

Pennsylvania Federation of Injured Workers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

09/30/11

Call Meeting to Order 11:21 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. Pete De Pietro | 4. Mike Kerstetter | 7. Jake Long |
| 2. Lorraine Farrell | 5. Ron Stabinsky | |
| 3. Bob Scholeck | 6. Robert Snyder | |

Roll Call of Guests

1. Andy Farrell

Minutes from the 07/08/11 B.O.D. meeting submitted by Mike Kerstetter

1. Motion to accept – Bob Scholeck
2. Motion to 2nd – Ron Stabinsky
3. Vote – carried

Financial Report submitted by Mike Kerstetter

1. Motion to accept – Ron Stabinsky
2. Motion to 2nd – Bob Scholeck
3. Vote – carried

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

1. Dauphin County Chapter:
 - a. No Progress on chapter setup
 - b. The Chapter bank account is no longer in existence since Wells Fargo bought out Wachovia.
 - c. New fees for account and Dauphin County Chapter will deposit monies in the B.O.D. bank account until the Chapter can meet the account requirements.
 - d. No nonprofit accounts are available anymore since the new banking laws took effect.
 - e. We will look into Credit Union
 - f. We want to request two signatures to write checks.
 - g. More research is required.
2. Lehigh Valley Chapter:
 - a. Bingo is still going good.
 - b. The Chapter just handed in a check for the memberships dues for the B.O.D.
 - c. Saturday is the Chapter Picnic at Louise Moore Park.
3. Berks County Chapter:
 - a. Lease for the Teamsters Hall has to be signed by the PFIW B.O.D. President.
 - b. We need to see when we can hold meetings. We were told no more night meetings.
 - c. Still waiting to find out if the CLC is available for the Chapter meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Dennis Straub
 - a. Pete received letters from the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development notifying us that the closeout report for the \$10,000 grant was rejected due to deficiencies and we were no notified that we were non-compliant. If we can give the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development the needed information we will be compliant and eligible for future grants.
 - b. Rep. Thomas R. Caltagirone should be investigating this matter since he gave Dennis the grant. Pete De Pietro sent Rep. Caltagirone a letter, on July 21, 2011, explaining the situation with the

- grant and explaining what Dennis Straub did by changing the name of our organization to his organization using our information to get qualified for grants from the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development through Rep. Caltagirone.
- c. A letter was sent to Bill Shappell the Teamsters President about the office situation and giving Ron Stabinsky the authority to sign the lease agreement for the office.
 - d. Ron Stabinsky said that he went to see Rep. Caltagirone about the grant mess and he was told that the Representative would look into it. This happened before any of the previous letters were sent out. Ron was told by the Representative that he spoke with Dennis and that all the proper paperwork was filed or being filed. Ron thinks that when the Representative put the pressure on Dennis about the non-compliance Dennis referred it all to Pete De Pietro and the Board of Directors.
 - e. This has to be cleared up because now the non-compliance has been blamed on the PFIW President and the Board of Directors.
 - f. Jake asked if Carl Dillinger was able to look into the grant mess. Pete said that Carl has been too busy with other issues for the PA AFL-CIO that he has not done anything on the grant issue for us.
2. Ken Kitay Resignation
 - a. Pete De Pietro will call Ken about being a panel attorney.
 3. HB808
 - a. No discussion.
 4. Media Hardware
 - a. Our portable sign needs to be replaced.
 - b. Pete did some research on the replacement and passed out some paperwork on the new sign. The price is approximately \$180. The B.O.D. has passed a motion to purchase a new sign. Pete will contact Carl Dillinger and see if he was able to get us a new sign and if not order the new sign from his union printer.
 - c. We will research a folding table sign.
 5. Berks Chapter Re-organization
 - a. Discussed under Chapter Reports.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PFIW Printing & Publications
 - a. We have no publications ready to hand out at any conventions we will attend. Pete will print up some stuff to add to what he already has.
2. Governors Occupational Health and Safety Convention
 - a. Motion to pay for Pete to attend the conference was made by Bob Scholeck.
 - b. Second to motion: Jake Long
 - c. Vote: carried
3. Toll Free Number
 - a. IWP was removed from the PFIW website as a sponsor since they are not going to continue to pay for the toll free phone number.
 - b. We need to seek out another sponsor for a toll free number. Board members will make contact with perspective sponsors and submit them at the next meeting.
 - c. We discussed about getting a cell phone but it would not fill our need.

GOOD AND WELFARE

1. Open the meeting to the floor for discussion
 - a. No discussion
2. Discussion of details for the next P.F.I.W. B.O.D. meeting.
 - a. Location: Tentative on the availability of the Teamsters Union Hall in Wyomissing.
 - b. Date: November 11, 2011
 - 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 2nd – Bob Snyder
3. Vote - carried

The meeting for the PFIW Board of Directors adjourned at 12:41 PM