

Member in attendance: Dean Sprague, Michael Smith, Tony Nichols, Paula Szczepanek, Richie Jones, Danny Rosa, Matt Axtell, Margie Pettigrove

Hosted by Chef Tony at The Exchange

Call to order by Chef Dean @6:01pm

Chef Dean:

- Recent 2 events added almost \$5,000 to our bank account
- Nueces Oktoberfeast \$3700
- Grow Local \$1000
- Both very successful events with great feedback
- Check presentation from Grow Local to be held at the Farmers Market at a future date to be determined
- No planned events for the remainder of the year

Chair positions and nominations:

- Chef George Elizando has resigned from secretary duties due to other obligations that keep him from being able to fulfill the duties
- Chef Tony Nichols nominated Chef Richie Jones to be the chapter secretary
- 2nd by Chef Dean with unanimous approval
- Chef Dean nominated Chef Matt Axtell for new Education Chair
- 2nd by Chef Paula with unanimous approval
- Chef Margie Pettigrove nominated for new Membership Chair
- 2nd by Chef Dean with unanimous approval

Will be setting up a time to get signatures updated for Chef Paula in the chapter Treasurer position

Certification Update Chef Michael Smith

- Practice in Houston upcoming for Chef Michael's CEPC
- Chef Matt to take written exam for CEC
- Chef Dean to have last evaluation to become a proctor with Chef Michael to go at a later month
- This would give us two proctors in the South Texas area

Other Business

- Chapter voted to dissolve the original structure of the Mike Stephans fund
- Agreed to tithe 10% of earning to still be allocated to the fund
- Monies disbursed from the fund will be awarded to Pro Chef members for certifications, memberships, and continuing education expenses
- We will develop sign in sheets for all meetings and events to track participation
- To apply for funds, members must be in active status with 80% participation in yearly events and meetings
- We have money to spend so let's use it to strengthen our members

New business

- Chef Richie read newly created chair responsibilities for chapter approval
- The chair descriptions and responsibilities have been attached for all members to view

Meeting adjourned @ 7:00pm