

1992

**ATHEISTS OF FLORIDA, INC.**  
**First Annual Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Miami, Florida**  
**August 9, 1992**

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The initial directors held the organization meeting of Atheists of Florida, Inc. in the conference room of the offices of Mark Trop on August 9, 1992, at 10:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by Christos Tzanetakos, acting president of the above corporation.

The names of the initial directors was called and the following directors were present:

Kyoko Brogdon	Christos Tzanetakos
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Charles Ross	Steve Miles
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Florence Morgenroth	John Diamond
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Albert Lyngzeidetsen	Ed Golly
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Louis Miller	Brent Yaciw
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Directors not present at the meeting were:

Celia Glantz	Daniel Streit
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Atheists of Florida member Mark Trop was also present.

The floor was then opened to accept nominations for officers of the corporation. The following persons were nominated and those nominations seconded for the respective positions:

Chairman: Albert Lyngzeidetsen and Brent Yaciw

President: Christos Tzanetakos

Secretary: Kyoko Brogdon and Florence Morgenroth

Treasurer: Charles A. Ross

The vote of those present at the meeting for the position of Chairman were distributed as follows:

A. Lyngzeidetsen: 6 votes

B. Yaciw: 4 votes

Albert Lyngzeidetsen was elected Chairman.

The vote of those present at the meeting for Christos Tzanetakos for the position of president was unanimous.

The vote of those present at the meeting for Ed Golly for the position of Vice-President was unanimous.

Both nominations for the position of Secretary were declined by those nominated. Celia Glantz was nominated in abstention. The nomination was seconded. The vote of those present at the meeting for Celia Glantz was unanimous. In event she was unable or declined to serve, Kyoko Brogdon was unanimously elected alternate Secretary.

The vote of those present at the meeting for Charles Ross for the position of Treasurer was unanimous.

All officers of Atheists of Florida were elected to serve until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

The President made a motion that expenses for lunch for the entire Board be covered by the organization. The motion

was seconded. The vote of those present at the meeting was unanimous.

The President then adjourned the meeting for lunch.

Following lunch, the President brought the meeting back to order.

A motion was made to grant chapter status to the members of the Tampa Bay region. Having met the requirements of ten or more members of Atheists of Florida from that area, the Board approved chapter status for the Tampa Bay area members.

Discussion of the geographic area to be covered by the Tampa Bay Chapter was agreed to include Sarasota, Clearwater, Saint Petersburg, and Plant City.

The President announced that he had sent correspondence to Tallahassee requesting clarification of the requirements for formation of additional chapters of Atheists of Florida, Inc. He was sent the exact same applications used to originally form the organization, including production of bylaws and a charter. Mark Trop was asked if the corporation would be legally required to duplicate this process for the formation of each chapter. The question arises of what risk the parent organization is exposed to as a result of the activities of chapters. Mark Trop opined that none of the chapters should form under the Bylaws of Atheists of Florida,

Inc. Charles Ross made a motion that we form a more centralized organization that would not incorporate the chapters. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed. Charles Ross will investigate what licenses or permits are required to accommodate the motion.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that Atheists of Florida, Inc. would join the Atheist Alliance.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that all receipts of funds for memberships or donations will be sent to Miami to be deposited in the Atheists of Florida, Inc. bank account. All expenses incurred by any chapter will be reimbursed by the Treasurer upon receipt of proper verification of the expense.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Board resolved to hold a convention in St. Petersburg for 1993.

It was also motioned, seconded and carried to hold the convention on the weekend of January 9th - 10th, 1993.

Discussion was held of the Miami Book Fair. The President observed that the fee for a table is now \$300. A motion was duly made, seconded and carried that Atheists of Florida will not participate in the Miami Book Fair and will instead utilize the funds for production of flyers describing and promoting the atheist philosophy and the organization.

The President announced that the former Miami, Florida chapter of American Atheists had over \$6,000.00 in its bank account when the Murrays fraudulently absconded with the funds from the chapter bank.

It was motioned, seconded and carried that Atheists of Florida, Inc. send a request for the return of the full amount of the seized bank account to American Atheists on Atheists of Florida, Inc. stationery.

Discussion was held to produce a 30-minute cable television program on a schedule of one program per month with production to alternate between Miami and Tampa.

Discussion of publicity of Atheists of Florida, Inc. was held. It was agreed that the organization should utilize free advertising available in any newspapers including university newspapers.

It was agreed that the organization would produce a T-shirt with the Atheists of Florida, Inc. logo on the front. The shirt will be advertised in the newsletter and sold to raise money for the organization.

Discussion was held regarding the formation of chapters at the college level.

It was agreed that we should attempt to communicate with the authors of editorial letters in newspapers who demonstrate a consistency with our philosophy.

A motion was duly made, seconded and carried to fund a small amount of T-shirts as described above.

A motion was duly made, seconded and carried to allow paid advertising in our monthly newsletter. A business card size advertisement will be available for \$50 a year, based upon our anticipated production schedule of ten newsletters per calendar year.

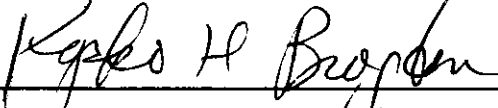
Discussion was held regarding the establishment of an Atheists of Florida, Inc. Legal Fund. A motion was made, seconded and carried to establish such a fund and promote its funding in the organization's newsletter.

The President demonstrated a toy truck which is steerable by a standing child. Mr. Tzanetakos explained that he intended to locate a manufacturer who would produce and distribute the truck and, upon successful marketing of this toy, he would donate 20% of any profits he received to the Atheists of Florida, Inc. Scholarship Fund.

It was agreed that details about additional funding and proposals for distribution of the funds of the Atheists of Florida, Inc. Scholarship Fund would be discussed at the next annual Board Meeting.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

DATED this 9th day of August, 1992.

  
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Secretary of the Meeting