

Meeting Minutes

Arkansas Wine Producers Council

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 10:00 am

Zoom

Appointed Members

Mr. Dennis Wiederkehr, Chair

Mr. Michael Post, Treasurer

Dr. Renee Threlfall, Vice Chair

Mr. Daniel O'Shea, Secretary

Mr. Andrew Post

Ms. Dalaney Thomas

Ex Officio Members

Arkansas Grape Growers Association President

- A. Call to Order 10:05 am

- B. Welcome Council Member Roll Call: Present – Dr. Renee Threlfall, Dennis Wiederkehr, Michael Post, Andrew Post, Dan O'Shea and Dalaney Thomas, and guest Suzanne Grobmyer, Chief of Staff for the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism.

- C. Consideration to Approve the October 2025 quarterly minutes: Renee made a motion to accept the minutes, Michael seconded it. Motions carried.

- D. Treasurer Report: Micael reported that the balance in the bank account was \$3,752.97 and the CD value was \$37,000.

- E. Committee Reports
 - a. Council Bylaws – Nothing to report.

 - b. Arkansas Wine Agri Marketing Grant FY2021 (19-6-839) – The 2026 Approval process is coming up. The same committee from last year, Andrew, Michael, and Renee, will perform it again in 2026. A special meeting of the entire council will be held in May or June to review and approve the committee's recommendations.

 - c. Website- Nothing to Report

 - d. Tourism Facility: Tourism Development Trust Fund (3-5-1802) – Dalany determined that the current balance in this fund is \$4,204,042.

- e. Tourism Signage- Dan reported that the Movie House Winery signs are still up at Exit 108 on I 40 even though the winery is closed. A complete audit of all other signs currently in place along with current unmet signage needs is required. All agreed that this should be done. Dennis will take the lead on this.
- F. Unfinished Business – Officer and Governor Appointments- Officer Elections. The current officers will remain in place for 2026.
- G. Comments- The next quarterly Council meeting date will be Tuesday July 21, 2026.
- H. Adjournment- Andrew made a motion to adjourn and Michael seconded it. Meeting ended at 10:40 am.

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