Minutes
ABANA Board Meeting
October 2, 2019

Meeting began at 8:00 pm EST

Present: Leigh Morrell, Bill Robertson, Tom Owens, Scott Kretschmer, Jim Archambault, Lance Davis, Linda Tanner, Victor Plitt, Eddie Rainey, Bruce Jarrell, Mark Kochan

Guests: Laura Armstrong, John Williams, Bob Valentine, Doug Eichert, Ray Grosshans

Absent: Carson Sams

Jim Archambault moved to approve the minutes of the August board meeting as presented by the Secretary, it was seconded by Scott Kretschmer. The vote was unanimous, the motion carried.

New Business:

Announcement of the Election results, the vote count was a follows:
1. Doug Eichert. 337
2. Bob Valentine 286
3. Ray Grosshans. 268
4. Jerry Boyd 205
5. James Garvey. 170

Motion# 25. Jim Archambault moved to accept affirm the election results. It was seconded by Victor Plitt. All were in favor, the motion carried.

The three top vote recipients fill the three board vacancies. The top vote recipient Doug Eichert fills the three-year term position being vacated by Bill Robertson beginning November 1, 2019 at the November Annual meeting. Bob Valentine and Ray Grosshans fill the two current-term positions vacated by resignations and begin their terms immediately.

A Motion was made by Bill Robertson to accept the financial documents submitted by the Treasurer as presented. The motion was seconded by Jim Archambault. All were in favor except for one abstention by Bob Valentine, the motion carried.

Old Business

The discussion on dues increase proposal was postponed until early spring.

The 150 mm challenge with Delyth Done is a go, there is a need for a lead Chair.

Motion #26. Scott Kretschmer moved to send $2,000 payable from the Endowment trust to aid the Orange County California Blacksmith shop from fire damage. The motion was seconded by Mark Kochan. All were in favor, the motion carried.

New Business

Motion # 27. Bill Robertson moved that we set policy to post board meeting agendas to the website 24 hours in advance of a meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Valentine. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Motion # 28 Bill Robertson moved that the newly created IT position (funded from the Technology Budget) will answer to the Secretary but will also take direction from the Chairs of the Committees assigned individual oversite and responsibilities for the website and various social media platforms attached to ABANA The primary committees being, Technology, Communications and Conference. The motion was seconded by Scot Kretschmer. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Conference Committee. Discussion, proposal and overall agreement for JoAnn to be hired on to help run registration and collect money at the 2020 conference.

The motion, second and unanimous agreement to adjourn was made at 10:00 pm

Submitted by Bill Robertson
ABANA Secretary