

## TVS-AIHA Meeting Minutes April 6, 2006

Attendees Jennifer Brown, Don Westbrook, Carlene LaScola, Susan Blackburn, Harry Pullum, Wyman Nettles.

Minutes from the January 18, 2006 meeting were accepted.

Financial Report – Wyman presented the report. Total funds are \$17,848.56.

Programs (Don Westbrook) – The next teleweb conference will be on Cost Effective Ergonomics, May 11 (changed to May 10), at the Sagebrush Restaurant. There are several teleweb conferences planned for this year as lunch meetings. Lunch meetings seem to be better attended than dinner meetings. We're thinking about a teleweb conference on third party liability for Construction Safety and Health if there is enough interest. Also available are Biological Monitoring and Bioaerosols. Also discussed a CIH prep course; there are 15-20 people interested. UNC offers a discount if 1 or more attend in Chapel Hill; they will also come here, but it is fairly expensive. Also considering a local study group. The E.A.R. seminar, which TVS-AIHA co-sponsored, was attended by 182 people, and was very interesting and informative.

Membership. –Voted in two new/renewed members; C. Gary Davidson, Shaw Environmental and Infrastructure, and Raymond Peters, Safety and Ecology Corporation.

Government Affairs- Harry Pullum handed out a summary sheet. Included were: finalization of OSHA hexavalent chromium standard; confirmation of Edwin G. Foulke as secretary of labor for OSHA; most dangerous industries in 2004, and OSHA regulatory agenda. The summary will be posted on the TVS-AIHA website.

Newsletter – The Feb/March newsletter has gone out. Please continue to submit articles and support Janet in her efforts.

Website The website has been submitted for the Local Section website award. The award is announced at (or before) the AIHCE in May. Jennifer is attending.

TN Safety & Health Congress will be held July 30-Aug 2. The exhibits start Monday this year. All three local sections want to participate in the booth. We'll have a give-away similar to last year, shared by the three sections. Charles will order the booth. Susan offered to design a banner, and Jennifer can have it made. Jennifer will also get frisbees and pens.

Leadership Conference Susan attended the Leadership Conference the first weekend in March. There was a good session on dealing with the media and a session on leadership of local sections. Much of it was geared toward the national organization.

Fall Conference Discussed possible PDC on Exposure assessment strategies conducted by Paul Hewitt. All were in agreement that this would be a good topic. Topics for the conference include, Safety for IH, Indoor air in space shuttles, Nanotechnology 2, Avian Flu and hexavalent chromium (Larry Verdere of Shaw may be able to speak on this).

AIHA Fellow Discussed possible nomination for a fellow award this year. We'll look at the criteria and discuss further at the next meeting.

Annual Dues Jennifer proposed that annual membership dues be increased to \$25.00. The board concurred, but a review of the bylaws revealed that an increase requires a vote of the membership. We'll plan to vote at the Fall Conference.

Next board meeting will be held July 13.