Friday, August 4, 2023

8:11 p.m. Meeting Starts

Introduction of members.

Jackson, Secretary

Caroline

Johnathan

Asia, treasurer

Shane, Acting president.

Ice breaker questions

What are you excited about for the upcoming semester?

Reports

Presidents report from Shane

OABS will be a bell academy.

OABS people are Shane, Asia, and Caroline. The state president will be there, and so will Suzanne.

Shane's first year volunteering at Bell.

Doing work with the state board to sort out internal business. Making sure we are for the membership restructuring. Talking to other students about what we are, that we are here, and the resources we offer.

We have not had a treasurer's report since April.

Do not have a fee for the month of June.

Have new rewards with the business account.

As of today, August's fourth account balance is $322.51.

Asia makes a motion to do the treasurer's report.

Jackson seconds the motion.

Johnathan has paid his dues and does not change the account balance.

Tee shirt fundraiser.

Asia, it has been challenging to get the tee shirt guy. He is having difficulty finding stuff due to a flood that happened.

He is working a new job. He told Asia Pricing she is trying to get him to email things.

Caroline mentioned braille and a printed logo for the Zoom profile picture.

Jackson mentioned raffle tickets.

Suggestions were Amazon Echo Dot and air pods.

Shane thinks raffles are the best thing.

Caroline is still open to doing the Zoom logos.

Put together different things for the division to get funds.

Caroline has a clear goal for fundraisers seeking grants or donations to get assistance or funds from specific places or companies or having the companies donate.

Fundraising goals are Zoom logos and attaching a price to the symbols.

Post-bell camp put out an email to ask if people want Zoom logos.

Caroline is talking about doing an otherworld trip.

We are considering getting other world tickets and selling them.

Select and start planning a fundraiser.

We run one raffle for multiple prices.

Direct ship the Amazon Echo to the customer.

Johnathan talks about marketing to parents of blind children or blind parents.

We may do a raffle of Amazon Echo, accessible medical devices, and coffee.

We will have a meeting in two weeks, which is August 18.

Asia motioned.

Jackson seconded that the raffle will have two products.

Asia found the information about the inferred thermometer but could not find the price.

The motion is that the raffle will have two products.

Motion carries for the two products.

Two pieces of homework that Shane assigns.

The Echo and thermometer do not have to be products. For the two-week meeting, think about what products and we will finalize the price of raffle tickets and if there are any changes.

Caroline must send emails to see if people want the Zoom logos.

State convention to state convention members run from this term.

Many division chapters are running from January to December.

The year would start January 1 and end in December of that year.

Elections would still be in November. This election would allow any board member who is replaced to transition from old to new board.

It would allow us to have a smoother transition. Take your position after the election. If you are an incoming board member, they do not know what they are doing.

The change puts us back in line with the national policy of having members membership from January to December.

We as a division need to do that effective from 2024 to 2025 beginning January 1.

What are we doing for members who have paid up until July 1?

Only if you paid after July 1 will you be given the rest of this year and all of 2024. As of the first, if you pay in the middle of the year, you will only be covered until December. We are following NABS.

When talking to new students, remember that the outreach letter is there. Due to the membership paying after July 1, it will get the rest of the year.

If they join after January 1, it will only cover the year.

The next meeting is in two weeks; we do not need a complete business meeting on August 18, same time, 8 p.m., Same Zoom link.

Caroline motions to adjourn.

Jackson seconds the motion.

Shane adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.