Tennessee Trails Association (TTA)
Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting
November 5, 2022
Glenstone Lodge
Gatlinburg, TN

The 2022 Annual Business Meeting of the Membership was convened by TTA President Libby Francis at 7:05 pm ET (Eastern Time).

#### **New Business/ Board of Directors Elections**

Libby read the report of Duane Frichtl, chairman of the Board of Director's Nominating Committee, presenting candidates the Committee recommends to the Membership for election to 4 open positions on the 2023 TTA Board of Directors. The candidates the Committee recommends for 3 open At-Large Director positions are Susan Woods (Jackson Chapter) Mark Hubbard (Nashville Chapter), and Wayne Drown (SumnerTrails Chapter). The candidate the Committee recommends for the open position of Middle TN Regional Director is Sara Pollard (Murfreesboro Chapter).

Libby called for candidate nominations from the floor. Hearing none, Libby made the motion to elect by acclamation vote, the 4 candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee. Motion carried.

Another new Board member, Will Latham (Scenic City Chapter), was elected by Executive Committee vote during 2022, to fill a vacancy in the Board position of East TN Regional Director.

### 2022 Leadership and Chapter Recognition

Libby recognized exceptional contributions to the Association in 2022 from Cheryl Heckler in Membership, Doug Burroughs in the TTA website, and Mark Hubbard in management of the TTA Facebook. Libby recognized and thanked LouAnn Partington for 10 years service as TTA Newsletter Editor. She also recognized and welcomed Mary Lewis Tims as new Editor, pending Board approval.

Representatives from the following chapters made brief comments on behalf of their chapters:

East Tennessee Memphis
Highland Rim Plateau
Jackson Scenic City

All Chapters were recognized by having members present stand and be recognized by applause.

# **TTA Board Officer and Committee Reports**

June Callahan (Treasurer), Cheryl Heckler (Membership Committee Chairman), and Jane Coffey (Evan Means Grant Program Committee Chairman) presented slideshow reports recapping 2022 activity in their areas of TTA management.

#### **2022 Association Awards**

Awards presented for 2022 were

Bill Stutz Award

Winner, John and Deborah Martin (Plateau Chapter)

Tennessee Trails Award

Winner, June Callahan (Nashville Chapter)

Bob Brown Lifetime Achievement Award

Winner, Earl Helmer (Scenic City Chapter)

# 2023 TTA Annual Conference

Wayne Simpson (Memphis Chapter) reported on dates and preliminary plans for the 2023 TTA Conference to be hosted by the Memphis and Jackson chapters.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm ET

Minutes submitted by Melinda Pearson, TTA Secretary, 11-28-22