

# Pennsylvania Federation of Injured Workers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

11/18/11

**Call Meeting to Order** 11:14 AM

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America**

**Moment of Silence** – For our troops and those injured or lost their lives in a workplace accident.

**Roll Call of Board Members**

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| 1. Mike Kerstetter | 3. Bob Scholeck     | 5. Pete De Pietro |
| 2. Robert Snyder   | 4. Lorraine Farrell |                   |

**Roll Call of Guests**

1. Andy Ferrell

**Minutes from the 09/30/11 B.O.D. meeting submitted by Mike Kerstetter**

1. Motion to accept – Bob Scholeck
2. Motion to 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rob Snyder
3. Vote – carried

**Financial Report submitted by Mike Kerstetter**

1. Motion to accept – Rob Snyder
2. Motion to 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bob Scholeck
3. Vote – carried

**REPORTS FROM CHAPTERS** (Note: No longer than ten minutes)

1. Dauphin County Chapter:
  - a. No progress.
  - b. Financial discussion for the PFIW
    - i. PFIW now has only one bank account that will take care of all funds until the new Chapters get a bank account setup.
    - ii. Mike Kerstetter will look into setting up accounts with Credit Unions.
2. Lehigh Valley Chapter:
  - a. Bingo has slowed down some but is still paying the bills.
3. Berks County Chapter:
  - a. Look for new meeting location.
  - b. Send out postcards for a meeting once a new meeting location is identified.
    - i. Dr. Johns will be sent an invite for the first meeting.
  - c. Kate McCarney offered her office for a meeting location for the new Chapter.
  - d. Former Chapter Officers Ron Stabinsky and Bob Scholeck will setup a meeting for the Berks County Chapter.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Dennis Straub - Inspector General
  - a. The Board talked to a Representative of the Inspector General's Office and they are going to look into the fraud that Dennis Straub has perpetrated on the PFIW.
  - b. Once Pete De Pietro hears from the Inspector General's Office he will send out updates to everyone on the Board.
2. Media Hardware
  - a. Pete De Pietro will order the new media sign.
3. Berks Chapter Re-organization
  - a. Discussed under Chapter Reports.
4. Toll Free Number
  - a. Board members are asked to seek out a new sponsor for the PFIW toll free phone number.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. PFIW Election
  - a. Pete De Pietro announced he will not be running for any office on the BOD for the upcoming election.
  - b. Nominations will open around August of 2012.
2. Panel Attorneys
  - a. Mike Kerstetter will send out letters to the panel attorneys and ask them if they want to continue to be on the PFIW panel and request a new agreement.
  - b. All sponsors will be contacted to see if PFIW will continue to receive a donation and if not they will be removed from the PFIW website.
3. PFIW BOD Holiday Party
  - a. The BOD will hold a small party at the next BOD meeting. Everyone will be asked to bring something to eat for the party.

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

1. Open the meeting to the floor for discussion
  - a. Rob Snyder says we should make changes to our bylaws limiting the vote of new members and setting an attendance policy in order to vote.
    - i. Chapter members must attend at least 5 meetings before they are allowed to vote in a Chapter election of officers.
    - ii. Members must belong to a Chapter for at least one year before they can become an officer.
    - iii. Once someone is removed from the organization they cannot become a member again.
  - b. Pete De Pietro says we should start to work on the Injured Workers Memorial Day Event.
    - i. Mike Kerstetter will reserve the Capitol Rotunda for the event day.
2. Discussion of details for the next P.F.I.W. B.O.D. meeting.
  - a. Location: Lehigh Valley Chapter
  - b. Date: January 13, 2012
  - c. Time: 11:00 AM
  - d. The host Chapter will pay for the lunches.

## **Adjourn Meeting**

1. Motion to adjourn the meeting – Bob Scholeck
2. Motion to 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rob Snyder
3. Vote - carried

**The meeting for the PFIW Board of Directors adjourned at 12:37 PM**