

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

January 12, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Fred Gabriel at ~3:30 PM EST.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was not present. (Board Members underlined): Fred Gabriel; Marty Fitzpatrick; Rob Denny; Bonnie McCarvel; Liza Fleeson; Jen McLaughlin; Nancy Fitz; Joe Hoffman; Carol Ramsay; Roger Springman; Margaret Jones; Lois Levitan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 15, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting were not approved at this time, as there was not a quorum present. These minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORT

As of today, 83 members have renewed their annual membership. Currently seventeen individuals have registered for the 2009 Conference, nine of which are Speakers. 114 room nights have been booked at the Hotel Albuquerque. TPSA is contracted for 195 room nights. Bonnie will send a reminder email to the membership distribution list. As of January 8, 2009, the checking account balance is \$53,481.41.

2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- The conference agenda is nearing completion. Carol will update with the changes she has received including title changes to changes on the Ag Plastics agenda. Once these updates are made, Carol will forward the final version to Bonnie and Liza for further updates.
- Carol has added moderators that she thought would be available and appropriate to the sessions. Emails will be sent to confirm that these potential moderators. Fred has agreed to be a moderator for the hazardous waste disposal session.
- Cary Hamilton will work with Bonnie to determine what is needed for the onsite registration process. Bonnie will be shipping all of the paperwork and badges to the hotel in advance.

- Greta Goldenman has agreed to be the plenary speaker. Liza, Rob and Margaret will work on a topic for her to focus on.
- The Conference Board Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
- Transportation for the Tuesday offsite function will be handled by individual rental cars, or a few vans will be rented if required. This will be more cost effective than renting a bus. The estimated participation is currently 25-50 people.
- Carol and Cary will both be bringing the laptops and projectors. The screens and microphones will be rented from the hotel.
- Carol will work with Kevin on the conference menus and will circulate to the board for review.
- Roger submitted the nominations for awards to Liza and Fred. These were approved. Roger will work with Mirsky to get the awards made.

ELECTIONS/BYLAWS

The ballots were mailed out on January 5, 2009 on schedule.

2010 CONFERENCE

Liza spoke with Jerry Powell of The North American Plastics Recycling Conference to see if they would be interested in partnering with TPSA in 2010. He seemed very responsive to the idea. The group has not finalized the location, but they hold their conference in Florida. Kevin and Liza will continue to explore this option.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

An email will be sent to check availability for the next board meeting. Possible dates are the week of February 2nd and February 9th

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at ~ 4:45 p.m. EST.

[Submitted by Jennifer McLaughlin, February 8, 2009, Approved February 10, 2009]