

MINUTES
ASCOG BOARD OF TRUSTEES
6:30 P.M. THURSDAY JULY 16, 2020
ASCOG OFFICE 804 MAIN DUNCAN

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING WAS GIVEN BY LETTER TO THE STEPHENS
COUNTY CLERK DATED DECEMBER 1, 2019. AGENDA WAS POSTED AT ASCOG,
802 MAIN, DUNCAN, OK. AND ON THE WEBSITE**

IN ATTENDANCE

Ralph Beard
Robert Crews
Jesse Cross
Gerald Hayes
Ronny Nelson

STAFF

Ken Jones
Perry Brinegar
Robert Denard
Nancy English
Tom Zigler

ZOOM ATTENDANCE

Terry Wyatt Hollister 580.335.1907
Kris Manriquez AAA Director 580.647.7524

ABSENT

Max Gallaway
Royse Reagan

The meeting was called to order by Dick Herrin, president.

The minutes of the April 16 and May 21 executive committee minutes were approved on motion by Jesse Cross and second by Ronny Nelson. Those voting “aye” were Beard, Crews, Cross, Hayes, Nelson and Wyatt.

The budget report was given by Robert Denard. FY 2021 dues reflecting the increased amounts have been billed.

Kris Manriquez discussed the FY2021 CENA award. The state has not yet disclosed the dollar amount. The final figure will be 50% awardees and 50% days of the week. Robert Crews moved to allow staff to make the allocation when the monies are known. A final report should be available for the September meeting. Jesse Cross seconded and those voting “aye” were Beard, Crews, Cross, Hayes, Nelson and Wyatt.

A change in REAP rules was discussed by Tom Zigler. Conservation Districts have not participated in REAP because they only need equipment and REAP does not fund equipment. Under the REAP rules, two districts could apply by themselves and others could partner with the county. After a lengthy discussion Robert Crews moved to allow conservation districts to apply for REAP grants for equipment. Jesse Cross seconded and those voting “aye” were Beard, Crews, Cross, Hayes, Nelson and Wyatt.

Ken Jones advised plans were underway to make the front area of 804 Main into a media room to enable virtual conferencing for meetings. ASCOG trustee meetings could be held at this location. The Trust Indenture would have to be amended to lower the mandatory number for quorum and allow for ZOOM attendance and participation. The Trust Indenture may be amended by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Trustees present at a meeting with a quorum. Any proposed amendments to the Trust Indenture shall be included in written notice given to each Trustee at their last known address at least fifteen (15) days prior to a meeting called or held for consideration of such amendment. The Trustees, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of Trustees present may adopt, alter and amend the by-Laws of the Trust. After a thorough discussion, staff was directed to proceed. This will be an agenda item for the September full board meeting.

Staff directors updated the trustees on their activities.

There is no meeting in August; the September meeting is on the 17th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Ralph Beard – Secretary

Ken Jones – Executive Director