

AIHA/ DSS Board Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2006

La Place, LA

Meetings:

- The price for our next lunchtime meeting will be \$25 for each attendee.
- The board discussed the key points outlined on the agenda, and discussed asking KeanMiller Law Firm to present the October 2006 topic again at the AIHA/ ASSE joint meeting in January 2007.
- It was mentioned that LSU had a department of environmental studies, and that maybe the board could find a professor to give an interesting presentation.
- It was decided that we have speakers to present a topic within his/her expertise.
- Silton suggested that we attempt to have a December/ Holiday social this year.
- The first three meetings in 2007 will be:
 - Joint meeting with ASSE in January (topic will hopefully be the same as in October 2006)
 - Board meeting in February
 - Presentation on Blasting Media given by Eric Botnick

Scholarships:

- Wayne stated that he received one student applicant for the DSS scholarship/ award. Also, he has spoken with Fred Venable's daughter about
 - Management of DSS contribution to FSV investment fund
 - Offering the funds to students not attending either Tulane University or Texas A & M University
 - Transfer of administrative duties to the American Industrial Hygiene Foundation Graduate Scholarship Program
- After consulting with other family members, Fred's daughter will call Wayne to discuss changes.
- Wayne will meet with Steve Verret to transfer the FSV account access from Steve to Wayne.

Professional Recruitment:

- Joe stated that his mass email to national AIHA members who reside in La resulted in several responses.
- The national members who responded were added to the mailing list and a few of them submitted membership applications.
- Silton suggested that someone email national members every 6 to 8 months to help increase professional membership.

Communications:

- The board finished the calendar for 2006, and it will be posted on the DSS website a.s.a.p.
- Local section website: Yaisa looked at the 2005 winners of the National AIHA “Best Section websites”. She suggested that we DSS add a picture archives folder and a “members’ corner” folder to our website.
- Yaisa asked the board if there were any question, answer or discussion point that she did not add to the May 11, 2006 meeting. The board agreed that she did not need to add to the meeting minutes.
- Yaisa followed up with members’ suggestions of topics for next year, received in the surveys from earlier this year. Those topics included nanotechnology, the new hexavalent chromium standard and the industrial impact of a bio- terrorism attack.
- Chris suggested that Yaisa also email meeting notices to national AIHA members who reside in La.

Action Items:

- Yaisa will ask both Andry and Dr. Seidemann for short biographical sketches to include in the August 2006 meeting announcements.
- Eric will decide which Telewebs DSS will sponsor.

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