minutes

# December NTxAC Business Meeting

The Vineyard Campground, Grapevine, TX

December 2, 2021

9:00 AM

Conducted by David Brandon

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| **9:00** | Welcome and Introductions: David Brandon opened the meeting. Introductions were done at dinner the evening before so these were skipped. |
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| **12:15** | Business |
|  | 1. November minutes were approved with one minor revision; Gary Copeland moved to accept the minutes and Doug Robbins seconded.
2. Treasurer’s Report: No formal report was made but our current bank balance remains unchanged from the November meeting ($5,584.05).
3. ACI has approved our new logo so we can move forward on ordering personalized items. Dan Dice has sent the logo off for facsimiles and displayed sample stickers. Input was requested for T-shirt preferences—one consistent comment was the request that they not be white. Jennifer Dice proposed thinking about other inexpensive items, such as koozies, patches, etc. Steve Woodward proposed ballcaps, and several concurred this would be a desirable item. Kathi Mitchell reminded officers of A & W Embroidery in Tennessee, a company that retains logos from clubs so that individuals can order whatever they want (T-shirts, sweatshirts, caps, button down shirts, etc) with their club logo embroidered wherever they wish. Jennifer Dice asks that anyone with additional ideas email her and Dan at dan.dice@gmail.com. David Brandon proposed that new members be provided a welcome packet that includes one or more swag items. Dan proposed that we set a price threshold that would allow us to identify what would be affordable. Matter was tabled for the January meeting pending Dan and others to get price quotes on the items.
4. Membership Chair Report: Tom Jensen reports that we have ten new members are up to 149 rigs now (not including our affiliate members).
5. Future meetings: Attendees were reminded by David Brandon of the January joint rally with HOTC at NTAC, “Reason for Freezin’”. Anna Brandon provided details about an exciting new national rally prototype to be held in February as part of the “Mardi Gras Galveston!” annual celebration. Space will only accommodate 47 rigs for this first event; based upon feedback and success this is proposed to become an annual national Texas rally. Members of Texas clubs will be able to register for this event in advance on December 12th; if all sites are not filled it will be open to clubs in other states on December 15th. Until the need is filled, volunteers (4-5 hours over the course of the rally) can register now by contacting Philip Vasquez, one of the rally leaders, at pdvasquez@outlook.com. For information on the event itself, check the website <https://www.mardigrasgalveston.com/> . Registration for the event will also be on a website subpage <https://www.mardigrasgalveston.com/airstream-rally-2/> .
6. Road Trip to Maine: Anna Brandon also described a group who are traveling to the rally in Maine together, including a trip to Niagara Falls. Anyone interested in being part of the group should email her and David at dbtextilesoffice@icloud.com.
7. Newsletter Editor: Allana Patterson asked for new members to send in information about themselves to be included in upcoming newsletters. She also requested pictures from the rally so those could be included also.
8. Steve Woodward reminded the new members present at their first rally of the club’s mentoring program, Allana Patterson detailed the benefits of the program, and two members, Sue McLaughlin and Amy Terkel volunteered to be mentors. Amy reported that her expertise is in making the most out of the space in our trailers (she is an Airstream Addict specialist on this).
9. David Brandon mentioned that we have several rallies over the next year that need co-hosts. If this is the first time you host, one of the experienced members will co-host with you. He also offered that our future rallies need not be as elaborate as this Holiday Rally in Grapevine—because our group has not held many rallies since the initiation of COVID, there were funds available to make this one special (food provided). Future rallies will usually be pot-lucks.

**9:37 Meeting was adjourned:** Arnold Terkel, second vice-president, moved to adjourn and Kathi Mitchell seconded. |
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