

Convention minutes

4/11/26

Opened at 10:20

Read 12 concepts

Roll call: Phil Shaffer, Ben Dunston, Sandy Coisman, Reggie Wattson, Jamie Perkins, Sheri Armstrong, Kris Belanger, Rick Mathieson, Diane Givens, Angela Steele, Rikki Smith

Fundraising- Sheri

-- Sponsor/Sponsee spaghetti dinner. Each has envelope with 10 tickets. Try and sell and return envelope, Sign-ups for food. Focus on getting out of town speakers to open events and convention to a wider area. Next meeting April 20th 6pm Tropical Smoothie

--discussion on H&I event. There was miscommunication on what was actually wanted from fundraising by H&I, in the end it was successful.

Programming- Reggie

--See attached print out- is reaching out to speakers

Hotel- Amanda sick

Registration- Angela

--24 registered so far, sent out emails to last years attendees

-- Milestone speaker Jam and Registration Potluck May 9th 1-5:30 at End of the Road.

Fundraising could possibly sell drinks

Hospitality- Rikki

--Craig speaker from last year getting quote.

--working on schedule for Hospitality room, also signup sheets for homegroups to volunteer. Next meeting May 1st 5pm on zoom.

Merch- Ben

--Banners 4x4, 3x3, 5x8. Pre Conv t-shirts are done and being sold. @0-25 2x and 3x. There are also shirts and sweatshirts for pre sale on website

-- Discussion on merch room and outside vendors, contracts and bids??

Treasurer- Phil - see attached report, working on signatures at bank

May 9th 2026 Convention Meeting Minutes

10:05 am Serenity prayer, and concepts

Roll call: Rick, Kris, Sheri, Sandy, Angela, Rikki, Amanda, Ben, Phil, Diane, Phil

Fundraising: Sheri, \$400 donated to fundraising, Spaghetti dinner was a hit, \$408 in donations, \$220 auction, \$580 ticket sales, \$145 on stripe. Total of \$1013 after \$200 seed money reimbursed.

Bingo pot luck TBD in June. Next meeting June 12th tropical smoothie at 6pm

Programing: Angela, has Reggie's report

Hotels: Amanda, waiting on email for hotel room block number, new contact clayton.rhoten@marriot.com

Registration: Angela, Speaker Jam happening today. \$25 to register today only. 28 registered so far. 2 given as prizes and 2 on line.

Hospitality: Rikki, waiting on bid confirmation to be voted on, \$425 plus 2 room nights, vote passes.

Barry agreed to be the auctioneer! Putting together worksheet for homegroups to volunteer in Hospitality room.

Merch- Ben, ordered more pre convention shirts. \$324 made selling at events.

Treasurer- Phil, Bank accounts have been updated. Our balance is 10,584.75. check for fundraising seed \$200 written and cash for rent space at JCRC \$50.

New Biz- Motion for \$2500 sent to hotel for instalment. Sandy , 2nd Sheri- passed

Talked about the participation being a potential problem to do the convention every year. Thoughts of doing every other year opposite of Knoxville's convention is being discussed.

Talked about the idea of getting the word out now for artwork and theme and announcing winner at the convention. So that we are not scrambling to get something picked out.

Speak to Sarah and Ben Miller about contract for recording.

Aug. 8th rick will be gone, Kris will lead convention meeting.

Motion to close Kris, Sheri second

Convention minutes

6/13/26

Opened 10:07 Read Serenity prayer and Concepts

Roll Call: Rick, Kris, Eddie, Sandy, Sheri, Diane, Jamie, Reggie

Fundraising- Sheri – bingo and pot luck 3-6 at End of the Road mtg.

Possible car wash fundraiser.

Programming- Reggie – Speaker list and workshops are coming along. He needs to talk to Hotel about the layout of the rooms. Looking into airfare for Speakers.

Registration- paper report, next mtg on July 11th at 9:30 at JCRC

Treasurer- See report

Merchandise- Possible outside vendor, Rick spoke with her we looked over contract. It is favorable and we will vote on accepting at next meeting. We need to check and confirm space at Hotel for the merch and vendor.

Hospitality- Pending Approval for final budget of \$1600. Total cost for DJ, banners, hospitality food and supplies.

Hours for Hospitality: Friday 1-7pm and 9-10pm. Sat 7am-7pm and 9-10pm

Sun 8-10am. Needs discussion and possible recommendations from committee.

New Biz- See about getting contract for recording rom Ben and Sarah

Motion to close: Kris 2nd Sandy

Convention Minutes

7/11/26

Open, 12 concepts

Attendance: Rick, Kris, Angela, Ben, Phil, Reggie, Rikki, Amanda, Sandy

Programming: Reggie - Report submitted, sign-ups for workshops- 6 months – 1 year

Registration: Angela – Report submitted, include 2025. Moving \$30 cut off date to September 1st.

Hospitality: Rikki- Budget request being voted on this meeting. Going to area to ask for donations of literature.

Merch: Ben – Turned in \$125 has 14 pre convention shirts left

Treasurer: Phil- Report submitted. Rent paid for meeting to JCRC for the past two months.

Hotel Liaison: Amanda- Hotel has not been responding. She will continue to call and email. Set up a time to go over layout.

Old Biz: Vendor voted on and passed 8/0

Hospitality budget passed 8/0

New Biz: Talk to Hotel about possible dates for convention in 2027/2028

Talk to Homegroups about the willingness to step up for annual convention.

Talked about possible dates of Oct 8,9,10 2027 or Oct 6,7,8 2028

Possibly have an event: Convention speaker event??

Motion to close: Sandy, 2nd Kris

Convention minutes

8/8/26

Attendance: Kris, Eddie, Sheri, Ben, Diane, Amanda, Cliff, Evie, Larry

Hotel Liaison- Amanda- Made contact with the hotel and set up a zoom call. Figured out the set up for workshop rooms.

Registration- See report sent by Angela next meeting Aug. 29th @10:30 JCRC

Fundraising- Sheri- BBQ cook-off speaker Amy W. from North Carolina Saturday Sept 12th 3-6 at Miracles.

Bingo potluck Possibly October 3rd at Miracles?

Hospitality-

Merch- Ben- turned in money to Phil, 11 shirts left.

Will order cups, hoodies, caps, and t-shirt's for convention in October.

Treasurer- Voted to pay Hotel remaining amount of 3k. minus the end food and beverage amount.

Programming- Reggie not present

Motion to close: Kris, 2nd Sheri

Convention Minutes

9/12/26

Open, 12 concepts

Attendance: Rick, Phil, Amanda, Kris, Sheri, Angela, Rikki, Ben, Diane

Went over minutes from last month

Fundraising: Sheri- BBQ event and speaker meeting happening today, Possible bingo in October.

Hospitality: Rikki- Waiting for food quotes from Earth fare. Will have main food on Saturday, Snack food on Friday and bagels on Sunday morning. Talking to GSR's at ASC about homegroups volunteering

Programming: Reggie not present, sent messages about reimbursing for plane tickets for main speakers. One of the speakers will pay for his own and get reimbursed.

Merch: Ben- Cut off for pre order merch is Sept. 30th. 6 pre conv shirts left and will place main order at the beginning of October for convention.

Registration: Angela- Money from registration and new comer donations is \$3,473 and pre conv. Merch is \$880. So far 119 registered.

Waiting on quotes for packets, She will send check promptly and set date for filling convention packets. Oct 24th @ 9:30 is training for cash registers. JCRCNext reg meeting Oct. 3rd @9:30 JCRC and zoom

Hotel Liaison: Amanda- Hotel has responded and they had a zoom mtg to confirm layout of rooms and workshops. Room block has been met.

Treasurer: Phil- Report submitted and rent paid for JCRC, Check book given to Diane as he will be absent at next meeting.

Old Biz- Brought up about what to do with funds from convention if we wait for 2 years had been briefly brought up in past months. Bringing up to remind us to think about and brainstorm ideas.

New Biz- Next mtg Oct 10th @10:30 JCRC, per conv mtg Oct 24th @ 10:30 JCRC. At Oct 24th mtg make decision about annual or bi annual convention so we can announce it at the convention. Wrap up mtg Nov. 22nd @12pm JCRC. Financial wrap up and elections mtg Dec 5th 10am @JCRC. Possible new positions: Member Services and Arts and Graphics

Motion to close 11:20 – Kris, 2nd Amanda