BASH Executive Board Meeting Minutes - February 18, 2024

VIEW RECORDING - 51 mins

Meeting Attendees: Sandy Allen, Calvin Brown, Perlie Davis, Deetra Poindexter

Meeting Call to Order @ 0:00

The meeting began with greetings and prayer. Calvin Brown called the meeting to order at 3:08pm and offered an opening prayer, thanking God for this day and asking for blessings on the family and meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes @ 1:28

With a quorum now present, the board discussed approving the minutes from the last special meeting on January 7, 2024, where they reviewed the bylaws. Perlie Davis read the minutes aloud. Calvin motioned to approved the minutes as read. Sandy Allen seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Family Reunion Update @ 12:51

Sandy Allen provided a brief update on her registration process after speaking with Jane Tolliver, the reunion host. No other updates were available from Jane.

Committee Reports @ 14:43

Dietra Poindexter had no website updates to report. As Shawn was absent, there were no family history committee reports. The bylaws committee report would be presented in the next discussion.

Review of Bylaws Revisions @ 15:41

Perlie Davis shared her screen and highlighted the proposed bylaws revisions as discussed at the last executive board meeting.

Discussion addressed the correct spelling of the Sheppard family name. Perlie confirmed the spelling as correct based on an email signature from Dorothy Sheppard Myers.

No further changes were made.

Bylaws Vote and Notifications to Family @ 29:00

Calvin Brown made a motion to approve the revised bylaws. Deetra Poindexter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously pending general membership approval at the next quarterly meeting on Sunday, April 21, 2024.

The board also discussed printing and distribution plans for the bylaws in July. Calvin requested a cover page be added. Each gift bag will contain a copy of the bylaws.

Perlie will post the bylaws with a draft watermark on the family Facebook page and will forward via email to the contact list. Family members will be invited to share comments via the BASH email address prior to the April meeting.

Next Steps, Budget and Future Meetings @ 47:35

The board discussed incentivizing attendance for the April virtual quarterly meeting and getting registration reminders out on social media. Calvin will personally offer a \$25 Amazon gift card for a random drawing at the end of the meeting. Only those present at the end will be eligible for the drawing. The board also agreed to make personal invitations to encourage higher attendance.

Dietra inquired about using website fees toward registration. She paid \$300 for the website hosting fees for the 2nd year and would like to have it applied to registrations for herself and two other family members. Calvin will discuss waiving the registration fees with Jane.

In a more general budget discussion, Dietra was directed to forward all such payment information to Gloria Butler, the executive board treasurer. Perlie also noted the use of her own business Zoom account and the Al addon. For someone else stepping into the secretary role, this could be an added expense for the family reunion. All such administrative expenses need to be included in the BASH Family Reunion budget.

Closing prayer @ 50:00

Calvin Brown offered the closing prayer and adjourned the meeting at 3:55pm.