



Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association



Region VII Iowa – Kansas – Missouri – Nebraska  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**Region VII Board of Directors Meeting  
Teleconference  
June 12, 2009**

**Present:** Jon Alexander, John Izzolena, Dan Saathoff, Rod Swager, Randy Bickford,  
Randie Mendez, Tom Hauber, Greg Dew, Ray Magruder

**Visitors:**

**Absent:** Daniel Cruse, Matt Gaines, and Shashi Patel.

**Meeting brought to order by Chair Jon Alexander at 0805 hrs.**

**Welcome and Introductions – Jon Alexander**

There were no introductions necessary.

**April 30 and May 13 Meeting Minutes – Dan Saathoff/Randie Mendez**

No comments were made.

**A motion was made to accept the minutes by Rod Swager**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Hauber**

**Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions**

**Treasury Report – John Izzolena**

Chapter financial reports are available to any Chapter member upon written request to the Treasurer (Mr. John Izzolena) and during the annual membership meeting at the Regional Conference.

The May, 2009 Treasury report was reviewed by the Board, including the Financial Account Balances Report, the Account Activity Report, the Reconciliation Report, and the Business Checking Account Statement. Included in these reports were details of revenues, expenses, accrued earning and beginning and ending account balances for the month and third quarter.

**A motion was made to accept the Treasury Report by Randy Bickford.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Dew**

**Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions**

### **Committee Review and Assignments 2009/2010-**

The executive board reviewed the Committee Assignments and assigned a board sponsor. A list of committees and board sponsor's will be sent to all board and conference committee members.

**A motion was made to accept the Committee Review and Assignments by John Izzolena.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Saathoff**

**Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions**

## **Committee Reports**

### **Conference 2009 Wrap-up – Rod Swager/Randie M.**

Rod has filled out a survey from the Westin and gave acclamation to Kim Holland for a great job from her and the hotel staff. Gary Zelesky provided Rod with a copy of his newsletter in recognition to Region VII.

### **Comments/Evaluation Status - Dan Saathoff**

Evaluations and comments are in process of being documented.

### **Awards and Recognition – Dan Cruse**

Not Available

### **By-Laws– John Izzolena**

By laws were approved and signed at the conference in Kansas City.

### **Communications - Tom Hauber**

Website has been changed for the 2010 conference. Tom received photos from the Kansas City conference and will edit for website. Online storage- an external hard drive may be needed for document retention.

**Leader Articles – Rod S.** - will be updating the articles for "The Leader"

### **2010 Conference Planning: - Randie Mendez**

Randie has set a schedule for the road map to be distributed on July 1, 2009. The first scheduled meeting for the committee will be July 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **2011 Conference Planning: - Ray Magruder**

The RFP is still in the process of being evaluated for potential hotel sites in 2011.

### **Membership – Randy Bickford**

Membership is currently at the same levels. Randy plans to work with Rhonda at Rexam and the National office in the next month as time allows. An update will be given on progress at next BOD conference call on the 10th July. The new board members will be added to the contact list when the information is available.

**Mentoring** – Greg Dew

A list of attendees from the application workshop in Kansas City has provided future contacts for mentoring.

**Nominations** - John Izzolena

The Board positions up for election at this time are: Directors-at-Large #1 and 6. All the required paper work for nominations has been submitted. The nominees for these positions are Ryan Hubele and Kathy French. Region VII continues to search for a candidate to fill the Board position of Labor Representative from a Site with a Collective Bargaining Agreement. A letter will be sent from John Izzolena for confirmation of appointments.

**A motion was made to approve the nominations by John Izzolena.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Hauber.**

**Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions**

**Sponsorship** – Dan Saathoff

A list of sponsors for the 2009 conference will be generated and contact made for the 2010 conference in Omaha.

**Work Shops (Other than Conference)** – Rod S.

October 22<sup>nd</sup> is the date for Application Workshop at Monsanto. The Sustaining Star Quality (SSQ) workshop will be added.

**MEETING ACTION ITEMS**

A list of committees and board sponsor's will be sent to all board and conference committee members – Jon Alexander

Evaluations and comments are in process of being documented – Dan S

Receive photos from the Kansas City conference and will edit for website – Tom H

Road map to be distributed on July 1, 2009 – Randie M

**Old Business:**

VPP Annual Evaluation- Jon, Greg and Dan S.

**New Business:**

Region VII Breakout Session in San Antonio- Jon Alexander is open for suggestions for events at the breakout session. It is requested to confirm attendance to National conference to Jon Alexander.

**Meeting schedule:**

The next meeting will be July 10th, 8:00 by teleconference.

**Meeting Closure:**

**Motion made to close by John Izzolena**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Bickford**

**Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussion**

The meeting was adjourned at **0916** hours by Chair Jon Alexander.

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Randie Mendez*