

AIHA – Indiana Section Board of Directors August 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: J. Beltz, C. Malahek, A. Szentes, and T. Pettit

Location: Squealers at 5515 86th Street

Minutes from last meeting: Meeting minutes will be copied to all members of the board.

Value of Local Section Membership: Discussion tied into next topic

Increase Membership/Attendance/Participation: All agree that we are more concerned with attendance. All agreed that everyone on board should contact at least 2-3 people who may have an interest in attending the meetings. Other ideas suggested included having a raffle or drawing to win prizes at the meetings, getting members involved with small projects, specially recognizing members for new positions, publications, etc, having an idea box for topic ideas and potential speakers at each meeting.

Website:

- ❖ **Board Member info – OK?** - All info of meeting attendees is ok. If corrections are needed, let John know.
- ❖ **Application** – The application process will be changed to a printable format to be sent in with payment instead of an electronic format since there is presently no way of paying electronically.
- ❖ **Newsletter** – All agreed to table for now due to lack of time and resources. Amy will think about pursuing.
- ❖ **Job Postings** – All agree this is a good idea. John will check on how to get this accomplished.
- ❖ **Membership Tab** – This section has information and a membership application for interested parties to become members.
- ❖ **Other?** – Pictures of events can be included. A website links page to list resources will be added. Tina will work on list. All members email Tina a few of their most valuable websites. All agreed to not use company/commercial sites.

Goals for 2006-7: Primarily increasing attendance! We would like to see at least 25 at every event/meeting. Let's get people interested and involved! Other Goals discussed included: one full day PDC which is being worked on; obtaining speaker and topic ideas from all attendees at the beginning of each event/meeting via index cards; having a meet and greet at the beginning of each meeting.

Meetings for Section members/guests:

Dates for Fall:

- ❖ September 14th (tentative) Dinner - IDLH Development and Use – Location tbd by Dorothy.
- ❖ October 12th Dinner – Hexavalent Chromium – Location tbd by Dorothy
- ❖ November 6th Full Day Conference – Post Disaster Planning / Business Continuity (Stacey working on contact at Lilly for a corporate perspective, Chris working on Hospital contact for public perspective, and Heritage has training course – talk to Bruce about potential consulting perspective or speaker.) RF/EMF Exposure Effects – Myths & Realities (Amy working on finding speaker) – Location tbd by Dorothy
- ❖ December 12th Lunch – Global Harmonization – Rick's Café Boatyard suggested. (Tina to get details to Dorothy about this and other suggestions.)

Other Upcoming EHS Meetings: (Announcements)

- ❖ INSafe Fall Conference – John indicated that we would cooperate with them.
- ❖ ASSE/Chamber of Commerce Spring 2007 Conference
- ❖ PCIH – Louisville in Fall 2007

Board Meetings – Frequency and Times: All agreed to have board meetings 1 hour prior to every meeting/event, i.e., dinner meetings starting at 6pm / Board to meet at 5pm.

Initiatives – Projects: The following projects were not discussed.

1. Investigate Indiana colleges/universities that have IH, safety, or affiliated programs in order to determine interest in AIHA Indiana and to develop an ongoing relationship with them.
2. Organize a team of IH's and make appropriate contacts to speak at middle and high schools about a career in IH (presentation on CD for this is available).
3. Develop more formal relationships with regional affiliated health and safety organizations (chapters) such as ASSE, occupational physicians, and occupational nurses.
4. Develop a legislative review committee to review and comment on potential or pending Indiana legislation relating to industrial hygiene and safety.

Next Board meeting: September 14th, 5 pm prior to IDLH Presentation.