

Minutes Approved 7.8.18

1nd meeting of CHAYAH May 16, 2018, 5:30 p.m. Telephone Conference Call

First monthly meeting of CHAYAH ... held via telephone conference call May 16, 2018, 5:30 p.m. ... Melissa Rawlins presiding Meeting called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Members present:

- 1. Carrie Windham, 4093 PR 1195, Baird, TX 79504 * police officer experienced with both sides, offenders as well as victims... currently studying for her masters in ????
- 2. Cloud Criswell, 398 S Texas St., #22, Emory, TX 75440 * Unemployed construction contractor / subdivision developer who has devoted his life to loving others since 1974
- 3. James Bell, 613 Ferris Ave, Waxahachie, TX 75165 * Insurance Agent and head of Kairos ministry in Sanders-Estes Unit
- 4. Melissa Rawlins, 963 El Camino Rd., Waxahachie, TX 75167 * Journalist and founder of CHAYAH, which has operated unofficially since 2014 as a ministry for revival

Every member prayed blessings on Yah and from Yah on CHAYAH

Melissa reminded members that articles of association say we'll nominate for offices of president, secretary and treasurer at the summer meeting. Melissa encouraged members to determine whether each would like to be nominated for any of those offices, and to encourage any of our associates to join CHAYAH if they would like to be nominated for any of those offices. In the interim, Melissa suggested, the member of the association should consider authorizing her to act as president and to perform duties of president, secretary and treasurer per the articles of association. James Bell made the motion that Melissa Rawlins be authorized to perform duties of president, secretary and treasurer per the articles of association. Cloud Criswell seconded the motion. Melissa explained that according to page two of the Secretary of State ruling titled "208_boc_Unincorporated Benevolent Association" there may be a desire to appoint a person to receive service of process on CHAYAH's behalf and that said person should be designated as Agent of the Entity. Carrie Windham made the motion that Melissa Rawlins be designated as Agent of the Entity on behalf of CHAYAH. James Bell seconded the motion. James Bell said he would meet with Melissa Rawlins on Monday, May 21, to sign both forms with her.

Melissa recommended applying on behalf of CHAYAH for the Federal Employer Identification Number necessary for all tax exemptions. James Bell made the motion that once Melissa becomes the Agent of the Entity, she then file the EIN paperwork with the IRS. Cloud Criswell seconded the motion.

Melissa opened the floor for discussion of the association being adopted as a subordinate under the group exemption granted by the IRS to Elim International, a registered 501-c-3. Carrie asked whether CHAYAH would have to submit to the control of ELIM. Melissa answered: After I get CHAYAH's Employer Identification Number from the IRS, I'll prepare and mail to ELIM International at their Pennsylvania P.O. Box a letter on the CHAYAH letterhead stating "CHAYAH is Affiliated with ELIM International, the central organization; CHAYAH is Subject to the central organization's general supervision or control; CHAYAH is Exempt under the same paragraph of IRC 501(c); CHAYAH has an Employer Identification Number which is _______." James asked Melissa to explain the benefit to CHAYAH of being adopted by ELIM. Melissa explained: it will save CHAYAH the \$400 filing fee and the waiting time of 6-9 months while CHAYAH's Form 1023 is being considered by the IRS... thereby opening up opportunities for donors to begin funding CHAYAH projects. All members said they were in favor of being adopted by ELIM International. James Bell made the motion that Melissa move forward with the strategy of operating under the ELIM International umbrella until a point when we can become our own individual 501-c-3 according to Chapter 252 of the rules on Unincorporated NonProfit Associations. Carrie Windham seconded the motion.

Melissa asked whether any members had other business or questions? Cloud asked when we could meet face to face. Melissa suggested making the summer meeting, where nominations are accepted for officers, a face to face meeting. It was decided to meet on Sunday, June 24, at lunchtime, in Thurber... James Bell accepted the job of securing the location for our meeting. James asked Melissa to send out the agenda well in advance. Members all agreed it would be great if Melissa would start an email chain early, so that each member could place items of business on the agenda in advance ... giving other members time to research and explore the topics. Melissa committed to doing that.

Meetings are tentatively scheduled for the first of every month on Yahweh's calendar... James Bell asked for meetings to take place on Sundays. Therefore, Melissa proposed the following dates that members can pencil in on their calendar: June 24; July 15; Aug 12; Sep 9; Oct 21; Nov 11; Dec 9.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.