

Mar. 16, 2025

Hot Springs LGBTQ+ Community Network

General membership Meeting for Mar. 16,2025

Board Members Present

Pat Farnan – President

Sean Alexander – Vice President

Vic Miller – Treasurer

Kellie Bryan – Secretary

Tim Looper – Member at Large

The meeting was called to order at 3:05p.m.

The meeting started off with Kellie reading the minutes from the Dec 22, 2025 General Membership meeting. Vic made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Bob seconded. The vote was unanimous to accept as read.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Vic – President Pat Farnan and Treasurer Vic Miler conducted an audit of the checking account and found it to be accurate. Vic is preparing the annual report to be filed with the Arkansas Secretary of State, as well as the annual report for the IRS. The deadline for these reports are May 15th. Current balance in the bank is \$2178.73. \$250.00 earmarked for the Ms. Gay Arkansas pageant sponsorship, \$850.00 for the Capital Fundraising Campaign leaving a balance of \$1078.73. The \$15.00 that was reported previously as unaccounted for was found. The \$15.00 was due to a bank recording error and was corrected. Sean made a motion to accept the report as presented, Karolynn Farnan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to accept, the motion carried.

Communications – Vic – Social media: Post engagement 1,725, Meta engagement on the last 28 days is 1,030. We have 245 followers, 1,900+ members; averaging 4 new members per week in the last 28 days. 204 newsletter subscribers.

Outreach – Tim – Spring Fling is booked for April 26th for 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Emergent Arts building. Theme is Rainbow Revival. Entry fee of \$5.00 to help offset any expenses that are incurred.

Education – Bob Loos – is continuing to work on securing speakers for quarterly presentations. There is a venue conflict for the April 20th meeting. There was discussion and a motion by Vic to move the April meeting to April 27th, it was seconded by Kellie. The vote was unanimous to approve the move. The goal is to secure the auditorium for this meeting.

Activities – Vic – we have far exceeded what most people thought we could accomplish in less than one year. We are at project capacity until more people step forward and take on leadership roles to lead more projects. There is excitement about the upcoming Name Change Clinic.

Capital Fund Campaign – The annual goal for 2025 is \$10,000. We are already \$1,000 in to it! We will be selling products at the picnic for the general fund account.

Old Business – Annual budget was presented at the last General Membership Meeting. Vic suggested putting the annual budget on our Capital Fundraising page.

New Business – Chamber Of Commerce Virtual Ribbon Cutting Tuesday @ 2:00 pm at the Chamber building. There was a motion by Sean to move \$150.00 from the General Fund to add to the Capital Fund Campaign to purchase a \$1,000 6 mo certificate of Deposit, Cory seconded. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

May 31st Pride Picnic @ Arc Isle, Pride walk is June 28th. We have booked an entertainer for the Picnic and will be paid this year. It was agreed to do a three tiered sponsorship: \$50, \$100, \$300 and table vendors for \$30.

Cory made the motion to adjourn, Vic seconded. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm

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