

# Texas Chefs Association

## Chapter Meeting Minutes: *Dallas Chapter*



American Culinary Federation  
Texas Chefs Association

**IMPORTANT: Dallas TCA Chapter meetings "Best Day & Time" survey.**

**"Professional" status members, if you have not voted, please vote to make your voice heard. Use the link below.**

[Dallas TCA Chapter "Best Meeting Date & Time" Link](#)

**Minutes Prepared by:** Secretary, Ron Reczek

**Meeting Date:** 5 Sept 2023

**Meeting Time:** 3:00pm to 4:30pm

**Meeting Place:** Middleby Innovation Kitchen, 2701 E. State Hwy 121, Business Suite 600, Lewisville, TX 75056

**Meeting Called to Order by:** Cassandra Armstrong at 3:14pm

**Sergeant at Arms:** Patrick Mitchell- Quorum: Yes

**Associate EUTH Attendees:**

**Student Attendees:** Daniela Robles-Prado (Collin College)

**Guests:**

**Motion for the Past Meeting Minutes to be Accepted:** July minutes approvals, 1<sup>st</sup> Cassandra Armstrong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Herman Hiemeyer, motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Month Ending-July, Treasurer's report approvals, 1<sup>st</sup> Allison Hodges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gus Katsigris, motion passed.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Membership Committee:**

- A. Update on the location & time for chapter meetings survey. The chapter has had 11 responses to "best day/time survey", the survey will be re-sent to chapter members for a better response rate. With 105 voting Chef members, at least 52 responses are the goal.

#### **Events Committee:**

- A. **Katrina Warner** restated that the TCA Bylaws require at least two fundraising events per year. December will have a "Dallas Chapter & Friends" holiday event to celebrate the year and fund raise. Details coming for October chapter meeting.

#### **Chapter Monthly Meeting Location Committee:**

- A. **Oct:** TBD
- B. **Nov:** Sazon in Garland, 3035 S Shiloh Rd, SUITE 200, Garland, TX 75041  
<https://www.ordersazoncateringandrestaurant.com/>
- C. **Dec:** TBD

### **New Business:**

- B. Chef Cassondra gave a power point presentation recapping the last two years of the Dallas Chapter. Highlights were, 1) Coming Out of Covid-19 with the Spring Fling Event, 2) Soire in the Skye Event, 3) Tina Turner Tribute Event. She introduced the **New Board Members for 2023-2025** and handed the chapter off to Chef Katrina Warner, CEC, WMCS, MS.
- Chapter Director: **Katrina Warner**
  - Chapter Assistant Director: **Michael Lamping**
  - Treasurer: **Jennifer Adams**
  - Secretary: **Ron Reczek**
  - Chapter Assistant Director: **Michael Lamping**
  - Membership Committee Chair: **Mike Mrugala**
  - Fundraising Chair: **Herman Hiemeyer**
  - Meeting Location Chair(s): **Bill Bush, Alexandra Eaton**
- C. **Katrina Warner** recognized Phil Vernon of Pirl Bakery for his chapter Vendor of the Year award, and Dieter Paul for his State “Hall of Fame” induction during the State Convention in August 2023.
- D. **Katrina Warner** started the discussion for a tithe to the state to cover the last two years. Motion passed with Patrick Mitchell 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Jennifer Adams 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, motion passed. Membership will finalize the decision of amount in October 2023 meeting.
- E. **Katrina Warner** briefed the membership on her “Chapter Survey” for membership’s input into content and rewards of membership. Educational component will be a main focus, with some meetings consisting of “bare bones” administrative portion and 60-90 minutes of educational component.
- F. **Chapter Certification Teams** forming for September 2024. Contact Ron Reczek at [rreczek@collin.edu](mailto:rreczek@collin.edu) if interested...
- G. **Pirl Bakery and Profound Farms** are offering Home Delivery as a co-branded venture. See link below.  
[Pirl Bakery & Profound Farms Home Delivery](#)
- H. **January 2024 meeting will be on 9 January** to avoid conflict with New Years aftermath.
- I. **Roundtable:** All attendees introduced

**Meeting Adjourn @ 4:45pm,** 1<sup>st</sup> motion Gus Katsigris, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion Mike Mrugala, motion passed.