

The Illinois Association of County Clerk and Recorders held a business meeting during the Illinois Association of County Officials' Spring conference. The meeting was held April 24, 2012 at the Hilton Hotel, Springfield, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by President Sally Litterly. She thanked all for attending, noting there were approximately 70 clerks and vendors present.

A motion to approve the minutes of January 23, 2012 was made by Dave Dobill, seconded by Robin Harper-Whitehead, and passed. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Bill Blessman, seconded by Bill Downey and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Bruce Clark announced the Skip Lueth Scholarship will once again be sponsored by GBS. This is in the amount of \$1000 awarded to an association members' child or grandchild for college use. A scholarship form had previously been established by Mark VonNida. We will be using the same. Applications are due June 1. (A previous deadline was March 1, so the scholarship could be presented in April) There are three criteria applicants are judged on: Academic, Leadership/Volunteerism, and need. Of five IACO scholarships being awarded, county clerks' children are receiving two. This will be set up the same way. Bruce Clark made a motion to extend the deadline until June 1. Seconded by Larry Reinhardt, passing. The application will be available on the website and will also be distributed through the zones. President Litterly appointed the president of each zone to the scholarship committee. This will be Chaired by Bruce Clark. The recipients will be announced at the September meeting.

LEGISLATIVE

Larry Reinhardt will work with TOA to draft legislation concerning the township annual meeting referenda issue. We welcomed a special guest—retired Morgan County Clerk Barb Gross. Mike Hoffman presented his report prior to the business meeting. We were reminded to begin charging an additional \$2 fee on death certificates beginning July 1. There was some discussion if this fee should still be passed by county resolution even though this is mandated by the state. We should refer to our state's attorney. The clerks all had concern of where the fee could be used once paid to the state. The law case involving the rental housing surcharge is still active. We will keep a watch on this.

NEW

Robin Harper-Whitehead is selling ducks to benefit the Heather Treet Memorial Fund. The September clerk's conference will be held in East Peoria at the Embassy Suites. Andrea Mahoney-Platt and Josh Langfelder will be helping to organize this conference. Georgia England stated it was hopeful a Special Action Committee meeting would be held in July or August to finalize activities for the September conference. We will have a silent auction in September. Everyone is encouraged to bring a donation.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, President Litterly entertained a motion to adjourn from Tom Ganz. This was seconded by Joan Carretto. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Alice Mullinax, secretary