



Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association



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

Region VII Board of Directors Meeting Teleconference September 10, 2010

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

Absent: Matt Gaines, Shashi Patel, Bob Shepherd, Randie Mendez

Meeting brought to order by Chair Jon Alexander at 8:04 am.

Welcome and Introductions – Jon Alexander

Jon and the other Board Members welcomed our new member Jeff Klinksick from Westar Energy.

August Meeting Minutes – Jon Alexander

No comments were made.

A motion was made to accept the Meeting Minutes by Randy Bickford Motion 2nd by Rod Swager

Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussions

Treasury Report – John Izzolena

The August 2010 Treasury report was reviewed by the Board. John provided updates on the investment options that were provided in the report via his e-mail.

A motion was made to accept the Treasury Report by Greg Dew Motion 2nd by Randy Bickford

Vote: Unanimous motion carried – No discussions

Committee Reports

2011 Conference Planning - Cody Patton/Monty Gartin

Monty discussed the WEICOa's National two day training summit and the learning's from the session. Monty found some useful tools to apply to the Region VII conference.

Awards and Recognition – Bob Shepherd/Jeff Klinksick

No Report.

By Laws – John Izzolena
No report.

Communications - Tom Hauber

Tom reported that several e-mail blasts have been sent out and he continues to make updates to the website.

Executive- Jon Alexander
No Report.

Membership – Randy Bickford

Randy reported there were no membership changes and added that networking at the National Conference went well.

Mentoring – Greg Dew

Greg reported that there was one match made in Kansas.

Nominations - John Izzolena/Rod Swager

Forms and letter templates have been revised, including election protocols and posted. Election ballots are done and ready to go. Nomination letters and postings are done and ready for January. Other communication areas are ready for 2012 elections. Drafts for business meetings are completed and ready for 2011 conference. Bob Sheppard has taken a new position with Clow Valve.

Sponsorship – Dan Saathoff

Sponsorship letters are ready to go out and on the website. Exhibitor's contract is ready to go. There was discussion about maintaining the same price structure from last year and is what decided that we would. Turbo Registration is a questionnaire for national concerning costs. Send out 1st page of letter to exhibitors.

Workshops – Rod Swager

Tom sent out an email blast on these meetings. For the October Board meeting, we will be staying at Marriott. How many will be attending? Jon will send out a note to the Board for making hotel arrangements.

Action Items – All

None to report.

Old Business –

2012 Conference in Des Moines – John I. is working with CEM on contract/Hotels.

SGE's in Iowa – Develop plan/Sub-Committee (will discuss at October's BOD meeting in Iowa). We're waiting on information from Assistant Secretary to move forward. Dave Neal has submitted the request and we are waiting for a federal response.

2014 in La Vista contract proposal – (On Hold).

New Business –

John Izzolena and Rod Swager discussed the Speakers showcase in Des Moines. Two speakers really stood out.

Meeting Schedule:

The next meeting will be October 22 and 23, in Des Moines.

Meeting Closure:

Motion made to close by Cody Patton

Motion 2nd by Randy Bickford

Vote: Unanimous motion carried – no discussion

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am on September 10, 2010 by Chair Jon Alexander.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Monty Gartin/Cody Patton