

Dec 22, 2024

Hot Springs LGBTQ+ Community Network

General membership Meeting for Dec 22, 2024

Board Members Present

Pat Farnan – President

Vic Miller – Vice President

Eileen Ryan – Treasurer

Kellie Bryan – Secretary

Tim Looper – Member at Large

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

The meeting started off with Kellie reading the minutes from the Sept General Membership meeting. Sean Alexander made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, John Smid seconded. The vote was unanimous to accept as read.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Eileen. The 2025 proposed budget was presented and accepted. A copy of the budget will be available upon request.

Education – Bob Loos was not present to present an update. Sean alexander presented a 2023 – to present date recap of events and milestones for the Network.

Outreach, Tim – Spoke about the Blessing box success, the Joint efforts and partnering with Car-Mart and recognized some within the network for their support throughout the year. A recap about the latest "Food for Thought" event that we participated in and the 16 donated new coats we gave away to folks that needed warm clothing, and the food that was donated to the network was given away that same event.

Communication – Vic announced that Andre Dupin will be joining the Communications team. Vic also spoke about the new AI characters appearing on the web site.

Vic presented an extensive date line of the history of the network which highlighted the milestones along the way. 2024 was a year of transformation for the network.

New business – Pat went over the proposed events for 2025.

Capital fund raising initiative – the committee will begin meeting mid-January.

Board elections for the positions of Vice President and Treasurer. These will be for a two year term.

The candidates for Vice President are:

Kellie Bryan

Sean Alexander

Treasurer:

Vic Miller

The Network chose Sean Alexander to serve the next two years as Vice President, and Vic Miller as Treasurer.

Pat thanked the current board for running the operations in her absences this past year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 pm

Minutes submitted by Kellie Bryan Secretary

