Meeting Minutes

Arkansas Wine Producers Council

Tuesday, July 21, 2026, 10:00 am

Zoom

Appointed Members

Mr. Dennis Wiederkehr, Chair	Mr. Daniel O'Shea, Secretary
Mr. Michael Post, Treasurer	Mr. Andrew Post
Dr. Renee Threlfall, Vice Chair	Ms. Dalaney Thomas

Ex Officio Members

Arkansas Grape Growers Association President

A. Call to Order 10:01 am

B. Welcome Council Member Roll Call: Present – Dr. Renee Threlfall, Dennis Wiederkehr, Michael Post, Andrew Post, and Dan O'Shea.

C. Consideration to Approve the April 2026 and June 2026 meeting minutes: Michael made a motion to accept the minutes, Andrew seconded it. Motions carried.

D. Treasurer Report: Micael reported that the balance in the bank account was $3,754.47.

E. Committee Reports

   a. Council Bylaws – Nothing to report.

   b. Arkansas Wine Agri Marketing Grant FY2021 (19-6-839) –It was agreed among the council members that we need to take a "deep dive" into the approval process to ensure that due diligence is done. Either Dennis will call a special meeting to do this or we will do it at our next quarterly meeting. Andrew will contact DF&A to see if they can provide us with some information on the wineries.
   c. AQW- Amanda sent out an email to get an idea of how many wines will be entered by the wineries in the competition. Per Renee if it's 20 or less they probably will not do the competition.
   d. Website- Nothing to Report

   e. Tourism Facility: Tourism Development Trust Fund (3-5-1802) – Nothing new to report.

f. Tourism Signage- There are two signs that need to be removed, one for Movie House and the other for Cowie. Dennis will contact the highway department to get this taken care of.

F. Unfinished Business – NGRA membership. Andrew made a motion to continue our membership in this organization and pay the annual dues of $1000. Dan seconded, the motion carried.

G. Comments- The next quarterly Council meeting date will be October 20, 2026.

H. Adjournment- Andrew made a motion to adjourn and Dan seconded it. Meeting ended at 10:10 am.