

## ARKANSAS COUNTY TREASURERS' ASSOCIATION

Business Meeting 2/15/02

The meeting was called to order with the minutes of the November 9, 2001 being approved and the Treasurer's report indicating a balance of \$8,360.93 with 66 treasurers and 69 deputies as current members.

Dorothy Keathly addressed the National Forest Funds that affect around 30 treasurers and would like to have a possible speaker or separate session that affects the handling of these funds.

Eddie gave a report on AAC: The web page is being reworked and will be back on line soon. There are around 12 counties that have contracted for the collections of old fines with even more counties looking into it. The health insurance has been reviewed, reworked and hopefully by budget time there could be something from a company in Georgia to offer something better. One of the treasurers brought up the question of possibly looking into the counties getting on the state insurance plan. The retirement system was not affected by the Enron colapse.

The AAC Legislative Committee met in January to start preparing our package: the repeal of the Unclaimed Property Act (plans are to check with the two candidates for State Auditor on their positions); we take the initiative for the 2M for the Public Defender Law; 14-24-204 requesting from the attorney general our responsibilities and the county clerks regarding checks; collateralization as proposed by the Division of Legislative Audit; automation funds will need to be defended because some county judges don't like; anything else refer to Eddie or his committee.

It was brought up that regarding Amendment 79 the state is getting the interest and that it should follow the principal (last year 152M drew interest for them) the law will need to be more specific or pass a new law; and the Uniform Rate Tax delays the schools' monies.

Social Committee: Good Time Girls II appointed: Lonene Edwards, Linda Morgan, Barbara Hovarter, Risa Godwin and Jolenea Villines.

Travel award presented to Carolyn Morrisett. No other business.

Respectfully Submitted, Jo West Taylor Secretary/Treasurer