

SCFIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR December 2, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 8:55 a.m. Present were Laura Gibbs, Arvin Turner, Geri Ward, Shelly Jenkins, Stella Rheinhardt, Cecilia Laija, Flo Johnson, Keith Levin and Sid Parsley. Christine McGuffee arrived later. Arvin and Stella approved the minutes from the October meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Shelly said we received the ballots and the sealed envelopes will need to be counted by two members appointed by the President. We should explore online voting if we're going to make changes to the by-laws. The by-laws would have to be changed to include other media than just voting by mail. Shelly will send an email to Dhali (webmaster) to see if he can set this up on our website. Otherwise, we can look into associationvoting.com or other websites that offer that service.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Flo provided the Treasurer's report. The conference registrations receipts totaled \$20,305, the conference sponsors receipts were \$5,350, the entertainment cost was approx \$2,500, golf receipts totaled \$2,600 and the vendors' receipts were \$10,600. SCFIAs overall total is \$36,878.83 in our savings and checking accounts. The charity amount total was \$1,455 for Girls Today Woman Tomorrow. We have not received the \$20/per attendee reimbursement for the completed the South Bay Forms yet. Sid and Stella accepted the Treasurer's report.

MEMBERSHIP

Sid Parsley volunteered to contact the expired members for renewals and try to retain and increase the membership during 2011. William "Bill" Antkiewicz was unanimously accepted for Lifetime membership. His status has been changed on our website. Dolores Faile had been accepted for Lifetime membership also and her status was also updated on our website.

3-DAY CONFERENCE

Keith said we need to start thinking about the 2011 keynote speaker. A few suggestions were, Mary Bono, Dave Jones, a Riverside County Sheriff, the Chief Investigator for 911, or a politician. Cecilia Laija, Keith Levin and Laura Gibbs are to follow-up.

Keith suggested we don't pay for the breakfast on Friday morning because it's difficult to estimate the number of attendees and the cost is too much. Instead, we'll do croissants and coffee.

Shelly suggested the membership chair add renewal forms and application forms to the member conference packets for those members about to expire or those non-members that attended. Sid suggested when the non-member conference application comes through to send an application by email too.

Shelly suggested we do a raffle prize during each session.

Keith suggested we drop one track, leaving two tracks.

Keith suggested we expand the time in between the sessions from 15-minutes to 30-minutes in case the speaker goes over and for raffle prizes, etc.

The Hotel charged \$50 for the extra companion meal instead of \$30 so we need to change that on next year's conference application form.

Shelly suggested we change the Board member Nominations and Elections to later in day, around lunch time, to get more people present.

Volunteers for next year's conference co-chairs are: Tom Derby and Bill Grace.

There were some complaints about the hotel, such as light bulbs, safes not working, sliding doors that didn't open, and water spots on the vehicles. We'd like to do the conference there in 2011 and have until February 2011 to sign the contract but we'd like to have these issues addressed and corrected. Should we survey the members/past attendees to get their opinion?

ELECTION FOR VICE PRESIDENT VOTE BY BALLOT

Skip Davidson and Dave Williams were nominated for the Vice President position for 2011. We received 128 ballots returned. The votes were counted and the winner was Dave Williams.

BY-LAW CHANGE REQUEST VOTE BY BALLOT

The By-Laws can be made amended only by a two-thirds vote of all ballots returned. There were 124 total ballots received on this by-law, 78 accepted and 46 declined. The total "accept" votes would have had to be 83. The by-law change request proposed (below) did not meet the two-thirds and therefore it cannot be adopted.

Current By-Law

*The Board of Directors shall be comprised of five members who will each serve a two-year term. **Three** of the five members shall be nominated and elected by the general membership. The other **two** members shall be appointed by the President. No fewer than three positions on the Board of Directors will be occupied by members from governmental agencies. In the odd-numbered years there shall be two members nominated and elected by the general membership and one shall be appointed by the President. In the even-numbered years there shall be one member nominated and elected by the general membership and one member appointed by the President. There shall not be more than one member from the same agency or business entity elected or appointed to serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. Elections by the general membership shall precede the appointments by the President. The tenure of those being elected and appointed will be specified prior to such elections and appointments. The immediate Past President of the Association shall serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors for one year following his term as President.*

Change Request Proposed

*The Board of Directors shall be comprised of five members who will each serve a two-year term. **Two** of the five members shall be nominated and elected by the general membership. The other **three** members shall be appointed by the President. No fewer than three positions on the Board of Directors will be occupied by members from governmental agencies. In the odd-numbered years there shall be two members nominated and elected by the general membership and one shall be appointed by the President. In the even-numbered years there shall be one member nominated and elected by the general membership and one member appointed by the President. There*

shall not be more than one member from the same agency or business entity elected or appointed to serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. Elections by the general membership shall precede the appointments by the President. The tenure of those being elected and appointed will be specified prior to such elections and appointments. The immediate Past President of the Association shall serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors for one year following his term as President.

MISC

A discussion about donating to Dave Williams' Jack Shrimp holiday event on 12/9/10 began and since it's a liability for our organization as well as the money doesn't go directly to a "charity" for tax purposes it's not reasonable to donate.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m., which was motioned by Laura and seconded by Stella.