PROPOSED MINUTES (To be approved at next meeting)

LOUISIANA CLERKS OF COURT ASSOCIATION 68TH ANNUAL LOUISIANA CLERKS OF COURT CONFERENCE OPENING SESSION WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2013 AT 9:00 AM HILTON CAPITOL CENTER, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

The 68th Annual Louisiana Clerks of Court Conference was called to order by Louie Bernard, who also gave the Invocation. The colors were presented by the Livingston Parish Sheriffs' Office Explorers. Tammy Foster, 1st Vice President, led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dagmar Hebert sang the National Anthem.

Louie then introduced the Host Clerk, Tom Sullivan, to a standing ovation and thanked him for hosting the Conference.

Tom welcomed everyone to Baton Rouge and called for the entertainment to begin.

The assembly was entertained by President Lynn Jones and his deputy, Joey, to the William Tell Overture, as well as a performance by the Soggy Bottom Boys and a skit by Tom Sullivan, assisted by his deputies.

WELCOMING REMARKS

President Lynn Jones opened with the following quotes,

"When you come to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on." —Franklin Roosevelt "A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it isn't open." — Frank Zappa

He then commented on what a wonderful year the Association has had since the last convention.

ROLL CALL

Holli Vining, Secretary, then conducted a roll call of the Parishes and the following Clerks were present: Hart Bourque, Connie Couvillon, Brian Lestage, Cynthia Johnston, Eugene Dunn, Lynn Jones, Carl Broussard, Pat Gladney, Jeremy Evans, Doug Welborn, David Dart, Randy Deshotel, Ann Johnson, ElRay Lemoine, Michael Thibodeaux, Ann Walsworth, Rick Arceneaux, Louis Perret, Vernon Rodrigue, Steve Andrews, Linda Cook, Tom Sullivan, Louie Bernard, Arthur Morrell, Louise Bond, Dot Lundin, Lanell Landry, Robin Hooter, Stacie Williamson, Tammy Foster, Lance Marino, Mildred Cyprian, Becky Patin, Julian Dufreche, Theresa Robichaux, Dodi Eubanks, Diane Meaux Broussard, Johnny Crain Jr., Holli Vining, Mark Graffeo, Robyn Creech, and Felicia Ann Hendl. Also present: Debbie Hudnall, Executive Director.

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INTRODUCTION OF PAST PRESIDENTS

Diane Meaux Broussard, 2nd Vice President, recognized the following past presidents who were present: Mark Graffeo, Louie Bernard -2 terms, Charlie Jagneaux, ElRay Lemoine, Doug Welborn, Bud Bergeron, Ann Walsworth, Bill Hodge, Eugene Dunn, Debbie Hudnall and Hart Bourque.

RECOGNITION OF DECEASED CLERKS

President Lynn Jones then asked the assembly for a moment of silence for the deceased Clerks and for the victims of the Boston Marathon bombing.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRED CLERKS

Carl Broussard, 3rd Vice President, recognized the following retired Clerks who were in attendance: Bud Bergeron, Bill Hodge, Bobby Boudreaux, Johnny Crain, Pete Fitzgerald, Debbie Hudnall, Charlie Oubre, and Lena Torres.

REPORT OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Rick Arceneaux, Parliamentarian, reported that the By-Laws Committee recommended that the following amendments be made to the By-Laws:

- 1. Article VI, Section 1. (f)
- (f) Appoint and meet with the Convention Annual Conference Committee in setting up the program for the annual conference.
 - 2. Article X, Section 1, (a) and (b), Section 2(a) and (b)
- (a) The annual conference shall be held annually at the place to be voted on by the entire membership two years in advance of the conference. Date and time is to be determined by the President and Convention Annual Conference Committee. The annual conference shall not be held during the regular legislative session. or Every reasonable effort shall be made so that the annual conference is not held during the regular legislative session.
- (b) The <u>Annual</u> Conference Chairman shall issue the call to conference to the membership at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual conference.

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- (a) A registration fee determined the Convention Annual Conference Committee and approved by the Board of Directors shall be paid by all members and non-members attending any part of the annual conference.
- (b) The <u>Annual</u> Conference Chairman shall present a proposed budget to the Board of Directors at least 90 days prior to the conference for approval.

3. Article XI, Section 2 (c) and (u)

- (c) Prepare, present and interpret detailed, monthly and annual financial reports of all monies received and expended and submit same to the Treasurer and Board of Directors at their meetings; further, prepare, present and interpret detailed annual financial reports of all monies received and expended to the General Membership at the Annual Convention Conference.
- (u) Be available at all Board Meetings and at the Annual Conference of the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association, unless an excuse is accepted by the president of the Association. The expenses of the Executive Director attending the annual Convention Conference shall be paid by the Association.

President Jones advised the body that in accordance with the By-Laws, these amendments would be voted on the last day of the Conference.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman, Tammy Foster, reported that the Nominating Committee met on April 16, 2013 and submitted for consideration of the general membership the following persons to serve on the respective boards for the year 2013-2014:

Association Board of Directors

President

Tammy Foster

1st Vice President

Diane Meaux Broussard

2nd Vice President

Carl Broussard

3rd Vice President

Holli Vining

Secretary

Dodi Eubanks

Treasurer

Mark Graffeo

Historian

Rick Arceneaux

Parliamentarian

Jeremy Evans

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2nd District Member

Dot Lundin

4th District Member

Cindy Johnston

6th District Member

Lanell Landry

8th District Member

David-Dart

Retirement and Relief Fund Board of Trustees

Retired Clerk Member

Bill Hodge

Insurance Board of Trustees

2nd District Member

Dot Lundin

4th District Member

Holli Vining

6th District Member

Lanell Landry

8th District Member

Cliff Dressel

Louie Bernard moved that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted and that those nominated be elected by acclamation. Motion was seconded by Darlene Landry. MOTION CARRIED.

The group was then entertained with a closing song by Pat and Christie Gladney.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no-further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Holli Vining, Secretary

Board of Directors

Lynn Jones Presiden

Board of Directors