

**THE PESTICIDE STEWARDSHIP ALLIANCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 22, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Liza Fleeson at 2:10pm MST

**ROLL CALL**

A quorum was present. (Board members underlined) Derrick Bell, Wayne Buhler, Rob Denny, Marty Fitzpatrick, Allan Hovis, Kevin Neal, Liza Fleeson, Nancy Fitz, Don Mullins, Carol Ramsay, Jack Peterson, Joe Hoffman, Roger Springman, Margaret Jones Joyce Harris, Vince Hebert

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the February 10, 2009 Board of Directors meeting were not available for approval. This was tabled for the next meeting.

**STATUS OF 2009 CONFERENCE**

Liza explained that the conference registration box had not arrived but that it should be in the next day. TPSA had contracted for 195 rooms and had booked 274 rooms. There are 28 states represented at the conference and 7 countries. There are 111 attendees including speakers.

Carol reported the food for the conference was set including vegetarian meals and Rob Denny graciously offered his if another was needed.

There was some discussion about how many drink tickets would be given to guests at the receptions and it was determined that two would be sufficient.

Liza also advised that the Tuesday night off site event would consist of two choices Church Street Café or St. Claire Winery/Bistro. Sign up sheets would be available at the registration desk.

**ELECTION REPORT**

Kevin advised the election was going smoothly and that the voting would close at noon the following day. At that point the ballot box would be collected and he and Margaret Jones would count the ballots. The results would then be presented to TPSA President (Liza Fleeson) in a sealed envelope as per policy. Liza would then announce the new board members at the members meeting on Monday.

Liza advised that she would mention that the election was still open until noon during her opening remarks on Monday.

## **SILENT AUCTION REPORT**

Jack said he had received 28 items for the silent auction and that he had posters to recognize the donors.

## **BUDGET PLANNING 2009**

Topics of discussion centered around how much to spend on individual projects and how does the Board decide who gets the funding. It was then determined that this is something the new Board will have to determine early on in 2009.

## **2010 CONFERENCE REPORT**

Kevin reported to the Board that there are three locations that have submitted bids to host the 2010 TPSA conference. They are Portland OR, Destin FL, and Savannah GA.

There was some discussion about the possibility of partnering with Resource Recycling for the 2010 conference.

Liza advised that she has been in contact with Mr. Jerry Powell of Resource Recycling but has not received an answer from him as to when or where they would be holding their next conference nor did she know when she would hear.

The Board determined that they would make a decision in a special meeting after the members meeting on Monday. The Board wanted to get a feel from the members as to where they may like to go for the 2010 conference.

Nancy advised that some of the plastic recycling people have not been attending the TPSA conference as it is the same week as the Resource Recycling conference. There was some discussion as to how many people this affected but it could not be determined.

It was also discussed that there needed to be more involvement by the BOD/TPSA members as conference committee chairs and committee members to assist with the planning of the 2010 conference. The board felt that it was really too much work for one person to handle it all however commended Carol Ramsay for her superb efforts in doing so.

## **POLICIES REPORT**

Kevin reported that there did appear to be one policy up in the air that being the Sponsorship Policy 9.0. The policy had been re-written/amended to include three (3) levels of sponsorship rather than two. It appeared that the policy 9.0 had not been voted on. Rob requested that this be put on the agenda for the March meeting when the board members would have an opportunity to review the policy prior.

## **INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE**

Don discussed the Triple Rinse Program for undeveloped countries the goal being to provide instructional brochures.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Roger made several points

- getting the web site up to date and keeping it that way
- the possibility of paying someone to keep the web site up to date along with other duties related to content particularly with regard to the period of time between conferences.

Vince suggested an organizational structure chart of TPSA be added to the web site.

There was also discussion to retrieve and include original files from past TPSA meetings on the website. These are considered to be a valuable resource by many as it reflects the history and development of the organization.

It was generally conceded that the TPSA web site needs updated and a mechanism put in place to keep it that way.

TPSA Board reviewed the by-laws regarding Board member inactivity, a motion was made by Marty Fitzpatrick and seconded by Wayne Buhler then by unanimous vote the current container recycling board member was removed to be replaced by appointment as soon as possible for the remaining year of the term.

There was some discussion about the possibility of the Board/Officers meeting at least once possibly twice prior to the next conference. The feeling was that it appears that much more work gets done when meeting face to face.

## **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next board meeting will be either the week of March 9, 2009 or March 16, 2009. An e-mail will be circulated to determine availability of members.

## **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Marty Fitzpatrick moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by all. All were in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned

[Submitted by Kevin Neal, February 27, 2009; Approved March 12, 2009]