

USCHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Conference call Wednesday June 8th 2011.

USCHI Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting, Wednesday June 8th 2011. Meeting was called to order at 6:00amCDT by president Tracy Zeorian, present were Vice president Kent Braathen, secretary Taff Hughes, Treasurer Jon Orr, board members Kirk Grove, Dean Karau and Roger Sammons, and Operations manager Pam Shmidl, also present were association members Jim Deibert, Ray Froese and David Anderson of Vincent Urban Walker insurance company, Larry Schroeder joined the call at 6:08 cdt.

AGENDA

Was reviewed by all present. Tracy safety meeting dvd be added under old business, and that Dave Anderson be added under new business to talk about business interruption risk insurance, she then asked we move Ray Froese, Jim Deibert and Dave Anderson ahead of all other business, Roger moved to accept the agenda with all additions, Dean seconded, motion carried.

MINUTES of the May 9th meeting were reviewed, and with no corrections or additions Kent moved to accept, Dean seconding, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Was given by Pam. Tracy asked about additional booth, badges after no further questions, Roger moved to accept, Kent seconded motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ray Froese,

Ray was present to talk to the board about the Federal lawsuit he is involved in being sued by a seed company, Ray asked for any help the board could offer, and also said he wanted to present his case to protect other harvesters in the future. Ray harvested some Tam 112 wheat in Texas in 2010 which was a new wheat protected and licensed to Texas A and M, Ray's customer sold some privately to individuals, and had Ray haul it to the seed cleaner, all involved were served suit by the seed company licensed to sell and who paid royalties on the protected wheat, Dave Anderson said he was following this and it looked interesting and dangerous, the first federal case of this nature, Roger voiced his concerns and insight into protecting our members for the future, Jim Deibert added he knew where a similar of a similar case between Agri pro and a Texas elevator. Tracy offered the only help we could provide was to put Ray in touch with some Texas law people the association worked with before, Ray said he was willing to present his story to the membership to protect anybody else the same fate and there was discussion to have a segment at next years convention, Jim Deibert thought he could contact some Agri pro officials to help.

Dave Anderson

Dave was present to talk about a real income protection plan he has been researching, after several calls from harvester customers this summer. There was a lot of discussion and interest, consensus was this would need a lot of work and not something that can be done for this season.

Jim Deibert,

Jim was present to talk about Conrad Weaver's documentary promoting harvesting, the harvester and their lifestyle, Conrad has been looking for support and sponsorship, Jim feels this is great deal to promote our industry and asked about the association helping to fund the project, instead of looking to others to always pay our stuff, Jim added he sees this a valuable promotion tool, and Conrad Weaver is

is a good genuine guy.

Conrad Weaver joined the call @7:00am cdt.

Conrad explained his project in further detail and the costs for major prime time television airplay,after further questioning and acknowledge of this being his biggest project undertaken,he explained his sponsorship levels,

\$5000	Bronze
\$10,000	Silver
\$25000	Gold
\$35000	Platinum

Jim Deibert added he would like to see uschi do a platinum sponsorship,Roger questioned Conrad on structure, and how much to get the project off the ground,\$10,000 was the reply,Conrad Weaver left the meeting at this point,Tracy suggested we donate \$10,000 to get going, Roger thought this yo be a good investment,Jon added Conrad was genuine and during the discussion he heard investment in our industry there has also been some interest shown by equipment manufacturers. Roger made a motion to donate \$15,000 for getting the project off the ground applied towards a platinum sponsorship by USCHI,Jon seconded motion carried with an unanimous vote.

Jim Deibert left the meeting @7:29cdt

OLD BUISINESS

Investment policy.

There was no new information to this topic presented,and was suggested to move forward to vote regarding all previous discussions. Roger moved we adopt the medium risk investment policy managed by the Edward Jones advisory solutions board,which is still in line with the conservative investment policy set by the USCHI board of directors, for both general and scholarship invested funds,Kirk seconded,motion carried.

FMCSA.

There was discussion on a comment period on some proposed changes and whether or not they were trying to classify tractors and combines as motor commercial vehicles,this was unclear Tom Yager's office are proposing the regulation therefore it wasn't thought they would try to consider equipment as commercial,Jon will contact his office for clarity,comment period ends June 30th.

Under same heading there was a discussion on American Trucking Association looking for support in keeping third party cdl testing centers open,some board members said they use these places,and it was decided Tracy will put together and submit a comment.

Fuel tank.

Jason Prokop from senator Nelson's office was looking for a clear definition of a custom harvester Tracy informed board she handled this.

Convention planning.

The big question from Pam was which day business meeting was to be held,Friday seemed to be a good consensus of the board,several board members showed interest in being more involved in planning the convention and it was was decided to have a special board meeting dedicated to this topic,meeting will be 22nd of June 2011 @6:00am cdt.

Wichita Kansas.

Pam reported on the home and garden show no longer being, and also talked with them about moving in equipment concerns and parking availability,this was tabled until June 22nd.

NEW BUISINESS

New phones.

Pam reported on the new system capabilities,like music whilst on hold looking for ideas to put on there or promotional message.

Relay for life.

Pam said her daughter was involved again this year with this cause and last year board donated \$100,Dean motioned to donate the same,Kirk seconded,motion carried.

Hutchinson police department

At Christmas time they go shopping for needy kids in town and are soliciting donations,after a short discussion of no exposure Roger moved to donate \$25,Kirk seconded,motion carried.

Hamil tornado relief

It was reported donations had come in this far in the amount of \$16,700,Tracy said she would be able to hand deliver a check to the Hamil's and asked if USCHI should donate,Tracy would deliver check this following week it was questioned how much more would be recived,Taff moved to round up the check to \$20,000 and anything donated above and beyond that be forwarded on,and for Tracy to present the check in person,Kirk seconded.

President Tracy Zeorian adjourned the meeting @ 8:05cdt

Next meeting July the 8th @6:00am cdt.