

USCHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

CONFERENCE CALL

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

The USCHI Board of Directors held a teleconference meeting on Tuesday, the 13th of September 2016. President Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00 AM CST. Board members present were President Taff Hughes, Vice President Greg Thurman, JC Schemper, Mark Anderson, Glen Jantzen, Morgan Crabtree, Monty Dunn and Operations Manager Mandi Sieren. There were no guest present. Board advisor Jon Orr joined at 6:06 AM

AGENDA

Was reviewed by all. It was requested that 2017 budget be added to new business and that convention volunteers and trailer will be added to unfinished business. Monty Dunn moves to approve the agenda and seconded by Mark Anderson. Motion carries unanimously.

MINUTES

August 9, 2016 minutes were reviewed by all and no changes were made. Greg Thurman moves to approve minutes and seconded by Monty Dunn. Motion carries.

TREASURERS REPORT

After discussion, JC Schemper moves to approve and seconded by Greg Thurman. Motion carries unanimously.

OPERATIONS MANAGERS REPORT

Mandi reports that she has been working on speakers for convention. She has been working with Nebraska research, Ag in the Classroom and has kids and women's events lined up for convention. She has 5 sets of furniture for seating during convention. Has been processing vendor registration and working on merchandise orders. She has reserved rooms for Greg, Mark and Glen for November 9-11th for NAFB.

2017 CONVENTION

Mandi will order 300 of everything for registration packets. USCHI board request that she gives away cookbooks and belt buckles with registration. The zipper bags will be sponsored by Ag Insurance and Degelman will sponsor the lanyards. She will be ordering shirts for convention here shortly. Hot Springs will have a booth at the convention. Also commented on safety day.

AMARILLO HOTEL CONTRACT

There will be a 3 night minimum instead of 4. The staff rooms we reserve will have a \$6,000 down payment due April 1st 2017. The board would like to table this to next month's meeting.

CDL RESTRICTION, 150-MILES, INTRASTATE

We have a member that we think received a ticket in Kansas that should have never been issued. The board will look for more information for next month's meeting. We now have an Oklahoma member that has a similar issue with this law for an 18 year old driving a CDL-required vehicle for a custom harvester crossing state lines.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

We have had a resignation from Cindy Crockett as chairperson. The board has ask Carlene Schemper to become chairperson again for 1 more year and she will accept. Thank you Mom!

HARVEST NEWS DISCOUNTS

There are some issues with these discounts. The board has deep discussion on this topic. Greg makes a motion and then withdraws his motion. The board tables this to the next meeting.

MELODY/LAMP PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

A report on the strategic plan was talked about. It has been adopted and introduced by Mark at the Ag Media Summit.

2017 TAX PLANNING TIMELINE FOR KCOE-ISOM

Whitney and Chris visit with the board with information for the upcoming year that could be different from last year. The board welcomes and appreciates the information given and will proceed with the new information.

CONVENTION VOLUNTEERS

After discussion there will be no rooms given to volunteers for convention.

TRAILER

Greg would like to have a meeting with JC, Morgan, Mandi and Taff at his shop to discuss what all needs to go inside of trailer and outside of trailer. He invites board members to be at his place 8 am Friday, the 16th of September.

2017 ADVERTISING BUDGET

Greg makes a motion to put a cap on advertising at \$28,000 for 2017. JC Schemper seconds and motion carries unanimously.

PAST DUE ACCOUNTS

The Board looks at a sheet provided by Mandi that states who all owes the organization money. The board will help Mandi resolve some of these problems she is having with collecting money by making some phone calls.

2017 BUDGET

The board discusses the end of fiscal year and dates.

Next meeting will be October 11th 2016 at 6 AM CDT

Motion to adjourn at 8:19 AM by Morgan Crabtree, second by Monty Dunn.

JC Schemper, Secretary