



2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2014 – 1pm – 4pm PST
The Catamaran Resort Hotel & Spa,
3999 Mission Boulevard San Diego, CA 92109

Board Present:

Scott Birchfield – Pesticide Industry,
Bryan Gran – Environment/Public Health – Chairman of the Board
Nancy Fitz – US EPA – ex officio
Jerry Krebs – End User
Ron Perkins – Container Management
Jeffrey Rogers - Government
Kristine Schaefer - Institution

Officers Present:

Ples Spradley - President
Jack Peterson – Vice President
Don Bradley – Treasurer
Pam Hodge – Secretary

Guests:

Derrick Bell, Membership Chair
Brian Bilyeu, Cropland Containers
Ed Cranson, J.R. Simplot Company
Paul Derig, J.R. Simplot Company
Liza Fleeson, Virginia Department of Agriculture
Joe Hoffman, Hazardous Waste Chair
Mike Kamrath, TRI-Rinse
Bonnie McCarvel, TPSA
Maria Mirsky, Mirsky Associates Inc.
Charles Moses, Nevada Department of Agriculture
Mike Porecca, National Container Group
Joe Wirth, Twin City Container

Call to Order

TPSA Board Chairman Bryan Gran called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm PST. Pam Hodge took roll call. A quorum of board members were present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business. Chairman Bryan Gran reminded everyone present to abide by the Anti-Trust & Fair Trade Practice Guidelines which TPSA had adopted as policy previously and were included with the board meeting notice.

Approval of minutes

Minutes from the November 14th, 2013 meeting were presented. Bryan Gran asked for approval of the minutes as provided to the board and officers. Scott Birchfield made a motion to approve, Kristine Schaefer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

McCarvel reported that the vote, conducted via email on the 2014 budget in December, had been approved by the entire board.

McCarvel also reported that the vote, conducted via email on the continuing with the current Board of Directors and Officers through February 4, 2013 had been approved by the entire board.

Treasurer's Report

Don Bradley presented the current status of the TPSA 2013 Budget. Attendees were given a copy of the balance sheet. The finalized budget will be presented to the new board by March 2014 after final expenses from the annual meeting to be processed.

Kristine Schaefer moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Scott Birchfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Annual Conference: Nancy Fitz reported that approximately 156 attendees were signed up for the Annual conference with 37 States being represented, 10 attendees from Canada, and 1 from New Zealand.

Registration for the conference indicated that 16 new companies are now members with TPSA.

A Committee was formed to review the fee schedules and provide guidance for a restructuring of the fees to ensure future sustainability of the Annual Conference. Current fees as policies are placing a hardship on the budget and sustainability of the event.

Jack Peterson, Don Bradley, Jeff Rogers and Nancy Fitz will comprise of the committee with assistance from operations manager Bonnie McCarvel. The committee will have a proposed updated structure in time for the mid- summer meeting to present to the board.

Elections & bylaws committee: Jack Peterson reported the new "restated" by-laws were approved by a vote of the membership the end of November. The current Board of Directors would continue to hold their appointed positions through the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

President Peterson reported the election results as follows:

One year term:

1. President	Jack Peterson	Arizona Department of Agriculture
2. Vice President	Mike Kamrath	Tri-Rinse
3. Treasurer	Don Bradley	Olympus Seed Treatment
4. Secretary	Pam Hodge	Wilbur-Ellis Company
5. Immediate Past Pres.	Ples Spradley	University of Arkansas

Two year term:

6. Board of Directors	Scott Birchfield	Pesticide Industry (Syngenta Crop Protection)
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7. Board of Directors	Ron Perkins	Container Mgmt. (Ag Cont. Recycling Council)
8. Board of Directors	Mike Porreca	Environ./Public Health (National Container Group)
9. Board of Directors	Carli Lofing	Waste Management (Montana Dept. of Ag.)
10. Board of Directors	Vacant	At Large position

Continuing to serve the second year of their term:

11. Board of Directors	Jerry Krebs	End User (TKI)
12. Board of Directors	Jeff Rogers	Government (Virginia Dept. of Ag.)
13. Board of Directors	Kristine Schaefer	Institution (Iowa State University)

Ex-Officio of BOD

Nancy Fitz	US EPA
Bonnie McCarvel	TPSA Operations Manager

Director at large: With the approval of the restated by-laws a Director at Large position was created, but there was an error in seeking nominations for that position. Gran reported he had contacted legal counsel and that the new bylaws allowed the new board of directors to fill the vacancy or could leave it vacant. Since the new Board of Directors will not take over until the conclusion of the annual meeting this position was not put up for a vote at this time. The new board will review and determine how to proceed.

Affiliations: The by-laws state that no more three (3) people from any single affiliation will be able to serve on the board to ensure a balance of the board and its interests. The board would like to update the information asked of the membership to designate a primary affiliation and a secondary affiliation (if applicable) to further assist in developing the best tools and information to better serve the membership. Derrick Bell, Jack Peterson, Scott Birchfield and Bonnie McCarvel will research this information to present at a future meeting.

Communications:

Kristine Schaefer presented the poster that was developed for TSPA. 2014 goals include continuation of updating the website, public announcements to further our exposure of TSPA, and media regarding plastic and film recycling. Other topics for media communications include Personal Protective Equipment, Drift Management as well as a media push explaining what TSPA is and what it does for the industry. Along this line a full page add was published in Crop Life recently.

Nancy Fitz reported the container recycling web site reference page is near completion. A disclaimer will appear on the website to ensure all users of the information are to vet out the companies listed and ensure that they meet the requirements of the regulations as this TSPA will not be responsible for this.

Nancy Fitz also reported on the pesticide disposal database proposal for funding in 2014 by TSPA. Clean sweep programs have been one of the core responsibilities for TSPA. Nancy would like to see tracking information that would show how many states have programs, how much is collected and disposed of annually.

Membership: Derrick Bell; for 2013 TSPA had 106 members, for the year 2014 TSPA has 126 members.

- Goals for 2014 include the addition of primary and secondary affiliation for the membership.

- Have an indicator on the Membership form to indicate the membership year that is being purchased. Membership is not based on a 12-month purchase date but on the calendar year of the association
- Push to obtain membership from every state for the government agencies (DOA, University, EPA, etc

International Stewardship: Nancy Fitz presented the newest version of the brochure for Do Not Re-Use Pesticide Container project. The project was originally started in 2009, since that time many suggested changes have been made. Nancy is asking the Board to approve brochure and text for web page.

Scott Birchfield made a motion to change the wording on the second sentence of the back page from 'It is *especially* dangerous.....' to 'It is *extremely* dangerous....'. Kristine Schaefer seconded the motion, discussion followed. Motion carried.

Awards Committee: Ples Spradley received nominations for the four awards.

- Program innovation
- Member contribution
- Program excellence
- President's award.

Winners of the awards will be announced at Thursday's ceremony at conference.

Old Business:

None reported.

New Business:

Restated Bylaws Implementation - Jack Peterson reported the restated by-laws will entail significant changes to the policies. All old policies will need to be reviewed to determine their effectiveness and ensure there are no legal issues. This will entail small changes to many of the policies. Jack Peterson will be requesting help from board members for these revisions.

The other transition will be the change from a calendar year budget to a fiscal year. Auditor will come in to close out the 2013 books and the 2014 fiscal year will run from January 1 – August 31, 2014 and then start the new fiscal year on September 1, 2014 for a full 12 months. Now conferences in the future will occur in the same fiscal year as income and expenses for the conference.

2015 Annual TPSA conference is scheduled to be held in Savannah, Georgia, February 10th thru the 12th at the Desoto Hotel.

Adjournment

3:00 pm PST, Ron Perkins moved to adjourn the meeting, Kristine Schaefer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hodge, TPSA Secretary