



Sierra Nevada IRWA Chapter 46

Board Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2009

Attendees: Dana Abney, President
Kelly Hirning, Vice President
Patti Espin, Treasurer
John Dyer, Secretary
Heather Edmunson
Carol Buonanoma
Carolyn Carrica
Patty Paulson
Dave Vill

Call to Order

President Dana Abney called the meeting to order at 12:02. The meeting was held at TMWA's office. A quorum was present. Draft minutes for the previous board meeting of November 6, 2008, were presented and approved with modifications.

Officers Reports

Per Kelly Hirning, Vice President: The speaker for the January general meeting will be Mindi Casey of Southwest Gas. The topic will be Keyhole Technology

Patti Espin, Treasurer: Patti read the treasurer's report. \$4,400 had been received from International office for Class 100. The current balance in the CD was \$1590.00, and in the checking account \$6720.69. No payable bills were outstanding. On-line credit for Kelly Hirning had not been received. Patti received the 2008 tax forms to prepare. She will call on Fred Nasri as needed to complete them, which are due by March 15. She will report back next meeting on completion status.

Committee Reports

Education: Laura Sheline was not present and will be out for about 3 months. Carolyn Carrica will fill in for Laura.

Class 502 in March has only one registration, and may have to be canceled. Classes 802 and 403 are still scheduled for March. Class 900 will be canceled as there are too many scheduled between the various chapters. The SRWA class in December may be rescheduled later as there are several already available. There was discussion whether the upcoming 602 class could be paired with 604.

Carolyn believes that there are currently no RE certifications in place with the State of Nevada for IRWA courses. Each education chair of each chapter has to present the classes to the Nevada Board of Realtors and request certification. Very few responses were received from an earlier member survey for needed/desired IRWA courses. Carolyn will ask the again at the next general meeting.

Carolyn asks that all education inquiries be directed through her.

Membership: No new members. Doug DuBois has left his position at the Truckee Meadows Flood Project, as well as Nevada, returning to civilization in San Diego. Kelly Hirning will take his place for now. John Dyer needs to add Steve Hall to the reminder card mailing list. Kelly will continue to find out about the membership status of Nate Hastings and Kathy Renfrow.

Newsletter/Website: Carol Buonanoma will be preparing a Jan/Feb newsletter. Submittals, articles and general info are needed for the Nov/Dec newsletter, due by January 31.

Carol recommended that the newsletter be published on the chapter web page rather than be mailed out, due to printing costs. A motion was made, seconded and passed to implement Carol's suggestion.

There was discussion that some few members may still need a printed copy who do not have Internet access, and that some copies should be available at the general meeting.

Special Orders

Federal Agency Update Conference: Three chapter members will be attending on Jan 13 to 15, in Las Vegas. Dave Vill will provide a report.

Old Business

Membership incentives: After brief discussion, the board declined to consider further any incentives.

Children's Cabinet: Patty Paulson reported on the delivery of the gifts, food and cash to the adopted family. The amount of cash exceeded the \$200 goal.

New Business

Committee chairs: the President encouraged a more active role fro each committee chair. Specifically, Carol Buonanoma was asked to include in the newsletter a section with a message/news/updates from each committee chair, and ask each chair to provide something, however small.

Nominations and Elections committee: this committee includes Ann DeBolt, Patty Paulson and, in place of Doug, Heather Edmunson.

Anniversary Committees: Heather Edmunson and Kelly Hirning will chair the committee for the 75th anniversary of the IRWA (2009) and plan commemorative activities. Dave Vill and Kelly Hirning will chair the committee for the 50th anniversary of Chapter 46 (2010) and plan commemorative activities.

Announcements

Lunch for the next board meeting will be provided by Carol Buonanoma.

The location for the March meeting in Carson City is still under review by Kelly.

President Abney adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John Dyer – Chapter 46 Secretary