

Minutes of the ROVAC Board Meeting

January 21, 2020

Not in attendance: Lauren Olson, Bunny Lescoe, Sue Burnham

The meeting was called to order by the President Sue Larsen during the dinner at Portofino's in Kensington.

Secretary

The minutes of the meetings for November & December were tabled since no minutes were available for the Board.

Treasurer

Lisbeth Becker reported that the only major expense paid was the Sullivan & LeShane contract. 17 towns still owed money for the Fall Conference. Cheshire said they sent the check to Lorreine Frampton who has not been treasurer for over 10 years. Windham's check was cashed by the hotel. Coastal

Counties

Fairfield – meeting the end of February

Hartford- Met in January. Technology reported on the 2 authentication. Lots of discussion on DMV and the kiosks for registering to vote. Legislative reported on the proposed agenda. Darlene reported on the court case she just went through. She provided everyone will a summary of the case and sample voting to show how the ballot was reviewed and interpreted.

Litchfield – Meeting February 6

Middlesex – no Report

New Haven – Meeting on January 30th. Tim will be holding a class on the upcoming primary of anyone is interested.

New London – Next meeting is February 20th. They enjoyed a pot luck lunch at their last meeting. Dianne went over the calendar to make sure everyone is doing what needs to be done over the next couple of months.

Tolland – Next meeting is February 5th.

Windham – Not in attendance.

Committee Reports

Conference – Chris reported that the Spring Conference will be May 6 – 8 at the Marriotte in Windsor. Registration will be open around February 1st.

Education – Melissa said there will be a meeting on January 25th in Bethlehem. All are welcome.

Technology – There will be a meeting the end of February. Lisbeth discussed the new kiosks at DMV. The 2 factor authentication will be coming shortly. If you are having any issues, please contact Tom Miano. We must all do it. If you do not have a town email, gmail can be used.

Handbook – No meeting yet but will be looking at the Moderator book. Stuart Wells did a review of the handbook and this will be a starting point for the committee. Darlene said there are a few small adjustments to the ROV handbook that will be done.

Legislative – Tim said the final agenda is similar to last year. He has not met with SOTS yet. The survey response was 40%. April 16th will be ROVAC day at the Capitol. We will do the info graph on EDR. Hopefully George Cody will bring some of his political posters. The new facebook page has 198 followers and 170 likes. Tim will resend the information on it again. Darlene asked to have the legislative agenda sent out. Tim will do.

Ways and Means – Annalisa reminded the county chairs that this conference will have the county baskets.

Old Business

Darlene, Lou and Sue met on the moderator certification file to be put on the portal. Lou is in the processes of including the SOTS file so we are all inclusive. Hopefully, it will be ready in a month.

The two-day spring conference stirred a lot of controversy. Concerns are cost, not enough education, the annual meeting, ROVAC relevance were all discussed. The issue was tabled till the next meeting.

Other Business

Melissa asked that ROVAC send a sympathy card to Christine Reisel on the loss of her sister.

Meeting was adjourned around 9:00.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Larsen