. JoAnn reviewed the blue 2018 Budget and provided a copy to all in attendance. SW regional travel line item was increased due to more extensive travel costs. \$4210 surplus is expected for 2018. Sherry Swendson made a motion to approve the 2018 budget. Don Cook seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed.
- c. Agency/Individual Dues rate change
 - i. Tony entertained that the general membership consider increasing the KS NAHRO individual rate membership from \$50 to \$100. He explained that KS NAHRO is losing membership dues because many people are choosing the less expensive individual membership, instead of getting an entire agency membership. He explained that members of the Executive Committee are required to have an individual membership, in addition to the agency membership, so they can have two votes if needed. He entertained a motion to approve the increase to \$100.
 - ii. Sherry Swendson made a motion to approve the increase of membership dues to \$100. Joyce DePriest seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. Tony said Roxanne Mason would write the change and send it out to the membership to take to SW NAHRO.
- d. Slate of Officers 2018-2019
 - i. Tony Hoch explained that we didn't meet our deadline to present the slate of officers 15 days prior to voting at this KS NAHRO conference, so we are presented with a challenge in voting/accepting new officers. Tony explained that he wasn't sure what our bylaws will allow, but that we will use an alternative method of voting, maybe electronically, to approve the new slate of officers.
 - ii. The Executive Committee came up with a slate of officers at the meeting last night and those names were presented to all in attendance. Tony reviewed the proposed slate of officers and accepted nominations from the general membership.
 - iii. Tina Bartlett nominates Sandi Scott, District 5, for VP of Housing. JoAnn Sutton nominates Artina Thompson, Olathe, for Treasurer and requested her name be removed from the slate. Sheila Barnett nominates Judy Luedke, for District 1 Representative. Barbara Corel, Howard Housing Authority, would like to be District 6 Representative. Sherry Swendson moved that nominations cease. Corey Stoltz seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. Nominations closed.
 - iv. Tony reviewed the final slate of officers for 2018. Don Cook made a motion to approve the 2018 KS NAHRO Slate of Officers. Cassie Withington seconded the motion.

VI. Old Business – None.

VII. Awards

- a. Roxanne Mason said there were a lot of awards nominations this year. Kingsley Housing Authority receives Best Newsletter Award. Johnson County Housing Services receives Other Agency Publications Award. Lawrence Douglas Housing Authority received award for Best Annual Report.
- b. Vicki Miller came to the stage to discuss the next round of awards. Commissioner of the Year, Vicki Haskell, was unable to make it due to her job obligations. She really cares about people and wants to keep it going. There were many letters of recommendation for her to receive the award. Cassandra Withington received the Notorious Achievement Award for a project she developed to raise money for residents.
- c. JoAnn Sutton presented the final award. She said the Nadine Birch Award is the greatest honor from Kansas NAHRO. JoAnn described the many

accomplishments of this year's award recipient, Tina Bartlett. The previous award winners were asked to come to the front of the room.

VIII. Adjournment

- a. Sherry Swendson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joyce DePriest seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.

