



AFSWFLC Membership Meeting Minutes
326 Nokomis Ave. S., Venice FL 34285 March 12, 2025, 11 am-1 pm

Officers Present: Terry Angley - Vice President, Donna DeFiore – Treasurer, Luke OBrien - Secretary

Call to Order: VP Terry Angley called the meeting to order at 11:42 am.

Opening Ceremonies: Invocation - Barbara Vaughn; Pledge of Allegiance - Darlene Harvey; Singing God Bless America - Randy Wedin

Approval of Minutes: Call for adjustments/corrections to prior general membership meeting's minutes. Hearing none, minutes were accepted without revision.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Donna DeFiore reported a beginning balance of \$5,784.85; receipts last month of \$885.45; and an ending balance of \$6,245.86. Rent for the Venice Community center is paid up through June 2025.

Elections: Terry yielded the gavel as Barbara Vaughn held the vote for President - the sole nominee being Terry Angley. The vote was approved by acclamation. Nomination for the resulting vacant office of Vice President was for Mike Stephenson, by Randy Wedin. Tamzin Rosenwasser seconded the nomination. Mike Stephenson was then elected Vice President by acclamation.

Special Guests:

Barbara handed the gavel back to Terry as newly-elected President of AFSWFLC. Terry welcomed visitor Kathy Baker - President of the Charlotte County Trump Club.

Program Speaker:

We were privileged to hear from Dr. Christopher Bonn, speaking on *The Crisis in American Public Education, A System in Decline* (<https://bonfireleadershipsolutions.com>). Dr Bonn is one of the top three keynote speakers in the United States on education, transformation, and reform.

Beginning his career in law enforcement, he transitioned to working within the school system. Holding multiple degrees, including a Doctorate in Educational Leadership, he has 34 years experience in related roles, such as educator (special education), coach, superintendent, and consultant.

He provided many insights as to the state of the educational system - how the education of citizens determines the success of a nation; how school systems are designed for failure; how corrupt administrators and Big Money profit through licensing agreements for curriculum; and how, perhaps unsurprisingly, this is all under the protection and auspices of the U.S. Department of Justice.

50/50 Raffle - \$28 went to winner #9466 Michael Gutzler.

Lawsuit Update - defendants are now required to list discovery - to review the financials. The ongoing trial is next scheduled for October. Defendants continue fighting on principle, not for money.

Candidate Comments: Chris Felder, for State House District 74 encouraged us to stay motivated, advocate, connect with our legislators, and to be activists.

Adjournment: Motion by Barbara Vaughn, seconded by Tamzin Rosenwasser. Adjournment at 1:13pm.

Submitted by: Secretary Luke OBrien

Approved by membership vote on April 09, 2025 with no revision.