## AAPI General Membership Meeting Minutes The Orleans Hotel & Casino January 26, 2023



The AAPI Annual Membership meeting was called to order by President David Norton with Time After Time on Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 9:12am at the Orleans Hotel & Casino. We had twenty-six (26) voting and other representing members in attendance. He stated that he would entertain a motion for approval of the agenda.

Todd Corneil with Todd Old Time Photos made a motion to officially approve the agenda for the 2023 AAPI General Membership meeting. Aaron Jorgenson with American Legends seconded. Motion was approved.

President David Norton asked the membership to approve the minutes from the 2022 Annual Membership Meeting.

Deanna Cooper with Ashley Nostalgia made a motion to accept the minutes from the 2022 AAPI Annual Membership meeting. Trent Edwards with Buster's Old Time Photos seconded. Motion was approved.

President David Norton gave his President's Report. He introduced the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs. He thanked our Sponsors and Vendors. He introduced the four new attending Studio members: Barking Iron Photography, Michelle Barrett Photography, Old Time Photos Jackson Hole, and Tahoe's Old Time Photos and two Vendor members: Historical Emporium and Memory Makers. He stated that we had ninety-six (96) attendees for the convention (up twelve from last year). He stated that the one major decision the Board made this year was increasing the dues but lower the Vendor fee for the Tradeshow. He talked about why we come to the convention.

Treasurer Hope Hitchcock gave the Treasurer's Report. She went over the financials from 2022. We took in \$46,035.00 in 2022 and spent \$45,360.00 for a net profit of \$675.00. We made \$10,726.00 from last year's convention. We had a total of members at the end of 2022 (currently we are at 48 members - 38 studios and 10 vendors – that is down six from this time last year). Treasurer Hope Hitchcock went over the budget vs actuals for 2022 and asked for questions. With no questions, Treasurer Hitchcock went over the 2023 Budget (see attached). With no questions, President David Norton asked for an approval of the Treasurer's Report.

John Ashley with Ashley Nostalgia made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report presented by Hope Hitchcock. Trent Edwards with Buster's Old Time Photos seconded. Motion was approved. (For a complete financial report, contact AAPI Headquarters.)

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President David Norton asked Nomination Committee Chair Scott Henry with Old Time Portraits to present the slate of officers. Scott Henry presented the slate of officer recommended by the Nomination Committee...

## Officers:

President: **David Norton** with Time After Time

Vice President: Lamont Edwards with Busters Old Time Photos

Treasurer: **Hope Hitchcock** with Witch Pix

Secretary: Val Martin with Emma's Old Time Photos

He explained that there was a cost and time factor involved with being a member of the Board. All Board members pay their own way to the Spring Board meeting. He explained that it was usually two days and held somewhere in the United States. He then asked for nominations from the floor. He stated that we can only take nominations for Secretary and Treasurer from the floor because the by-laws state that the President and Vice President have to come from the current sitting board. With no nominations from the floor, he asked for the Slate of Officers to be accepted by acclamation.

Doug Schirripa with ImageTech Marketing made a motion to accept the slate of Officers for the Board as presented by acclamation. Janice Murphy with Jackson Hole Old Time Photos seconded. Motion was approved.

The 2023 - 2024 Officers are:

President: David Norton with Time After Time

Vice President: Lamont Edwards with Busters Old Time Photos

Treasurer: **Hope Hitchcock** with Witch Pix

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Scott Henry stated that the Directors serve a two (2) year term and that Aaron Jorgenson and Zac Zastava had served the first year of that term and would continue on to complete their second year. Henry told the Members that Susan Tharp was stepping down. He stated that the nominating Committee would like to put forth Deanna Cooper with Ashley Nostalgia to fill the vacant slot. Then, President David Norton called for any other nominations from the floor. With no other nominations from the floor, President Norton asked for a motion to accept the nomination of Deanna Cooper by acclamation.

Rachael Zuleger with Professor Z's Specialty Photography made a motion to accept the slate of Board members presentation by acclamation. Laura Schirripa with ImageTech Marketing seconded. Motion was approved.

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The 2023 – 2024 Board of Directors are...

Directors:

**Deanna Cooper** with Ashley's Nostalgia to serve a two (2) year term.

**Aaron Jorgenson** with Woody's Wild West Old Time Photos to serve one year of a two (2) year term.

Zachary Zastava with DKZ Enterprises to serve one year of a two (2) year term.

President Norton thanked Susan Tharp for her service over the past year on the Board. President Norton thanked the nomination committee.

**New Business** – President David Norton stated that we had signed a contract for the 2024 with the Orleans Hotel & Casino. The dates are January 23 – 25, 2024. Laura Schirripa made a comment that they cannot attend if it stays with those dates. Imaging USA is January 28 - 30, 2024 in Louisville, KY. President Norton stated that the Board would look into some different dates for the 2024 Convention.

President Norton asked the membership for any new business. Being none. He asked the membership for a motion to adjourn.

Hope Hitchcock with Witch Pix made a motion to adjourn the AAPI General Membership Meeting. Deanna Cooper with Ashley Nostalgia seconded. Motion was approved.

The 2023 AAPI General membership meeting was adjourned at.9:49am.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Secretary Valerie Martin,

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Susan Crutchfield Executive Director