

TVS-AIHA Board Meeting Minutes - January 11, 2007

Attendees Jennifer Brown, Don Westbrook, Carlene LaScola, Susan Blackburn, Charles Chapman, Gary Shrum, Dave McCurry, John Campbell, Emily Braswell

Minutes from the October 12, 2006 annual business meeting (during Fall Conference) were accepted.

Financial Report – Records are currently being transferred to new treasurer, John Campbell. Report will be posted on website. Kara Williams conducted an audit of the financial records; everything was in order. Susan wrote a letter to Bank of America requesting signature authority for her and John Campbell for the two accounts. (Previous authorities could not be found by the banking institution.)

Programs (Don Westbrook) – Don and Mark Smith have put together a proposal for 2007 which includes, two PDCs, three teleweb conferences, social event/tour (possibly Christmas time), golf outing and Fall Conference PDC. The AIHA teleweb on “Ergonomics-The Workplace and Aging”, is planned for late Feb. Discussed an electrical safety PDC, and the Board agreed to pursue it, possibly as a May PDC. Also agreed to include ASSE members in the mailing (as opposed to co-sponsoring the course). Sixteen attendees are needed to break even. Fall Conference speakers lined up are Don Hart (AIHA), Aaron Tripler, John Winkler (TOSHA) and Gary Shrum to speak on GHS. Possible PDCs include Ergonomics or Ionizing Radiation.

Public Relations - Board agreed to continue the booth at the Tennessee Safety and Health Congress. Don Blackburn is contacting area High Schools to find out when their Career Days are. Jennifer is conducting an IH presentation at Emory and Henry College in Virginia. Videos are available from AIHA.

Website - There is a new link to NIOSH stress management video. Let Gary know of any needed updates. (Following the meeting, Gary updated the membership application with the dues increase.)

Government Affairs - Harry Pullum submitted a report which will be posted on the web site. Susan will ask Harry about Title Protection.

AIHA Fellow - Applications were submitted for John Jankovic and Charles Phillips. We will pursue another one or two for submission this next year.

New Business – Discussed sponsorship of a student section. Susan will find out exactly what this entails. Also discussed student scholarships; we haven’t done this, but we have donated to AIHF. Since there isn’t a local program, it was agreed that sponsoring students for PDCs/Fall Conference was preferred. Discussed the idea of having members host students for the Fall Conference. Letters will be sent to schools with programs, and at least five students will be sponsored.

Board agreed to purchase a 96” screen for the Fall Conference and other presentations. One was rented for the last Fall Conference. Cost will be \$300-\$400.

Gary noted that committees named in the By-Laws don't match up with the current standing committees. It was decided that immediate changes were not necessary, but this could be addressed as other changes are needed.

Future meeting dates: April 12, July 12, Sept 13, Oct 11 (Fall Conference)