

## **USCHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

CONFERENCE CALL

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

The USCHI Board of Directors held a teleconference meeting on Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 2017. President Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM CST. Board members present were President Taff Hughes, Vice President Greg Thurman, JC Schemper, Mark Anderson, Glen Jantzen, Morgan Crabtree, and Operations Manager Mandi Sieren. There were no guests present.

### **AGENDA**

Was reviewed by all. Taff Hughes would like to add VENDOR OF THE YEAR to new business. Mandi would like to add SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES to unfinished business. Morgan Crabtree moves to approve the agenda with additions and seconded by JC Schemper. Motion carries unanimously.

### **MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 6, 2016 minutes were reviewed by all and there were four changes made. Under DARREN WICKS/EDWARD JONES, Greg Thurman would like to strike the word right and add the word correctly. Under BYLAW COMMITTEE, Taff Hughes would like to strike the last part of that sentence and add the words discussion tabled until Wednesday, Dec 7th. Under CONVENTION 2017, Taff would like to change the last sentence first word to Mark instead of Greg. Under CHAMPS, JC Schemper would like to add an f in front of the word or to make the word for where the words 20 years are read. Greg Thurman moves to approve minutes with corrections and seconded by Morgan Crabtree. Motion carries unanimously.

Wednesday December 7, 2016 minutes were reviewed by all and there were no changes made. Greg Thurman moves to approve minutes and seconded by Morgan Crabtree. Motion carries unanimously.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

After discussion, Greg Thurman moves to approve and seconded by Glen Jantzen. Motion carries unanimously.

### **OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mandi reports that she continues processing convention registration and 2017 dues. She reports that we have 116 associate and 135 members registered for convention and has made 752 badges thus far. She says that NAWG will be donating \$1,000 back to USCHI when their year starts over in July. For next month, she will be doing membership cards and certificates, updating merchandise inventory, processing all convention money and bills due for comparison report and look into Grand Island things for convention 2018. She wants to discuss accounts receivable and see what our views are on getting those paid. Discussion leads to thinking we have made good progress on cleaning this up and be aware of who owes USCHI in the future.

Jon Orr joins the meeting at 7:17 AM.

Monty Dunn joins the meeting at 7:20 AM.

## **2017 CONVENTION**

Mandi reports that she will refresh and print out a sheet for everyone on who they will be introducing at convention. Sent Trade Show maps to all Board members and sent everyone a schedule of events. Says she is getting a lot of volunteers for registration and has the USCHI booth covered. However, she is still looking for more volunteers for the kids events. Mandi tells the board their arrival dates for convention and their departing dates.

## **COMMODITY CLASSIC**

The dates are set for March 2-4, 2017 in San Antonio, TX. Discussion leads to sending JC, Greg, Morgan and Monty.

## **NAFB DIRECTORY ADVERTISING**

After discussion, the consensus leads to not advertise in the directory.

## **NCAE ANNUAL MEETING**

The dates are set for February 9-12, 2017. There is a lot of discussion and meetings on H2A labor rules and regulations in Washington DC. We will send three people as this is very important to our organization. Taff says he can go and take Mark and maybe a new board member. There is discussion on taking four board members so we can split up into two groups if meetings overlap during the day. Discussion leads to booking four rooms and we will talk about what four will go at the post-convention meeting in Omaha.

## **VENDOR OF THE YEAR**

Discussion leads to giving this award to Kelly Kravig with Case IH. Greg Thurman makes the motion to award Kelly Kravig with Case IH as vendor of the year. Morgan Crabtree seconds.

Carlene Schemper joins the meeting at 8:01 AM.

## **SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

A lot of discussion on correcting guidelines. The scholarship committee should be more globally diversified. The board thinks that we should bring up this committee in the state meetings at the convention to get one volunteer from each state. The board thinks that we should have this announced at the Thursday supper that we will be looking for committee volunteers at the state meetings.

Next meeting will be a preconvention meeting in Omaha on January 18<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM.

Morgan Crabtree moves to adjourn at 8:15 AM. Seconded by Mark Anderson.

JC Schemper, Secretary