

## **Kansas Oxford House State Association Meeting Minutes 3-13-21**

Called to order at 1:05 pm

Chris read the traditions

Marcus read the principles

Roll Call: All Chapters are present

1 World Council

2 Alumni West

1 Alumni East

### **Secretarys Report**

Motion to accept minutes as sent out 2nd **MSP**

### **Treasurers Report**

Beginning Balance: \$39,615.67

Income: \$10,348.00

Subtotal: \$49,963.67

Total Expenses: \$10,632.98

Ending Balance: \$39,330.69

Savings: \$13,666.26

Total Available Moneys: \$52,997.38

Motion to fine \$25 for no audit for Chapter 4,8,15. 2nd

Discussion: Amanda mailed out know situation, Craig sent audit last tuesday, Derek even if mailed off this week it has to be mailed Saturday before state.

Amend motion to fine chapter 4 and 15 \$25 for no audit. 2nd **MSP**

Mail out audits and summary report the saturday before state.

Motion to fine \$25 for no dues check for Chapter 4 and 14. 2nd **MSP**

Motion to fine Chapter 4 for late summary report to Tara \$25. 2nd **MSP**

Motion to accept treasurer's report. 2nd **MSP**

### **Budget and Finance**

No report previous budget and finance relapsed so when they get all that will replicate.

Motion to waive budget and finance report for this meeting. 2nd **MSP**

### **IT Report**

Finished transferring hosting site.

Events page added to site.

Minutes posted to site.

Anyone voted into new positions forward information to Kat to be posted on website.

Submitted finance to Skye.

Motion for reimbursement for \$400 to Kathleen Allee. 2nd **MSP**

Motion to accept IT Report. 2nd **MSP**

### **Alumni East Report**

Held meeting last week big meeting.

Getting the golf tourney and float trip organized for this year.

Golf Tournament will be held in fall August 6th, float trip will be held July 30-August 1.

Alumni annual dues.

Motion to accept Alumni East. 2nd **MSP**

### **Alumni West Report**

Just started doing in person.

Purchased play sets for Men and Children and Women and Children house.

Plaque for Tattoo shop that helps with 50/50 and tattoo raffle for fundraisers.

Alumni helped house that was struggling during covid.

Chapter 16 started their own Alumni Association meeting March 20th

Motion to accept Alumni West. 2nd **MSP**

### **Re-entry Report**

Re-entry meeting held at 11am 3/13/21 via zoom.

chapters present were:1,2,6,9,16 chapter 11 and 14 were late (30min +)

16 apps received 7 accepted and 5 pending

Discussion about putting together a more comprehensive list of reentry houses and using house emails for re-entry applications

Ch 1 - 3 houses

Ch 2 - 3 houses

Ch 6 - 3 houses

Ch 9 - 4 houses

Ch 10 - 2 houses

Ch 11 - 5 houses

Ch 14 - 4 houses

Motion to fine \$25 Chapters 3,4,7,8,11,13,14,15,17 for missing re-entry meeting. 2nd.**MSF**

Discussion: Chapter 8 talked to Stacy about not being present because they are doing their own re-entry thing. Chapter 15 was not aware and Chapter 4 is not re-entry.

Resend Chapter 4 from original motion. Marcus has a significant problem with an hour before meeting posting link, it is pretty irresponsible at a state level. Chuck posted link 2 hours before meeting, re-entry should be on top of it but still it was discussed last state.

Unfair to fine chapters who were unaware. Re-entry held every time we have state and its always before the state meeting itself. Question presented: What is done at the re-entry meeting?

Data is collected, talk of applications that are received, applications that were accepted, and applications that are pending. Seth is curious moving forward is this

absolutely necessary before state and how can we proceed moving forward. Does it need to be something the committee does if state re-entry is part of chat why do we need to continue, not every chapter is re-entry and we respect their anonymity.

Motion for no re-entry meeting before state going forward. 2nd **MSP**

Motion to accept re-entry. 2nd **MSP**

### **World Council Report**

World Council has been meeting regularly over zoom and having check in sessions with members to make sure everyone is doing alright. Our last business meeting was Sunday March 7, 2021. We talked about the summit that all council members go to. We have it tentatively scheduled for May 16-22, however while on the call OHI called us and told us they would prefer we hold off for a little longer. The council was very disappointed about this, and I will be talking to the board of OHI in April to get further information. Council will meet the Sunday after I talk to OHI to figure out our options if they say we cannot meet in May.

I want to remind everyone if anyone is interested in being a part of World Council, you do not have to be a member to be a part of it. Look at the World Council Manual and figure out what area interests you and I can get you in contact with the chair of that committee and you can join! Committee Chairs are all over the US and we would like to get our committees to become very diverse and in different areas. Once you are a part of that committee you will be able join us on our business call during committee reports and be apart that way. Please get in contact with me or Seth Dewey if you have questions or if you are interested in joining any committee.

As of now, Oxford House World Convention is still on! It will be in Washington D.C./Maryland at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center. It will most likely be the weekend of Labor Day 2021. Keep an eye out on updates with the exact date. We will keep you all posted if something changes but be thinking of fundraising ideas to get people to go! It is expensive with flight, hotel, and convention registration fee. Think of people you want to go with that you would not mind sharing a room so it will be cheaper.

As long as the Convention happens, I am saddened to say my time on World Council will be coming to an end, but I am excited to see who wants to step up. My term was a 3-year term and is for a resident only. Seth has the Alumni 3-year term for Kansas at the moment. You must still live in an Oxford House at time of elections. We will talk further in the next State meetings on details.

I am always available if anyone has questions or needs advice! Please do not hesitate to reach out!

-Stephanie Curry- World Council Chair

Motion to accept World Council Report. 2nd. **MSP**

### **Housing Services East Report**

Last meeting discussed sitting in on Chapter 15 meeting and did, met Nick who is present on state zoom. They are rebuilding and headed in the right direction. Topeka opening a Men and Childrens house April 1st, helping to replicate Behavior Contracts to help people and not just throw people out if behaviors can be corrected with a contract. Lifes a Beach event to be held May 8th. OHMAC convention in Oklahoma to be held February of 2022.

### **Housing Services West Report**

Motion to accept Housing Services West Report. 2nd. **MSP**

### **FORA Report**

Use Oxford house emails, email was assigned when house was opened contact FORA if you need to reset password for house email. FORA loan payments have been being paid. Librel Haven given time off to help build house funds. Monthly survey to be filled out online, it should match the number of people in house. Starting in May monthly reports to be done online and submitted before the 15th of the month. 140 houses, 1082 bed, 167 openings puts Oxford House Kansas at 14% vacancy. Dodge City doing well, Librel Haven has 5 females getting ready to move in, will have 9 girls total, still receiving applications and still struggling in some areas but with replication will get better.

Motion to accept FORA. 2nd.**MSP**

### **Revolving Loan Report**

All loans are current.

Motion to accept revolving loan report. 2nd. **MSP**

Discussion: Please consider talking to chapters for donations for revolving door fund. Leigh Anne offered to help with quick books for revolving loan. Members need to step up to take care of position, be of service. Responsibility falls on us at a state level to take care of revolving loan office.

### **Chapter Summary Reports**

#### **Chapter 1**

Number of houses: 9

Number of beds: 81

Checking Account Balance: \$8358.02

Savings Account Balance: \$5430.70

Number of Vacancies: 12

Number of Relapses: 12

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$200

Our chapter is doing pretty good. Everyone is settling into their new chapter positions very well. We did have to re-elect a new treasurer in February because our original treasurer relapsed, but we are all working to get our new treasurer trained and help her anyway we can. We did have 1 house go on contract because of issues with following democratic process, but we are working with them and helping them make sure they understand the democratic process and get back on track. I am very happy that our vacancies are low right now and everyone really seems to be coming together for this new year.

## **Chapter 2**

Number of houses: 10

Number of beds: 87

Checking Account balance: \$11,003.02

Savings Account balance: \$3,294.96

Number of vacancies: 6

Number of relapses: 6

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$870.00

Topeka Chapter 2 is doing great. We are trying to see about getting into rehabs to get presentations started, it will most likely be by zoom. We are opening a new men and childrens house, it should be open April, the houses are doing good and we have good chairs in chapter 2.

## **Chapter 3**

Number of houses: 12

Number of beds: 105

Checking Account balance: \$ 6125.38

Savings Account balance: \$ 1696.89

Number of vacancies: 18

Number of relapses: 2

Dues paid: yes

Contribution to OHI: \$ 0

We had an issue where we had to go into Lincoln house they were almost out of money and didn't have many members in the house. We called several ER meetings, we put them on a promissory note for a loan of \$1,350.00 to pay rent. Chapter with the help of some other people have gone over to replicate the proper way to do things to keep this from happening again. We also motioned to move the house to a different location. All other houses are doing good and go to meetings as required, we havent done any presentations yet due to Covid-19.

## **Chapter 4**

Number of houses: 9  
Number of beds: 71  
Checking Account balance: \$ 10,647.79  
Savings Account balance: \$ 4,762.34  
Number of vacancies: 14  
Number of relapses: 7  
Dues paid: yes  
Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Houses have stepped up on their loans. We have had a couple unity events for the chapter at Kennedy and Cooper House.

### **Chapter 5**

No report will discuss in new business

### **Chapter 6**

Number of houses: 5  
Number of beds: 38  
Checking Account balance: \$ 5804.87  
Savings Account balance: \$ 3682.97  
Number of vacancies: 12  
Number of relapses: 3  
Dues paid: yes  
Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Chapter 6 had a chili feed on February 21, it went well, looking into future events. Chapter trying to get involved with WCC to learn how things work. Liberal Haven house has gotten more members. Boothill house is at 3 members and currently struggling.

### **Chapter 7**

Number of houses: 11  
Number of beds: 96  
Checking Account balance: \$ 10,303.76  
Savings Account balance: \$ 14, 690.84  
Number of vacancies: 13  
Number of relapses: 6  
Dues paid: yes  
Contribution to OHI: \$ 0

Doing well, have one house that housing services is helping with replication because the house has all new members. The two houses with loans one only owes \$500 and the other already started paying back earlier than planned.

### **Chapter 8**

Number of houses: 15  
Number of beds: 137  
Checking Account balance: \$ 5,680.30  
Savings Account balance: \$ 4,272.20  
Number of vacancies: 23  
Number of relapses: 3  
Dues paid: yes  
Contribution to OHI: \$ 0

Chapter is doing well, we opened 2 new houses Friedberg and Willowcreek, March 1, 2021. Leo is looking for new house. Still working on Grace Haven. Ash house had shooting unrelated to house (gang shooting) member who was shot is recovering won't regain eyesight, working with landlord to move house out of area. Will be doing a fundraiser to help with funds for moving.

### **Chapter 9**

Number of houses: 8  
Number of beds: 74  
Checking Account balance: \$ 4744.94  
Savings Account balance: \$ 5,000.29  
Number of vacancies: 11  
Number of relapses: 3  
Dues paid: yes  
Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

It is doing good, we did donations last month we only have one loan out and its getting paid.

### **Chapter 10**

Number of houses: 6  
Number of beds: 48  
Checking Account balance: \$ 5,814.31  
Savings Account balance: \$ 3,270.89  
Number of vacancies: 5  
Number of relapses: 2  
Dues paid: yes  
Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Chapter 10 is doing well with almost all beds filled. No conflicts have been reported. We are looking forward to having our April chapter meeting in person. Still working on a t-shirt design for the chapter.

### **Chapter 11**

Number of houses: 8

Number of beds: 63

Checking Account balance: \$ 7,904.22

Savings Account balance: \$ 1,000.34

Number of vacancies: 12

Number of relapses: 11

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

We have had a couple houses needing housing services there to help with personality conflict and replicating positions. Our womens and childrens house has been increasing their child cap after 3 women were getting their children back. They have not taken suggestions accordingly, so we are having an emergency chapter meeting Sunday 3/7/21 to address the situation. Purcell house continues to have vacancy issues.

### **Chapter 12**

Number of houses: 3

Number of beds: 19

Checking Account balance: \$ 1,520.16

Savings Account balance: no savings account

Number of vacancies: 2

Number of relapses: 4

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Our chapter is doing just okay. Seems like as soon as we elect new officers, things change again, someone relapses. We are moving forward though. Communication between the houses has gotten better.

### **Chapter 13**

Number of houses: 10

Number of beds: 101

Checking Account balance: \$ 4,044.54

Savings Account balance: \$ 4,600.14

Number of vacancies: 17

Number of relapses: 11

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0



NA and AA attendance could be a little higher but with covid we have not been pushing the issue. We restructured Phillips West they are doing a lot better now. We also put Hastings on a house contract because they could not pay their bills. Over all I think we have a really strong chapter and with covid going on still we have not been doing social events.

#### **Chapter 14**

Number of houses: 8

Number of beds: 60

Checking Account balance: \$ 11,564.29

Savings Account balance: \$ 2,001.90

Number of vacancies: 6

Number of relapses: 1

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Great just did elections so everyone is learning their positions. REPLICATION.

#### **Chapter 15**

Number of houses: 6

Number of beds: 47

Checking Account balance: \$ 9,886.88

Savings Account balance: \$ 0

Number of vacancies: 9

Number of relapses: 3

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0

Arrowhead paid back loan. Emergency meeting February 1, Partridge house funds were low. Motioned to have \$750 available if needed, Partridge did use money. Everyone instructed to use official emails. Elections to be held in March. Partridge whole house on financial contract will be off next week. Elections going on people will change monday.

#### **Chapter 16**

Number of houses: 8

Number of beds: 76

Checking Account balance: \$ 11,024.05

Savings Account balance: \$ 0

Number of vacancies: 7

Number of relapses: 9

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$1,000.00

Over the last two months Chapter 16 has struggled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We have had multiple houses quarantine due to positive cases. Which leaves us with the constant reminder to be cautious when going out in public and who we surround ourselves with. On a brighter side of things our fundraiser committee has been able to safely and successfully hold a couple fundraisers and will continue to do so. As we are looking forward to sending as many people to world as possible. We are getting closer to May which means we will be holding elections for new Chapter positions. With that being said this will be my last state meeting as Chapter Chair for Chapter 16. Unfortunately I was not able to attend because I have family obligations but it has been an honor serving in this position with all of you. GOOD LUCK! Chapter 16 always replicating! Hays' struggling lack of replication help get back to where they need to be.

### **Chapter 17**

Number of houses: 6

Number of beds: 46

Checking Account balance: \$ 5,040.70

Savings Account balance: \$ 0

Number of vacancies: 3

Number of relapses: 3

Dues paid: yes

Contributions to OHI: \$ 0 (Individual houses pay that)

I believe we have the potential to be great. All the officers, including myself, are new to our positions, so there is a lot of learning to be done. I believe that we will have it down in no time.

Motion to accept Chapter Summary Reports. 2nd. **MSP**

### **Old Business**

OHMAC has been postponed until february 2022. Seth is chair. Kansas is representing on the planning committee.

Motion to make a \$5,000 donation to OHMAC **MSF**

Since fundraising is hard to do at this time, is it necessary to do it now that it is over a year ago?

Roll Call Vote : 7 - in favor

11- oppose

Chapter 9/15 not present during vote

World Council Rep will be available this coming up year. If you're interested in running talk with Stephannie or Seth!

Chapter 8: Motion to make a \$2,000 donation for the 2 houses they are opening (\$1,000 per house)

They do have a FORA Loan and 1 house has a State Loan. The house in Winfield was thrown at them but has decided to step up and take on the house.

Roll Call Vote : 19 - in favor

Chapter 15 not present

Multiple chapters suffering financially because of covid. Talks about Covid relief for chapters that are under \$10,000. Total chapters under are 12. FORA says those that are suffering can get a loan through the revolving loan fund. Application maybe... which chapters are being affected. A committee should be setup, involving the treasurer and budget and finance chairs to approve. Motion to give chapters 11, 13, 6 and 5 covid relief donation of \$2,000

Roll Call Vote : 19 - in favor

If any other chapter needs help we will have an emergency meeting.

(Chapter 10 left meeting)

Motion to Amend Budget to add Covid Relief line item of \$25,000 **MSP**

Elections:

Chair :

Beau C nominated - declined

Chris R nominated - declined

Craig V nominated - declined

Marcus P nominated - declined

Chris C nominated - accepted

Sean K nominated - declined

Thomas S nominated - accepted

Sky M nominated - declined

Paul B nominated - declined

Motion to accept Thomas S as state chair **MSP**

Co Chair :

Chris C nominated - accepted

Sean K nominated - accepted

Tara E nominated - accepted

Kasia H nominated - accepted

Motion to accept Chris C as State co chair **MSP**

IT Chair - Paid position

Secretary :

Tara E nominated - accepted  
Gary R nominated - accepted  
Sky M nominated - accepted  
Kasia H nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept Tara E as state secretary **MSP**

Treasurer :  
Sky M nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept Sky M as State treasurer **MSP**

Budget & Finance:  
Kasia H nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept kasia H as Budget and finance chair **MSP**

Alumni East :  
Motion to table alumni east **MSP**

Alumni West :  
Derrick D nominated - accepted  
Travis W nominated - accepted  
Beau C nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept all 3 **MSP**

Re-entry :  
Motion to keep Stacy M chair Rescinded

Motion to change bi-laws to read "Re-entry chair position to a 2 year term **MSP**  
Stacy M to continue to be Re-entry chair until next year. Re-entry committee will elect committee positions except the chair position.

Housing Services East Chair :  
Marcus P nominated - accepted  
Sean K nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept Marcus p as State housing services east chair **MSP**

Housing Services East Co chair :  
Sean K nominated - accepted  
Leah M nominated - accepted  
Motion to accept Sean k as state housing services east co chair **MSP**

Parliamentarian :  
Accept Seth D as Parliamentarian **MSP**

Housing Services East Chair :

Gary R nominated - accepted

Motion to accept Gary R as State housing services west chair **MSP**

Housing Services West Co chair :

Dustin B nominated - accepted

Motion to accept Dustin B as State Housing services west co chair **MSP**

Revolving Loan Officer :

Colby H nominated - accepted

Motion to accept Colby H as Revolving Loan Officer **MSP**

Chapter 15 has not been at the state meeting since may. No payments for dues this month, or last state meeting. Chuck has reached out to the chair. Housing services east should attend the next chapter meeting for a welfare check and extend a helpful hand if needed. Marcus P will keep the state in the loop.

Motion to accept chapter 5 as part of the state association **MSP WELCOME !!!**

Motion to fine Chapter 10 \$25.00 for leaving the state meeting early **MSP**

Motion to fine chapter 10, 12, and 17 \$25.00 for not emailing chapter summary report by saturday january 2nd to the secretary. **MSP**

Motion to fine chapter 15 \$25.00 for not attending the state meeting **MSP**

Motion to Fine chapter 9 and 12 \$25.00 for no audit **MSP**

Motion to fine chapter 14 \$25.00 for not turning in dues **MSP**

Motion to fine chapter 15 and 17 \$50.00 for no audit or dues **MSP**

Motion to transfer \$200.00 to savings account **MSP**

Plan on next state meeting being on zoom.

Motion to accept old business. 2nd. **MSP**

Motion for 10 minute break. 2nd. **MSP**

Re Open meeting at 3:19 pm with a moment of silence followed by serenity prayer.

### **New Business**

Election of revolving loan officer. Discussion of revolving loan officer being tabled til next state so it can be sorted and taken care of.

Motion to table til next meeting. 2nd. **MSP**

World Council nominations:

Discussion: its early September 2-5 are the dates so a little early to be doing nominations. It is important however to start thinking about world council, get with former people and find out about it, wait til we know more about convention. Make sure you can commit to 3 year term and that you know the job responsibilities and you will not fall off. Steph explain the process of getting voted onto world council.

Motion to table nominations til next meeting. 2nd. **MSP**

Re-Entry Chair Election:

Patricia Linton nominated - accepted

Jeff Bendure nominated - accepted

Motion to make Patricia Re-Entry Chair. 2nd. **MSP**

Re-Entry Co-Chair Elections:

Jeff Bendure nominated - accepted

Jeff unopposed so Jeff is new re-entry co-chair.

Alumni East

Ashley Hennesy nominated - 2nd - **MSP**

Alumni West

Doug Kelly nominated - 2nd - **MSP**

Next meeting in person or zoom? New guidelines, air on the side of caution.

Motion to do zoom. 2nd. **MSP**

Discussion: Why can't the people that want to show up do that and the ones that can't or don't want to do it on zoom. Some counties are not able to do in person events either way its hard to hear.

Saturday, May 8, 2021 is next state meeting via zoom.

Motion to accept Chapter 5 as full member of State Association. 2nd. Rescinded

Motion to have Chapter 5 start paying dues and be held to the same standard as the rest of State Association. 2nd. **MSP**

Discussion: Will bring it to Chapter 5 as to what they need to do moving forward.

Miscellaneous New Business

Motion for \$ 1,500.00 donation for World Convention Committee for golf tourney. 2nd. **MSP**

Roll Call Vote: 19 - in favor

Chapter 5/13 not present during vote

Braeburn Paintball Tournament

Motion \$ 1,500.00 donation for Braeburn for paintball tournament. 2nd. Rescinded

Nic wants to see state forms done online.

Can not do that right now because we are only doing state via zoom til May.

Motion to make \$ 1,000.00 donation to Chapter 8 for Michael Buddenhagen for medical bills. 2nd. **MSP**

Discussion: Nic agrees but would like to see more because \$ 1,000 won't scratch the surface. Beau we have done donations for funerals and memorials but I think it is a good idea since it happened in an oxford house.

Roll Call Vote: 20 - in favor

Chapter 5 not present during vote

Motion to close. 2nd. Rescinded.

Reimbursements:

Kat Allee - \$ 400.00

Stacy Minor - \$ 40.00 for gas

KOSA Savings- \$ 200.00

Skye Mai - \$ 15.00 for files

WCC - \$ 1,500.00

Chapter 8 - \$ 1,000.00

Motion to pay reimbursements. 2nd. **MSP**

Roll Call Vote: 20 - in favor

Chapter 5 not present during vote

Motion to close. 2nd. Rescinded.

Motion to accept New Business. 2nd. **MSP**

Motion to close. 2nd. **MSP.**

**Closed at 4:55 pm**

