

Texas Chefs Association

Chapter Meeting Minutes

Chefs of the Coastal Bend



Meeting Date: Feb 12, 2024
Meeting Time: 6:17pm – 7:26pm
Meeting Place: The Bar and Grill Corpus Christi, TX

Meeting Called to Order by: Michael Smith CEC Chapter Director
Recognize Host: Thank you to Robert Flores
Insure Roster/Quorum: Quorum obtained with 4 board members
Introduce Guest:

Recognize the Excused:

Call for the Past Meeting Minutes to be Accepted

Motion from the floor made by: C John Prado CEC
Motion seconded by: Dean Sprague CEC

Discussion by Assembly

Amendments

No amendments needed

Call for a vote on the Minutes of the Past Meeting to be Accepted:

Motion of Past Meeting Minutes Was: **Carried** / Lost

Treasurer's Report: Matt Axtell CEC

\$2.00 Bank Fee

\$2500.00 for Membership Social

Strong numbers coming in so far

Director's Report: Michael Smith CEC

- *Working to establish a tithe to the TCA at the convention*
- *Need to start thinking about nominations for Chapter awards*
- *Chef Dean to discuss winter board info at the end of meeting*
- *2025 Convention to come back to Corpus Christi*
- *Would like to set up meeting with TRA board to build and strengthen relationship*

Committee Reports:

Certification: Dean Sprague CEC

- Working with Del Mar to be able to host certifications at their location
- We are the most certified chapter in the state
- 3 members currently looking at obtaining certifications

Education: Robert Chan Private Chef

- **Presentation** on the processes of fermentation.
- **Presentaion** by Republic Beverage Company of special rums as well as Real Fruit Purees

Membership: Chef Michael Smith CEC

- Gained members from recent social
- Get more involved with other organizations in the area

Social Outreach: Vacant

Director Michael Smith to assist until position filled

Fund Raising: Dean Sprague CEC

- Lazy Beach beer pairing this Sunday
- Plans to work with the Omni again in October for major event
- Farm to Table dinner on March 28th

Public Relations & Social Media : Vacant

Kelly Brownlow nominated and accepted position.

Culinary Arts & Competition:

- Current competitions have ended. A big thank you to members of the Chefs of the Coastal bend for assisting with judging.

Chapter Social

Successful

Old Business:

- A. Chair and Board positions
- B. Membership Drives
- C. Topics for meeting agendas

New Business

- A. Need to submit ideas for chapter logo as well as 2025 convention logo
- B. **Looking for a push in member activity**

C. Approved to purchase laptop for Zoom meeting and record keeping

D. Need to replace signage

Round Table:

- Discussion to assist with KEDTV Food and Wine Classic
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Adjournment

Motion from the floor made by: *Chris Prado CEC*

Motion seconded by: *Richie Jones*

Discussion by Assembly

Call for a vote on Adjourning the Meeting:

Motion to Adjourn Meeting Was: **Carried / Lost**

VERY IMPORTANT!!! List the date, place, address and time for the next meeting in full.

Next meeting to be April 10th 6pm at the Executive Surf Club

