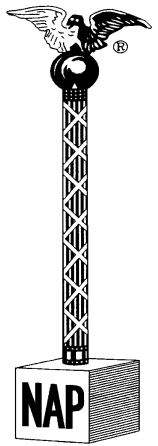


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## **CALL TO ANNUAL CONVENTION June 19, 2010— 8:30 AM (registration)**

The Object of OSAP shall be to promote and pursue the purposes and the educational programs of NAP; to study, teach, promote, and disseminate the fundamental principles and the philosophies of parliamentary law in the State of Oklahoma; and to bring into closer cooperation all parliamentarians in the State of Oklahoma.

**OSAP Board meeting June 18, 7:00 PM — Wyndham Garden Hotel**

***Theme for 2009-2010: "Connecting to the World: Effective Meetings for Oklahoma"***

**Visit the OSAP website at: [www.OKparliamentarians.org](http://www.OKparliamentarians.org)**

### **President's Message**

*Rod Davidson, PRP, OSAP President*

I have enjoyed being the OSAP President for the last two years and appreciate the outstanding support and enthusiasm from the other officers and Standing Committee chairmen.

I am looking forward to seeing each of you at the OSAP annual convention to be held on Saturday, June 19 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel on Meridian Avenue in Oklahoma City.

Steve Glanstein, PRP, OSAP Treasurer, is our national representative this year. Since Steve lives in Hawaii, the board decided to welcome him by adopting an Hawaiian theme for the educational workshop and convention. Feel free to wear your Hawaiian shirt if you have one!

Mr. Glanstein is an expert in the field of homeowner and community associations, so several sessions of the workshop and convention will be dedicated to that subject.

Mark your calendars for Friday, June 18 and Saturday, June 19 and put on your favorite Hawaiian shirt and join us for a fun and educational workshop and convention!

### **ATTENTION: Unit Presidents**

Thank you for your donations of **\$25 to help support the OSAP annual convention**. We hope each Unit will respond favorably again this year. You may send your checks made payable to "OSAP" to:

**Jim Lawson, OSAP Treasurer**  
**Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians**  
**P.O. Box 60039**  
**Oklahoma City, OK 73146-0039**

### **Report of the Nominating Committee**

*by Sandra Finney, Chairman*

The OSAP Nominating Committee presents the following list of nominees for 2010-2011.

**President** ..... Jason Fields, JD, Oil Capital Unit  
**Vice-President**.... George Counselman, Sooner Unit  
**Secretary** ..... Gloria Counselman, Sooner Unit  
**Treasurer** ..... Cheryle Sherman, Great Plains Unit

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at State Convention, June 19, 2010.

### **HELP PROMOTE THE 2010 OSAP CONVENTION & WORKSHOP**

Be sure to make copies of the workshop flyer and distribute in your community to those who may be interested. We need you to help OSAP make this year's workshop and convention a success. Your local library is a good place to ask permission to post a workshop flyer. Make a copy for your neighborhood association. If you belong to a club, board, or professional association, please make a copy of the flyer and send it to your members. You can go to the OSAP website and download a PDF copy to attach to an e-mail and send to the members of your group. Also, make sure each of the Provisional Members of your Unit receives a copy of this newsletter and the Convention Registration Form as well as a workshop flyer. Have your Unit consider offering incentives to attend.

Members of the Convention Committee will be printing the materials for the convention notebooks. Please e-mail the report of your Unit activities to [mdavidsonrp@msn.com](mailto:mdavidsonrp@msn.com) no later than **June 10, 2010**.

**Chisholm Trail Unit**

The Chisholm Trail Unit meets on the third Monday of the month, September through May at 7:00 p.m. at the Mabel C. Fry Library, 1200 Lakeshore Dr, Yukon. (405) 324-5481

**Great Plains Unit**

The Great Plains Unit meets the fourth Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Southwest Oklahoma Blood Institute 211 S.W. A Ave, Lawton. (580) 353-6451

**Green Country Unit**

The Green Country Unit meets on the first Monday of the month from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Hardesty Library, 8316 E 93rd St, Tulsa. (918) 492-3424

**Oil Capital Unit**

The Oil Capital Unit meets on the third Friday of the month, January through May and September through November from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S Peoria Ave, Tulsa. (918) 746-5125

**Oklahoma City Unit**

The Oklahoma City Unit meets on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the University of Central Oklahoma, Liberal Arts Building, Edmond. (405) 384-1322

**Sooner Unit**

The Sooner Unit meets on the third Thursday of the month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Belle Isle Library (downstairs meeting room), NW Expressway & Villa, Oklahoma City. The November/December, January, and April meetings are held at a local restaurant. (405) 524-8953

**Will Rogers Unit**

The Will Rogers Unit meets on the fourth Monday of the month, November through May, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Meeting location in Oklahoma City varies. Call for time and place. (405) 524-1261

**Save Shipping Costs on Educational Materials!**

The **OSAP Education Committee** will have materials from NAP for sale at the workshop on June 18 and at the annual convention on June 19.

Virginia McComas  
Education Committee Chairman

**2009 — 2010 OSAP Officers and Committees**

Rod G. Davidson, PRP	President
Jason Fields, JD	Vice-President
Gloria Counselman	Secretary
Jim Lawson	Treasurer
Joan Blankenship, ret PRP	Parliamentarian
Virginia McComas	Past President
Barbara Benton	Audit
W. Craig Henry, PRP	Bylaws
Mary Davidson, RP	Communications
George Counselman	State Convention
Virginia McComas	Education
Jason Fields, JD	Membership
Sandra Finney	Nominating
Jacquelyn Achong	Yearbook
Linda Lawson	Youth



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**Report of the Bylaws Committee  
W. Craig Henry, PRP, Chairman**

After consideration of recommendations from the Board of Directors, Officers and members, the Bylaws Committee proposes the following Bylaw amendments:

**ARTICLE XI – DELEGATES TO NAP CONVENTION  
SECTION 1 – NAP DELEGATES:**

**Amend by striking out the entire section and inserting a new section:** “The number of delegates to the NAP Convention shall be as prescribed by the NAP Bylaws”

Current Wording	Proposed Wording	Wording, if adopted
<p><b>SECTION 1 – NAP DELEGATES:</b> Delegate representation is based on the primary membership of the association as of March 1 of the convention year as follows:</p> <p>A. six delegates, and,</p> <p>B. one additional delegate for up to the first five primary members-at-large for the association and one additional delegate for each additional five primary members-at-large or major fraction thereof for the association.</p>	<p><del>SECTION 1 – NAP DELEGATES: Delegate representation is based on the primary membership of the association as of March 1 of the convention year as follows:</del></p> <p><del>A. six delegates, and,</del></p> <p><del>B. one additional delegate for up to the first five primary members-at-large for the association and one additional delegate for each additional five primary members-at-large or major fraction thereof for the association.</del></p> <p><b>SECTION 1 – NUMBER OF DELEGATES: The number of delegates to the NAP Convention shall be as prescribed by the NAP Bylaws.</b></p>	<p><b>SECTION 1 – NUMBER OF DELEGATES:</b> The number of delegates to the NAP Convention shall be as prescribed by the NAP Bylaws.</p>

**ARTICLE XI – DELEGATES TO NAP CONVENTION  
SECTION 3 – ELECTIONS:**

**Amend by striking out the word “may” and inserting the word “shall”**

Current Wording	Proposed Wording	Wording, if adopted
<p><b>SECTION 3 – ELECTIONS:</b> Vacancies in delegate positions may be filled by the President.</p>	<p><b>SECTION 3 – ELECTIONS:</b> Vacancies in delegate positions <del>may</del> <b>shall</b> be filled by the President.</p>	<p><b>SECTION 3 – VACANCIES:</b> <i>(ed.)</i> Vacancies in delegate positions shall be filled by the President.</p>

**ARTICLE XII – STANDING COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 2 – DUTIES:**

**Subsection C. Communication Committee**

**Amend by adding a new item 6 which reads:** “Upon receipt of amended bylaws from the Bylaws Committee Chairman, make changes to the bylaws on the OSAP website and publish in the Oklahoma Parliamentarian that the revised Bylaws are available online and will be mailed to members only upon request.”

<b>Current Wording</b>	<b>Proposed Wording</b>	<b>Wording, if adopted</b>
<i>[None]</i>	<b>6. Upon receipt of amended bylaws from the Bylaws Committee Chairman, make changes to the bylaws on the OSAP website and publish in the Oklahoma Parliamentarian that the revised Bylaws are available online and will be mailed to members only upon request.</b>	6. Upon receipt of amended bylaws from the Bylaws Committee Chairman, make changes to the bylaws on the OSAP website and publish in the Oklahoma Parliamentarian that the revised Bylaws are available online and will be mailed to members only upon request.

**ARTICLE XII – STANDING COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 2 – DUTIES:**

**Subsection E. Education Committee**

**Amend item 2 by striking out the words** “Quick Study Course” **and inserting the words** “Educational Workshop”

<b>Current Wording</b>	<b>Proposed Wording</b>	<b>Wording, if adopted</b>
2. Be responsible for the Quick Study Course in conjunction with the OSAP annual convention; and	2. Be responsible for the <del>Quick Study Course</del> <b>Educational Workshop</b> in conjunction with the OSAP annual convention; and	2. Be responsible for the Educational Workshop in conjunction with the OSAP annual convention; and

**ARTICLE XII – STANDING COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 2 – DUTIES:**

**Subsection H. Yearbook Committee**

**Amend by striking out item 4 in its entirety.**

<b>Current Wording</b>	<b>Proposed Wording</b>	<b>Wording, if adopted</b>
4. Distribute updated bylaws pages to members annually.	<del>4. Distribute updated bylaws pages to members annually.</del>	<i>[None, item removed]</i>

**W. Craig Henry, PRP**  
**Chairman Bylaws Committee**

## BIOGRAPHIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF NOMINEES FOR OFFICE

### NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT

Jason Fields, JD, joined the National Association of Parliamentarians in 1994 while a member of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). During his senior year of high school, he served as President of the local FBLA unit, as Oklahoma FBLA State Parliamentarian, and as FBLA Mountain Plains Regional Parliamentarian. He joined the Oil Capital Unit of NAP while in college and has held the offices of Vice-President and President. In the past, he has served the Oklahoma State Association as Vice-President, Year Book Committee Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and is currently completing two terms as Vice-President.

Jason attended The University of Tulsa where he earned his Bachelor of Science in 1999 and Juris Doctor in 2003. He was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Oklahoma in September 2003. He is also licensed to practice law before both the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Supreme Court and the Cherokee Nation Supreme Court. Jason is employed as an attorney with the law firm of Riseling & Rhodes, PC in Tulsa, Oklahoma. His law practice focuses primarily on estate planning, estate taxes, probate, and guardianship issues.

He is a member of the Tulsa Title and Probate Lawyers Association and currently serves as the association's Vice-President. In 2008 he served as the association's secretary. Jason is a member of the Tulsa County Bar Association's Estate Planning, Probate, and Elder Law Section and serves on the Board of Directors of a local not-for-profit organization, Health Outreach Prevention Education (HOPE), where he previously served as secretary of the Board of Directors for two years.

### NOMINEE FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

George Counselman is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and has served the Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians as Convention Committee Chairman for the last two years. As a member of the Sooner Unit, he is serving as Treasurer and is the unit's immediate past President.

George graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a degree in Business Administration, majoring in Accounting with a minor in Finance. During his 40 year career with large and small companies, his positions have included Controller, Financial Systems Manager, and Treasurer.

He has been active in homeowner associations and software advisory groups, serving as a Board Member, Treasurer, Vice-President, and President.

### NOMINEE FOR SECRETARY

Gloria Counselman is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and has served the Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians as Education Committee Chairman and is currently serving as Secretary. She is a member of the Sooner Unit and has served as Treasurer and as Secretary of the Sooner Unit.

She graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a major in Spanish and French education. Her recent training has included interpretation and Translation of the Spanish language. Gloria has worked 20+ years in the insurance, banking and tax preparation industries, at various times being licensed in property, casualty, surety, health, life insurance; and she has had a Series 63 Securities license.

She has been active in homeowner associations for over 30 years, serving as secretary for 5+ years. Additionally, she is a frequent judge at FCCLA parliamentary law contests and serves as a frequent presenter at workshops on parliamentary procedure.

### NOMINEE FOR TREASURER

Cheryle Sherman is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians. She has served the Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians as Bylaws Committee Chairman, Nominating Committee Chairman, and Audit Committee Chairman. She is a charter member of the Great Plains Unit and is the immediate past President. She has also served the unit as Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian.

Cheryle graduated from Cameron University with a degree in Business Administration. She has been employed 24 years with the federal government as a Military Pay Technician in the Defense, Finance, and Accounting Services Department.

She is active in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and currently serves as Vice-President. She also belongs to Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, Incorporated, a national sorority, and she is active in the Lawton League of Women voters.

## CONGRATULATIONS NAP FOR 80 YEARS OF PROGRESS!

Organized in 1930

## CONGRATULATIONS OSAP FOR 25 YEARS OF PROGRESS!

Chartered in 1985

### TENTATIVE CONVENTION AGENDA FOR JUNE 19, 2010

1. Registration: 8:30 - 8:55 a.m.
2. Call to Order 9:00 a.m.
3. Opening Ceremonies
4. Introductions
5. Recognition of OSAP Leadership
6. Reports of Convention Committees
7. Minutes of 2009 OSAP Convention
8. Reports of Elected Officers and Standing Committee Chairmen
9. NAP Report
10. District Six Report
11. Nominations and Elections
12. Election of 2011 Nominating Committee
13. Reports of Unit Presidents
14. New Business
15. Installation of Officers
16. Awards and Announcements
  
17. Lunch: 12:00 — 1:00 p.m.  
Luncheon Speaker — To be announced
  
18. Registration for afternoon workshops open to public: 12:45 — 1:00 p.m.
19. Educational Workshops (beginning at 1:00 PM)
  - A. "Parliamentary Law versus Civil Law for Community Associations" — Attorney Matthew L. Winton
  - B. "Homeowner and Community Associations" — Steve Glanstein, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, NAP Treasurer
  - C. "Parliamentary Hostage Taking" — Steve Glanstein, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, NAP Treasurer
20. Adjourn: 4:00 p.m.

A regular post-convention Executive Committee meeting of the newly elected officers will be held immediately following the convention for the purpose of acting on appointments by the President, approving the annual budget, and transacting any other business to come before the meeting.

**Registration Form for OSAP and Provisional Members**  
**OKLAHOMA STATE ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**June 18-19, 2010**

Wyndham Garden Hotel, 2101 S. Meridian Ave, Oklahoma City, OK  
**HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Call (405) 685-4000 and ask for Group Rate (Block )**  
**Group Rate Hotel Accommodations — \$99 first-come first-served (call early) — includes 2 buffet breakfasts!**

————— *Casual Attire: Hawaiian Theme - wear your Hawaiian shirt if you have one!* —————

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List any special accommodations or dietary restrictions:

2010 OSAP FRIDAY WORKSHOP & SATURDAY CONVENTION	Registration Fee Per Person	Amount
Friday, June 18 — All Day Workshop ( 9:00 a.m.— 4:15 p.m. ) "WE'VE GOT TO STOP MEETING LIKE THIS...And Start Meeting Like This!" Includes Educational Materials, and Lunch (Registration 8:30—8:55 a.m.)	\$ 50.00	
Friday, June 18 — <u>Optional</u> NAP Membership Exam ( 4:15 p.m. ) Includes NAP Examination, 2010 Regular Membership dues in the National Association of Parliamentarians, and 2010 Oklahoma State Association dues.	\$ 85.00	
Friday, June 18 — NAP Membership Exam FULL-TIME STUDENT ( 4:15 p.m. ) Includes NAP Examination, 2010 Student Membership dues in the National Association of Parliamentarians, and 2010 Oklahoma State Association dues.	\$ 47.50	
Saturday, June 19 — OSAP 2010 Annual Convention ( 9:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. ) Includes Morning Business Meeting, Lunch, and Afternoon Workshops (Registration 8:30—8:55 a.m.)	\$ 50.00	
Saturday June 19 — Afternoon Workshops Only ( 1:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m. ) Does not include lunch. (Registration 12:45—1:00 p.m.)	\$ 30.00	

Registration Deadline: Postmarked by June 10, 2010.  
 After June 10, please call (405) 330-9273 for availability and to be included in head count for lunch.  
 Make check to: "Oklahoma State Association of Parliamentarians" **TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \$

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