



Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association



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

**Region VII Board of Directors Meeting  
Downtown Marriot-Des Moines  
November 12, 2010**

**Present: Jon Alexander, John Izzolena, Monty Gartin, Cody Patton, Tom Hauber, Greg Dew, Rod Swager, Randy Bickford, Jeff Klinksick, Dan Saathoff, Randie Mendez**

**Absent: Matt Gaines, Shashi Patel**

**Meeting brought to order by Chair Jon Alexander at 8:06 am.**

**Welcome and Introductions – Jon Alexander**

**October Meeting Minutes – Jon Alexander**  
No comments were made.

**A motion was made to accept the Meeting Minutes by Tom Hauber  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rod Swager  
Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions**

**Treasury Report – John Izzolena**

The October 2010 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.

**A motion was made to accept the Treasury Report by Dan Saathoff  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Klinksick  
Vote: Unanimous motion carried – No discussions**

## **Committee Reports**

**2011 Conference Planning - Cody Patton/Monty Gartin**

Cody has approached the Chase Park Plaza on requests that were made in lieu of vendor scheduled luncheon time. A discussion entailed as to when the vendors will have lunch before, during or in another area during the conference.

**Awards and Recognition – Jeff Klinksick/Mike Murphy**

All updates were made to the current (Scholarship and SAS) forms and were submitted to Tom Hauber for distribution on the website.

**By Laws** – John Izzolena

No revisions will be made to the by-laws for this calendar year.

**Communications** - Tom Hauber

Tom sent out information on the 2012 conference logo to the board members.

**Executive**- Jon Alexander

No Report.

**Membership** – Randy Bickford

Randy is currently working with the National office on the upgrades to their system to reflect the current members and non-members. Randy will contact Joe Mullen on formatting Iowa's list of members.

**Mentoring** – Greg Dew

Greg has sent an email to all the participants of the Application Workshop that took place on October 21, 2010 in Des Moines, Iowa.

**Nominations** - John Izzolena/Rod Swager

Mike Murphy has been nominated for the Chapter Board of Director At-Large 5 position. His company, Axcet HR Solutions, Inc., is a VPPPA Full Member.

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

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

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

**Sponsorship** – Dan Saathoff

Nucor Steel has submitted a monetary sponsorship. There have been 5 companies that have submitted sponsorship for the 2011 conference.

**Workshops** – Rod Swager

The workshops that took place in Des Moines, Iowa in October were a great success with a total of twenty nine attendees.

**Action Items** – All

The Leader article is due this month.

Communication with other regions in regards to email blasts for conferences.

**Old Business** –

2012 Conference in Des Moines- John I – A proposed contract will be submitted to CEM this week and will be reviewed for revisions.

Special Government Employees (SGE's) in Iowa – Approval from the Assistant Secretary of Labor has been given for Iowa to use SGE's.

2014 in La Vista contract proposal will be reviewed and CEM will be contacted to assist with this process.

**New Business** –

Invite National BOD to the 2011 Conference- Jon A

A decision will be made next week on the acceptance of the invitation

**Meeting Schedule:**

The next meeting will be December 10, 2010 in via teleconference.

**Meeting Closure:**

**Motion made to close by Randy Bickford**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Patton**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am on November 12, 2010 by Chair Jon Alexander.

**Respectfully Submitted by;**

*Randie Mendez*