

TOTFA Board Meeting Minutes
Nov 23, 2013

Board Attendees:

X	Bart Baker	X	Jason Andrew
X	Jordan Bankston	X	Ed Carnes
X	John Crawford		Julie Morris

Meeting at Crawford home began at 11:05 am, lunch 12:30-1 pm, adjourned at 2:05 pm

Old Business

- 1) Jason will contact T-shirt company in Sherman
 - a) Need to know what types of designs
- 2) John will order and donate the cost of a TOTFA stamp to use on thank you notes.

New Business

- 1) T-shirts as fundraiser
 - a) Need design, and number of colors. Ed & Jason have contacts for this once decisions are made.
- 2) Fundraising events in good weather can be held at Bart's home in Alvarado.
- 3) Tax items for TOTFA: Board is reviewing federal reporting requirements.
- 4) TOTFA Bylaws have been updated based on vote at annual convention on Nov. 9, 2013 and will be published on the TOTFA website.
 - i) Changes were made due to adoption of 1 "musician" membership rather than "fiddler" and "accompanist", and acceptance of out-of-state members who may also serve on the board.
 - ii) Ed moved we accept the reformatted bylaws which incorporate changes as voted on by membership at convention, John seconded, motion carried.**
- 5) Other items
 - i) Dress code for contestants: Many older audience members pay attention to dress. Board encourages proper dress and timely appearance when contestant is called to stage.
 - b) Improvements to contests: hire judges prior to contest, recruit good MC and contest helpers, create contest packet to help contest run more smoothly.
- 6) Marty McPherson has expressed interest in hosting the 2014 TOTFA contest & convention. **John motioned we combine the TOTFA convention/contest with the Dale McPherson Memorial contest in Glen Rose, Tx. in 2014, Bart seconded, motion carried.**
- 7) Membership is important. Consolidate member list, review expirations, and remind members to renew.
- 8) Discussed fund raiser before March 2014 if possible.
- 9) Next board meeting scheduled for Dec. 21, 2013.
- 10) John motioned to adjourn meeting at 2:05 pm, Jordan seconded, motion carried.**