

OKLAHOMA MASTER LOCKSMITH ASSN
MEMBERSHIP MINUTES 2/3/07
HOLIDAY INN SELECT, TULSA OK

President Mike McGrew called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Jerry Casey gave the invocation and we recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call revealed all but 2 Board members in attendance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mike told us that the meetings for the application process had been going well except for one weather cancellation and that so far 263 locksmiths had been registered and extended his thanks to Matt Schue's staff and those OMLA volunteers who had assisted.

Harry told us about the Trade Show and said that all distributors at today's show were returning next year and there were only a couple of unsold booths left. He said also, that due to some of the distributors picking up lunch and room rentals, our organization had made money.

Bonnie asked that the minutes be approved. Motion passed.

Loretta presented the financial report explaining the expenditures and monies received.

NEW BUSINESS

Neither Mike nor Harry had any new business since they had covered everything during unfinished business.

Bonnie presented several candidates for membership: Mary Osborne, Marton Williams, Kenneth Ellington, Kevin Nugent, Virgil Carter, Robert Williams, Bryan Woodard, Steve Lutz and Scott Blackwell. Mike swore them all in after they were approved by the membership.

Loretta asked for authorization to pay the bills. Motion passed.

Mike informed the members that the Board had voted to raise dues in 2008 to \$50. Anyone who paid their 2008 dues prior to 1/1/08 could still pay the current rate of \$25.

Dave Wofford addressed the issue of the cost of mailing the newsletter out and announced that the newsletter would only be mailed to those members who are willing to pay a \$25 charge to defray the mailing costs.

Dave also announced that he will be teaching a Tidell class for the Ozark Professional Locksmith Assn on March 17 in Rogers, AR.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Kenny Lee award was presented to Laurie Simon.

Plaques of appreciation were also presented to Lowell Roberts and Charles Hudecek for outstanding achievement in their work on the Legislative Action Committee.

A brief discussion of the latest issues regarding the licensing law and what would need to be accomplished lead Clint Parsons to make the following resolution and ask for the membership approval:

“We the body of the Oklahoma Master Locksmith Association does hereby resolve”

1. Having faith in our elected Board

2. Seeing the importance in our Legislative Action Committee
3. Knowing that decisions must be made regarding support to the Legislative Action Committee

Do hereby resolve to join with our Board and support their decisions both today and forward in supporting the Legislative Action Committee both in action and in financing.”

The resolution was passed by the body of membership.

Lowell told us that of a new law outlawing possession of bump keys except by locksmiths.

Grady Grant told us that the City of Tulsa has passed an ordinance, requiring anyone installing magnetic locks to have a special permit or face a heavy penalty.

Jerry Casey reminded us that OPLA would have a meeting on March 17 in Rogers, AR and that Dave Wofford would be teaching a Tidell class.

Mike informed us that CD Lipscomb had agreed to lead the nominating committee as all officers positions would be coming up for election in November.

The meeting was then adjourned so that the members could enjoy Laurie Simon’s presentation on the history of locksmithing.

Respectfully submitted
Bonnie Sher, Secretary