

Jefferson Highway Association  
Oklahoma State Chapter  
Special Meeting – Atoka, OK  
March 13, 2024  
Agenda & Minutes

1. **Call to Order** Time: 3:10pm
2. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Chair:** Billy Sumner will Chair today.
3. **Approval of minutes from last meeting (February 22, 2024)** Jaime motions, Delaina seconds. All Ayes.
4. **Discussion and possible action on temporarily suspending membership eligibility when concerned to voting rights.** Delaina motions to open discussion. Adeline seconds. All ayes. Membership in the State Chapter is not clearly defined yet so if we are going to vote on items we need to have voters. Patti Hobbs suggests that membership eligibility return timeframe be defined by the newly elected board. Billy motions that the voting rights based on membership rule is waived until new board defines membership procedure.
5. **Discussion and possible action on amending Article VI, Section 3 – Terms of Office, to include, the elected office of President and Secretary, during the initial term, will be for only one (1) year, followed thereafter by two (2) year terms that coincides with the Chapter’s annual fiscal year.** Delaina motions to open discussion. Jaime seconds. All ayes. Billy provides context on the origin of the amendment. Billy motions the wording above. Adeline seconds. All ayes.
6. **Discussion and possible action on temporarily suspending membership eligibility for participation in holding office.** Delaina motions to open discussion. Jaime seconds. Billy provides context and possible options for this. Patti Hobbs suggest the 90 days deadline to hold membership in the JHA national level. Adeline suggests a grandfathering system once State Membership is defined. Delaina motions that officers elected will have 90 days to become a member of the national level and the difference with the later-defined State membership fees settled up after the State membership is defined. (Kim Rose seconds, all ayes)
7. **Discussion and possible action on opening the floor for additional nominations for the office of Chapter President.** Delaina motions to open discussion. Jaime seconds. All Ayes. Billy defines open for nominations and the ballot system. Billy motions to open floor for nominations. Delaina seconds. Delaina motions to close floor. Jaime seconds. All ayes.
8. **Election for the office of Chapter President. 2 minute voting poll period. Voting Results:**  
**Adeline – 9 Delaina – 14**  
**Delaina elected Chapter President.**
9. **Discussion and possible action on opening the floor for additional nominations for the office of Chapter Vice-President** Billy opens floor for nominations. Kim seconds. All Ayes. Grace Rudolf nominates Adeline Whisenhunt for VP. Cindy motions to close floor. Delaina seconds. All Ayes.

- 10. Election for the office of Chapter Vice President. 2 minute voting poll period.**  
**Voting Results: Billy – 18 Adeline – 5**  
**Billy Sumner is elected VP**
- 11. Discussion and possible action on opening the floor for additional nominations for the office of Chapter Secretary.** Delaina motions to open the floor. Jaime seconds. All Ayes. Sash gives intro. Grace indorses Sash. Patti Hobbs asks if, for diversity purposes, if anyone from the Northern part of the state would be interested. Adeline countered with the amendment for Secretary and President only being 1 year term this time, and that diversity can be more impactful with the longer term limits after this first year. Roger Bell comments the purpose of the County Representatives for diversity. Delaina motions to close. Jaime seconds. All Ayes.
- 12. Election for the office of Chapter Secretary. 2 minute polling period. Voting results:**  
**Sash - 19 Grace – 4 Sash Johnson is elected Secretary.**
- 13. Discussion and possible action on opening the floor for additional nominations for the office of Chapter Treasurer.** Billy motions to open floor. Jaime seconds. Mike Cathey is nominated. Albert Jones motioned to elect Mike Cathey unopposed. Kyle seconded. All ayes.
- 14. Election for the office of Chapter Treasurer. Mike Cathey is elected as Treasurer Unopposed.**
- 15. Discussion and possible action on setting next meeting and election procedure for the County Representatives.** Billy motions to open discussion. Delaina seconds. All ayes. Discussion of 10 county representatives versus 3 route captains. Roger Bell and Albert Jones talk about the pros and cons of these various sized boards and road organizations. Oliver Skimbo suggests electing county reps that could possibly take over adjacent counties. Jaime motions to have 3 Route Captains on the board. No seconds. Dalaina comments that the energy to organize that part would be best served at the next meeting. Next meeting suggested being fully on Zoom or Checotah. Are there now rules barring zooming officers to vote according to proper quorum rules? - brought up by Kyle. Time options discussed. Potentially 3pm – April 10<sup>th</sup> in Checotah. Delaina will email out further details once confirmed.
- 16. Closing Remarks**  
Where are signs going up? – Kyle. Roger gives another update - Route sign placement is defined along the ODOT routes. Roger gives further closing comments – expressed pride for our state for being the first state chapter and plugged the annual conference next month. Billy thanked the attendees for supporting and being active with the growth of the chapter. Marketing and promotion of the military caravan along the route is an important action item Roger has requested we pursue. Roger adds that he wants a strong effort to reach out to the Oklahoma Department of Tourism especially regarding the caravan.
- 17. Adjournment** Time: Delaina motions to adjourn, Kyle seconds. All aye. 4:20pm