

Saturday, May 3, 2003 Meeting Minutes

The May 3, 2003 membership meeting of the Oklahoma Master Locksmith Association was called to order at 5:29 p.m. by our President, Mike McGrew. This meeting was held at the Best Western Saddleback Inn, Ok. City, Ok. The invocation was given by Kenny Lee. The membership gave the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call of all officers, committees, and directors was given by the secretary, Nelda Minick. Those present were: Mike McGrew, Nelda Minick, Loretta Loomis, Paula Sands, and Scott Hancock.

Those absent at this meeting were: Harry Sher, Johnny Stewart, Jerry Casey, Frank Belizzi.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Secretary, Nelda Minick, asked that the previous membership meeting minutes of Feb. 1, 2003, be approved as printed in the newsletter. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Scott Hancock. Motion was 2nd'd and motion carried by the vote of all members present. Loretta Loomis read and explained the financial report. Paula Sands stated that if anyone needed replacement ID badges, the cost would be \$2.00. The association pays for the cost of the first badge for each member.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike McGrew presented C.D. Lipscomb with our associations Certificate of Appreciation for his taking time to help with our PRP class this weekend. Mike discussed the date of our future November meeting in Ok. City, Ok. Nov. has an extra weekend in the month. It was discussed whether to have the meeting the 15th or the 22nd. It was decided to hold our November 2003 meeting on the 15th. This weekend would also meet with C.D. Lipscomb schedule to teach a Nov. education class. Mike mentioned the need for our association to elect a new nominating committee chairman for the new upcoming 2004-2005 officers. Directors would not need to be re-elected until the following year. Jim Loomis graciously volunteered for this position. Jim was elected as our nominating committee chairman by acclamation from the members present. The nominating committee will only need to fill the position of Secretary, as all other officers had agreed to serve another term. Mike asked for "brainstorming" ideas from members to find ways to help get more people interested in attending our meetings. Flyers, extra advertising, phone calling, different types of educational classes, etc. were possible suggestions for helping our association to grow. C.D. Lipscomb suggested having some certification classes by Ingersoll/Rand. C.D. also stated, "Educating ourselves and learning about other lock products would be very beneficial for those interested in attending this type of class for their certification." Cost of classes was also discussed. Types of the classes and advanced response was discussed by many different members present. Tommy Minick poled the membership to ask if Sat. or Sun. was better for our scheduling dates. A. B. Parker made suggestion for doing an IC Core class. All members should help call other locksmiths in their area to help improve our attendance and invite them to our upcoming meetings. Scott Hancock mentioned our future classes that are scheduled to be held at our next Aug. meeting. C.D. stated that, "A Good Lock Association has more political power in legislation. The bigger and better our association is, the better it is for us when trying to solve legislation problems." Billy & Janis Reves, and other members also stated how we should all "pull together" to help our associations advancement.

Nelda introduced a new locksmith applicant for membership., and read his application. His name is Robert Honea, from Bartlesville, Ok. Mr. Honea would be an apprentice member as he has only been in the locksmith industry since January of this year. Mr. Honea's sponsor is Mike McGrew. After discussion, the motion was made, 2nd'd, and approved by all members present to accept Mr. Honea as an apprentice member into our association. Mr. Honea was sworn in for membership by our president, Mike McGrew.

Treasurer, Loretta Loomis, asked for approval to pay the bills for this weekend. Motion was made to approve the bills by Tommy Minick, and 2nd'd by Dusty Brummitt. Motion carried by all present.

It was stated by Mike that members would only be allowed to check-out a maximum of two videos at one time from our lock video library. When those two are returned then another two could be checked out by that person. Mike also announced that Johnny Stewart's wife, Regena would be having neck surgery soon. Also, C.D. Lipscomb's daughter was ill.

Education chairman, Scott Hancock, told the membership about the Tax class given by Dewey Brandon, from the Okla. Tax Comm. that was taught this morning; as well as the PRP prep class given by C.D. Lipscomb. Scott also discussed the classes for our next meeting on Aug. 16th. There will be two ½ day classes so everyone will be able to attend both classes.

Mr. Brandon, with the Tax Commission will teach a ½ day class that Sat. morning and Tommy Minick, will teach a Safe Combination Change, ½ day class that same Sat. afternoon.

The cost for the Tax class will be \$10.00 and the Safe Comb. Change class will be \$20.00. For all those that wish to take both classes and **pre-register ahead of time**, the discounted price would only be \$25.00. In the future, some 1-day classes will be scheduled. C.D. Lipscomb will be teaching a 1 day class on Basic locksmith Picking and Impressioning at our Nov. 15th weekend meeting. Another future class will be on servicing Safe Deposit Box locks. This class will be taught by A.B. Parker and Lowell Roberts.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

At our next Aug. 16th meeting, we will be having our annual Swap Meet. Tommy Minick will be chairman of this event. Tommy discussed different ideas for our Swap Meet with the members present. Tommy asked everyone to call him with a list of types of items they would be bringing to the swap meet. This list will be published in advance in our newsletter and in flyers for our suppliers to send with their outgoing shipments. The swap meet would also be announced on the "ClearStar" network and with A.L.O.A. Everyone should call all their other locksmith friends and encourage them to attend the Swap Meet so they can acquire great merchandise at a great discount price.

Janis Reves discussed the upcoming Van Buren, Arkansas locksmith meeting and stated that flyers were available with all the information. This meeting will be at the Holiday Inn Express in Van Buren.

Our free education weekend winner was Larry Sands.

Our association wishes to thank Loretta and Jim Loomis, and Tommy and Nelda Minick for donating this weekends door prizes. The door prize winners were Janis Reves, Randy Gregory, Tommy Minick, and Wilma Lee.

Our next meeting will be Aug. 16th, at the Holiday Inn Select in Tulsa, OK, At 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn our meeting by A.B. Parker, and 2nd'd by Jackie Roberts. Motion carried. The membership meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

As Reported By:

Nelda Minick, OMLA Secretary