



AIHA-FL MINUTES

Fall Conference 2005

Attendees: Wayman Aldridge, Allan Schrieber, Sherri Nickell, Wendy Benison, Michelle Ruffini, Chrissy Jerrick, Karen Terry, Linda Boehmer, Banks Clark (for Ken)

Start Time: 12:35pm, End time: 1:40pm

Old business

President's Report: Allan thanked everyone for helping out as much as they have in the last couple months. He spoke about his 5 prong approach to improving the Florida AIHA section. Wayman is going to begin working on the mentoring program. As far as communications, Dave has gotten 3 newsletters out in the past 6 months and we are going to work on another by January 1, 2006. The association involvement is on the rise with everyone actively recruiting. The teleweb technology is still in the making. Lastly, the Spring conference will be held in Tampa and will be a joint meeting with the local ASSE chapter.

President Elect's Report: Sherri talked about her brochure and how she tried to highlight benefits of being a member, goals and objectives. Her efforts in the membership drive; she would like to target outdated members that have become inactive, and also the 167 non local members but national members.

Past President's Report: Wayman was pleased with our attendance at the conference and especially pleased with the speakers. The spring 06 conference is scheduled for March 23-24th at the Embassy Suites. Wayman asked for anyone who would like to present. As far as mentoring, he would like to reach out to high schools for judging science fairs. There is a fair in Brevard County Feb 9-10, 2006 that he would like us to participate in. He would also like to update the bylaws, and warned the members that we would be voting on them in the near future.

Treasurer's Report: Michelle went over the proposed budget. The current balance in our account is \$10,505.33. The new Pay Pal system is set up and she gave the "directions" to all the members present.

Secretary's Report: Chrissy spoke about any changes to personal information to contact her and to pass on the website address to other interested Industrial Hygienists in Florida.

Director's Report: Karen asked the members if they enjoyed the PDCs, and all the members nodded with enthusiasm. She reached out to the members for topics and speakers for the spring conference PDCs.

Wendy thanked all the vendors for such a great turn out at the conference. She also introduced Linda Boehmer who will be helping out with aligning the vendors.

Allan spoke in place of Dave Silver: New newsletter out in hope by January 1, 2006. Asked members to contribute articles.

Website – Chrissy spoke about the new website. Job posting are posted for free as long as they tell her when to remove them. Upcoming conference information will be posted. Conference presentations will also be posted on the website for member utilization.

Governmental Affairs: Ken has shifted responsibilities to Banks Clark. Banks commented on how Aaron has been helping us. The mold bill 513 was vetoed. The task force met 6 times. He also commented how we should maybe add a “chat” section to the website for updates on the bills.

Tom Hethman updated the members on the AIHA foundation. It was founded in 1981. There are 16 professional that volunteer on the board. They have given 310 scholarships totaling \$775,000. There is an annual “Fun Run” to raise money. There is a box to check on dues to help out. Currently FL-AIHA donates \$500.

Old Business

Finance committee: The financial records were reviewed by a CPA. The results of the review were excellent.

Goals: Increasing communication, 2 successful meetings per year, website, newsletters and getting teleweb. John Smyth will work on the teleweb in the next 6 months.

New Business

Gave the AIHA foundation \$500. Questions regarding the amount were discussed and it was concluded that \$250 would go to the Red Cross Katrina fund, and \$250 would go to the Rita fund.

Elections will be held in the spring. Paul Osley and Brian Burke were nominated for incoming president. Jamie Pool and Greg Oblom were nominated for the Director of Professional Development position. Bart Geyer and Albert Barren were nominated for the Director of Communications position. All will need to submit their bios by the end of January.

Chrissy will make an announcement to the other ASSE local sections for the upcoming conference.