

Arizona Historical Society
Report of the Annual Plenary Membership Meeting
Saturday, November 17, 201
Tempe History Museum, Tempe, Arizona

Call to Order

The meeting commenced at 2:31 p.m., with President Voie Coy's welcome to the members of the AHS Annual Meeting. Coy made a few opening comments, thanked the AHS membership for the opportunity to serve as its president for the past year, and commended the Board for its excellent, hard work for the betterment of the Society.

Coy then explained the process for appointing Board members now that AHS has a Governor-appointed Board. He also explained the role of the AHS chapter boards.

Coy then introduced James Burns, Executive Director of AHS.

Report of the Nominating Committee and Presentation of the AHS Board of Directors Slate of Officers

Nominating Committee Chair, Jim Snitzer, detailed the process of officer elections pursuant to AHS By-Laws. The slate of nominations, with the officer nominees' biographies was placed on each chair in the meeting room. Snitzer made a call for nominations from the floor. There were none.

Abodeely moved that discussion be closed, seconded by Lacy, and called for a vote on the slate of nominations for Board Officers as presented:

Voie Coy, President
Kelly Corsette, Vice President
Bruce Gwynn, Secretary
Meredith Peabody, Treasurer

The motion passed unanimously.

James Burns introduced Phil Hanson, the AHS representative to the State Board on Geographic and Historic Names. Colonel Hanson gave a brief report about the activities of that group over the past year.

Dr. Coy explained that the AHS State Board of Directors had voted to approve moving the Society's annual membership meeting to April to more closely align with the Gubernatorial appointment of new board members. The 2019 annual membership meeting will be held in Prescott in conjunction with the Arizona History Convention sometime between April 11 and 13th 2019.

Keynote Speaker

James Burns, Executive Director of the Arizona Historical Society, was the keynote speaker. Dr. Burns delivered a presentation titled *Resilience*, relating that topic to the past, present, and future of AHS.

Dr. Burns was available to members following the meeting to provide a tour of the Tempe History Museum permanent exhibition gallery, a project he worked on years ago when he served as City Historian for the City of Tempe.

Adjourn

The program adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Signed: _____ *W. James Burns* _____

Date: _____ 11/20/18 _____

W. James Burns, Executive Director