

**Hot Springs LGBTQ + Community Network
Board Members Meeting for May 03, 2026**

Board members present

Shawn Quinn - President
Sean Alexander - Vice President
Larry Paris - Secretary
Ka'imi Maka - Treasurer
Lisa Kent - Communications Director
Tim Looper - Community Relations Director
Scott Griffin - Member at Large

Minutes

Shawn opened the meeting at 3:00pm at the Garland County Library and asked that Larry read the minutes from the last network members meetings held on March 13, 2026 and impromptu meetings in BOD chat April 5th, 7th, 9th, and 18th of 2026

There were 15 members of the network at the meeting and included seven members of the board

Larry read the minutes from the last board members meetings for March and April. Tim Looper made motion to except the minutes and Lisa Kent 2nd the motion. Motion carried and accepted

Reports

Treasurer Report - Ka'imi Maka

1. Ka'imi informed us that the checking account(CF Holding Account) balance is currently \$500 at Diamond State Bank
2. The capital campaign fund is \$5,779.53 in a CD at Bank OZK
3. The checking account(Operating Account) at Bank OZK is 5,772.03
4. \$272.03 of the operating account will be put into holding account which will leave \$5,000 for operating account meeting the threshold of \$5500
5. Sean Alexander made a motion to accept the report and Larry Paris 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

Communication Report - Lisa Kent

1. Facebook has had a significant increase since the inception of the new board members
2. Instagram is showing major growth as well
3. Lisa said she's going to be generating a statistics report so that we can show the members where we are growing
4. Tim Looper made a motion to accept Communications Report. Sean Alexander 2nd motion. Motion was carried and accepted.

Community Relations Report - Tim Looper

1. The Giving Team

1. New location forthcoming and we still have a corner table at that function
2. 4th Saturday every month

2. Community Meditation Garden

1. Needing volunteers to adopt a bed to maintain beds
2. Master Gardners sponsor
3. Shawn Quinn asked Tim to draw up a proposal for what would be needed from the board
4. Tim was asked to speak to Walmart and Kroger for donations to CCC(community care cabinet)

3. PARC Project

1. Tyler is working in it to get in up and running
2. Tim said he would draw up a proposal for the network as well
3. Adopt a Board

4. Community Care Cabinet

Kelsie at House Cup is an additional drop off for donations as well as Static. For the CCC Scott Griffin mentioned we were full as far as donations coming in but it is sustaining the CCC

5. Metrics need to be in place to show what the network is contributing Tim will facilitate those metrics

6 Larry Paris made a motion to accept Community Relations Report. Sean Alexander 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

Committee Reports

- A. Program - Lillie said virtual meeting is upcoming
- B. Development- Seraphina wants to head the committee and voiced their desire to lead that committee. Sean Alexander made a motion to have Seraphina be the Development Committee Chair. Larry Paris 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted.
- C. Governance- on hold
- D. Nominations- on hold

Old Business

SOP Updates - Tabled until September Board Meeting

Virtual Board Meeting on BOD Chat in April:

- i. April 5- Approved Sponsorship in amount of \$250 for Miss Gay Arkansas, Approved amended operating account thresholds and transfer process, Approved motion to maintain minimum amount in Diamond Bank (capital campaign) holding account and add funds to our Bank OZK CD

and renew, Approved the Arc Isle rental contract and issue checks for rental and security deposit, and Approved the consignment contract with Static.

ii. April 7- Approved motion to reimburse Larry Paris in the amount of \$34.47 for the purchase of 500 business cards from vista print and approved a motion to renew our Centerlink membership in the amount of \$75.

iii. April 9- Approved motion to reimburse Larry Paris in the amount of \$34.50 for the purchase of 100 stickers with Network logo and QR code to give out at future events.

iv. April 18 - Approved amended motion to add Shawn Quinn as Signatory to Bank OZK CD and Checking account.

c. Calendar of Events

i. Pride Picnic May 30 vendor fee (\$25) it's non refundable unless picnic is cancelled due to weather etc. deposit due by May 15th

ii. Sean made the motion on the vendor fee. Larry 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

ii. Additional Events NOH8 May 13th \$25 per person for group photo and \$40 for individual photo in Little Rock

Pride Pageant August 2nd

Mason Whisenhand was in attendance and we noticed him for providing services to not only the community but behind the scenes as well providing many items to the silent auction.

Mason asked the network to facilitate the awards portion of the pageant at Hot Springs Pride he would still make the awards.

Sean Alexander made a motion to facilitate the awards process for the Hot Springs Pride pageant. Larry 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

Scott Griffin made a motion to reimburse Larry Paris for 36.23 for the plaque Lisa 2nd Motion was carried and accepted

Scott Griffin made a motion to reimburse Larry Paris 49.25 for the hats. Sean Alexander 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

Scott Griffin made a motion to reimburse Lillie Wacaster for 31.64 and 32.80 for crafts supplies for craft night. Larry Paris 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

d. Magic Springs - Update application has been submitted to get a discounted code for the network

e. General Liability, D & O, Professional Liability Insurance quote. Shawn discussed the options and we chose the option for \$1032 per year for coverage

Scott griffin made a motion to go with option 2 for \$1032 per year for insurance coverage for the network. Larry Paris 2nd. Motion was carried and accepted

Spring Fling raised \$1073 from silent auction 100% profit

New Business

a. Static - Drop off site for non-perishable food items and hygiene items for Community Care Cabinet & Food for Thought.

b. Spa Con Update- will be looking at 2027

c. Safe Space Monthly Dinner on hold until a facilitator can be found.

d. Review 2026 budget to be presented to Membership at the June Membership Meeting.

e. Propose Board approves the following Businesses being added to Banner as 2026 Sponsors:

i. UU - Partner with CCC / Space for most events.

ii. Evermark Realty with a \$200 donation and waive vendor fee if Chris would like to set up as a vendor.

iii. VCK with a donation of \$200

iv. Neon Springs Tattoo and Piercing with a donation of \$500

v. Static on Ouachita -

Board approved to amend fundraising tier for friends from \$250 to \$200 as well as approving Static as a friend due to partnership contract and food drop off location for CCC

vi. Dunkin Donuts/ Baskin Robins for their donation in kind with an approximate value of \$1300.

f. Next Board Meeting June 7th Garland County Library RM D
3pm -5pm

g. Membership Meeting June 21st Garland County Library Rm D
3pm-5pm

9. Any other topics of concern

10. Members present that would like to speak (2 minutes)

Bob Loos asked if Lisa could put the statistics into a metrics report for transparency to put on the website and in the book for our records. Lisa said she was already working on this and would be bringing it forward soon

11. Shawn adjourned the meeting at 5:05pm. Sean made the motion and Lisa 2nd motion. Motion was carried and accepted

