



NORTH CAROLINA

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Board Meeting - July 14, 2008 – Conference Call

Minutes

Present: Margo Pinkerton (President), Dan Routh (Membership Chair), Scott Lessing, Charlie Brown (Secretary), Ray Strawbridge (Ex Officio), KC Ramsay

Absent: John Pagliuca (Vice President), Chuck Edgerton (Treasurer), Michael Mauney

Call to order by Margo at 5:15

Review of Mission Statement by Margo

Review of Minutes from previous meeting by Charlie Brown. Attendees correction: Michael Mauney WAS in attendance. Moved approval by Dan, second by Scott. Approved unanimously.

REPORTS:

Membership: Dan Routh: 90 members in State Chapter. 14 new members since the first of the year. Most are Emerging Associates. One General member (Alan Calhoun). Margo suggested that new members be contacted by Dan and that we attempt to learn their motivation for joining.

Committees:

Newsletter: Margo reported that a printed newsletter is not required per National. Website and BLOG are sufficient. General consensus that a printed newsletter is not necessary.

Web: Margo thanked Scott for recruiting Paul Jackson to assist.

Programs: Margo reported that she is recruiting members for the committee and has gotten agreement from KC, and Charles Gupton and is working on additional members. Goal is for board members to oversee committees but not run them. Ray

reported that Jack Reznicki will be presenting on September 9th at Randolph Community College.

Special Projects: Charlie Brown reported on the third in a series of projects ongoing in Raleigh. "The Color Yellow" is a broad assignment in which participants will capture their interpretation of yellow. Images will be submitted as digital files with optional prints brought to the meeting. Food and beverage will be shared at Charlie's studio where images will be reviewed and discussed. Charlie commented that these projects are successful when participants share openly and help each other improve.

ASMP Possible Programs: Margo read a list of options. Looking for programs for Fall of 2008 and Spring and Fall of 2009. Blake Discher is set up for November 6th, 2008 for "I stink at negotiating". The hope is that RCC can host on that date. Margo hopes to get Bob Krist here at some point. Margo will distribute the list of potential programs to board members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Position of Secretary: Charlie has resigned as Secretary but will remain on the Board. National confirms that the Board may bring on a new member without a general election. Dan moved election of KC. Scott seconded. Election was unanimous.

Number of Board Members: Margo noted that the number of ASMP North Carolina Board Members is currently unlimited. National has suggested a fixed number. Margo asked KC to contact National for an interpretation of our by-laws. Ray suggested that the by-laws are standard and are probably on-line.

Cash on Hand: Chuck Edgerton provided a Treasurers Report in advance by email. There was some discussion of the amount of funds that need to be spent by the end of the year. Through discussion it was noted the anticipated expenses will cover or exceed the amount that must be expended. That leaves a balance that might be invested in a CD, etc. Margo asked for discussion of a potential donation to the legal fund. There was general support for the idea as long as the bulk of the funds are used to "jump start" the Chapter. Dan suggested that the item be tabled until Chuck can participate in a future meeting. Margo suggested that Chuck be asked in advance for an opinion with an expectation that he report back at a future meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 27th at 4 PM in Greensboro at Dan's studio is set as the tentative date, time and city and location. Thursday will be an alternate if Wednesday does not work for those not in attendance for today's meeting. The group will go to dinner afterwards.

General Discussion: Margo suggested some sort of survey on the type of programs that would attract members to a meeting. KC will investigate adding other questions to the

regular lunch meeting reminder. Margo suggested tying into the National email system. Pete Dyson at National is the contact person. Ray expressed an interest in ASMP/NC making regular communications with the membership.

Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:20.

Respectfully submitted

KC Ramsay, Secretary