

WETA Board Meeting 05/10/06

Attended: Bob Evans, Tony Veeder, Irene Brenon, Jim Erlenborn, Marlene Duffield, Jon Danforth, Angel Rivera, Carol Burgett, Mike Krauss, David Skattum, Anita Ostergard, Mary Ratz, Arrionne Beecroft

I. Check in

II. Agenda Review

Add to Agenda 1) WETA Committees on Website 2) Changing Ex-officio to Former Presidents 3) 2007 Annual Conference.

III. Approval of Minutes

- No minutes from March meeting as snow storm prevented the full Board from meeting.
- Jim moves to approve the Executive Leadership Team meeting minutes from 03/16/06
- Angel Seconds
- Discussion: Mike Krauss asked that the spelling of his name be corrected for the final minutes.
- Vote – unanimous
- Motion passes, minutes accepted.

IV. Financial Update

There has been very little financial movement. The balance in our accounts (split between checking and a cd) is \$11,875.32. We have been getting money from membership fees and have spent approximately \$1300 on portfolio pads and pens for the conference. We will be spending some money on brochures to hand out at the Governor's conference and will be developing a brochure for the Identity Theft mini-conference.

-Tax Exempt Status- Jon and Tony continue to work on this. The process is long and the question was asked "is it worth it?" The consensus of the Leadership team is that it is. Jon and Tony will have more information on this topic at the next meeting. It was also suggested that Tony ask his friend, who is a lawyer, what he would charge to assist us in this endeavor. Tony said he would talk to him. **Will discuss at July meeting.**

-Membership fees/dues- the questions are should we raise the fee to belong to WETA. Right now the fees/dues are \$10.00/year and membership is good from annual conference to annual conference. If we raise them, how much? When would it take effect? If a member pays the dues before the next annual conference how long is that membership payment for? The Board discussed these items and moved that dues be raised to \$20.00/year and that the period between conferences would be used as the membership year. If you cannot attend the conference you can still re-new membership by contacting David. The Board also suggested that we add dates to the certificate to let members know when their memberships run out.

- Angel moved to accept
- Mike seconded

- Discussion – Jim asked that we amend the motion to begin the increase as of the next conference date 2006-2007.
- Dave moved
- Jon seconded
- No further discussion
- Vote – Tony opposed
- Motion carried

V. Training Session Update

- A decision was made to offer CCAP training in Manitowoc. It will be held on 06/08/06 at the Manitowoc Holiday Inn.
- Dean Nickel has agreed to present the mini-conference on Identity theft. Proposed dates are 06/21/06 in the Dells (possibly Chula Vista) and 09/13/06 in the Milwaukee/Waukesha area. Mary is also going to talk to Dean about presenting at the Wednesday pre-session of the WETA conference.
- Angel has not heard from Chad Ritchey regarding participation at the WETA Conference. The Leadership Team has decided to go another direction to be discussed under the 2006 Conference information.
- Art is interested in presenting the Grant writing mini again. Art and John will present this workshop in November at the Waukesha Technical College.

VI. Governor's Conference

- Jon does not think that the organizers of the Gov. Conference can legally hold WETA and other organizations financially liable for any loss that may be taken on the Gov. Conference.
- WETA will have a booth at the Governors Conference. They are only allowing vendors/exhibitors on Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- WETA did nominate an employer for the Exemplary Employer award. The company was Hanson and Rice, a construction company that was doing the construction on the Wal-Mart project in Beaver Dam. Hector Cortes from EATA will be going to the conference to present the award.

VII. Strategic Plan

- David moves to accept
- Mike seconded
- No discussion
- Vote – unanimous
- Plan accepted

VIII. WETA Pins

- The Board discussed ordering 500 membership pins and Tony moved to table the discussion regarding the ordering of pins for other years to the next meeting
- Irene seconded
 - No discussion
 - Vote unanimous
 - Motion carries

IX. 2006 Annual Conference

The Board discussed possible breakout sessions. Tony Dziedzic will present for us. LMI information is a possibility, Boomer generation workforce challenges, 30 ways to shine as a new employee, information on Vets programs, SSA Work Incentives, Refugee topics, Immigration. All were discussed as possible areas of interest.

Ed Duda has agreed to be a keynote speaker for Friday. Mary is waiting for a call from Nanette Vetsch to see if she will open the conference on Thursday.

Menu:

Fri a.m. – All American Breakfast

Thurs a.m. – Continental Fare

Thurs Lunch – OWN will choose

Thurs Dinner – Petit Fillet, stuffed chicken breast

IAWP will choose the hors d'oeuvres for the cocktail hour

X. Newsletter

The deadline for articles for the next newsletter is August 1, 2006 for distribution of the newsletter by the end of August.

XI. Website Committees

The Board needs to form a committee to develop a plan for which sub-committees are still needed. Mike, Jon, David and Jim will work on this. They will look at what committees we had in the past and will go from there.

We will also change the title "Ex-Officio" to Past Presidents on the website and the WETA Roster.

XII. 2007 Conference

Tony has heard nothing from WSSA. Mike is going to check with the Grand Geneva to see if they would still offer us rooms at State rate. Mike will also check with Wausau. The Board will have to decide the location of the 2007 conference soon if we want to announce at the October Conference.

XII. Future Meetings

Next meeting Thursday, July 20, 2007 from 12:30-3:30 at the Dane Job Center
Thursday, September 21 in Manitowoc 10-1:30 (go through lunch)

The Executive Leadership Team will no longer be meeting in the mornings prior to the full Board meeting. Should an issue exclusive to the Leadership Team arise we will use email, conference calls or call a meeting.

Mike moved to adjourn

David seconded

Unanimous Vote

Meeting adjourned