

The American Association of Professional Landmen (AAPL) 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Board of Directors Meeting was held at the Thompson Savannah Hotel on December 10 & 11, 2022, in Savannah, Georgia. The Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen was represented therein by Wesley T. Day, director.

# **HIGHLIGHTS:**

# 1. AAPL Membership

Current AAPL membership is 10,861 members. Total membership is down -2.91% YTD, but has increased 8% since last quarter. The budget for this fiscal year was for 10,000 members.

### 2. Assets

As compared to September 30, 2021: AAPL, Inc., total assets have decreased 18.30% to \$36,555,870. The decrease is due to market activity related to the investment account and using cash from the money market and investment accounts for operating purposes. The AAPL Educational Foundation total assets have decreased 16.26% to \$4,686,391. The Landman Scholarship Trust total assets have decreased 18.00% to \$8,197,072. All numbers are current September 30, 2022. The AAPL executive committee is working diligently toward a balanced budget for the next fiscal year.

# 3. Renewable Energy Certificate

The AAPL Renewable Energy Certificate program has launched. Around 100 people have started the program, which required 14 hours of education. The cost is \$350 for members and \$500 for non-members.

## 4. Education

The new "Landman Learning" system is now live, which contains a new learning management system. Education offering are housed here, as well as a comprehensive education event calendar. An additional education offering is the quarterly live education webinar, which is complimentary and available live only.

## 5. Gulf Coast Land Institute

The AAPL sponsored Gulf Coast Land Institute will be held April 26-27, 2023, at the World War II Museum (f/k/a the D-Day Museum) in New Orleans. MAPL has historically been involved in this event and Jackson used to be in the rotation with New Orleans and Lafayette as a venue. I am working to re-establish Mississippi ties to this event and there will be a couple of TBD Mississippi speakers/topics covered. We will reserve a block of rooms at a hotel in close proximity to the WWII Museum. The event ends the day prior to the start of Jazz Fest, which could be an enjoyable tie-in for a long weekend. Please consider attending and encouraging other Mississippi landmen to do so. Also, remember that as a member of AAPL, you have access to \$300 a year in funds that can be applied for and used toward AAPL sponsored educational events.

### 6. Government Affairs

As of November 30, 2022, AAPL is tracking 427 bills in various states, as well as numerous Federal/State Regulations and Judicial Cases. 14 bills are currently being tracked in Mississippi.

### 7. NAPE

NAPE Summit is scheduled for February 1-3, 2023, at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas. Among several new aspects, NAPE Summit 2023 will feature a Blockchain/Bitcoin Pavilion. Please consider registering for NAPE and encouraging others to do so. It is beneficial for all who attend, and it is very important for the AAPL to have a successful NAPE. Attendance is currently forecast at 7,500, which is 20% ahead of last year.

# 8. Next AAPL Board of Directors Meeting

Scheduled for March 11 & 12, 2023, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Respectfully submitted,

Wesley T. Day