

Minutes
Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council
March 9, 2006
Farm Bureau Building
Indianapolis, IN

Dennis Meredith called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Farm Bureau Building in Indianapolis. The following individuals were present:

Rick Ainsworth, Farm Bureau Insurance
Bill Field, Purdue University
Meggie Foster, Department of Agriculture
Mac Legault, Indiana State University
Dennis Meredith, Precision Alliance Group
Rusty Shade, Transition Resources Corporation
Bob Sunman, Retired (Rural Health)
Santiago Tijerina, Transition Resources Corporation

Minutes of the January 26, 2006 meeting were approved as distributed.

Mac reported that Ernie is moving the Council's account to Indiana State University Credit Union. He will be putting excess balances into a higher earning C.D.

Dennis reported that Brock/Chorettime will host the 2006 Ag Safety and Health Forum in Milford, Indiana. The date remains September 13, 2006. Rusty Shade indicated that there is a conflict with a national event for migrant farm worker educators. The time will be 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The focus will be on hazards around stored grain and include a tour of facilities.

A discussion took place on how to get the Council's coloring books out to the migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families. Transition Resources Corporation will explore possible strategies.

Mac Legault brought the participants up-to-date on their proposal on roadway safety. Their proposal was submitted to the Great Lakes Center at Ohio State.

Bill Field reported on an effort to develop language for a Council sponsored endowment Rick Ainsworth suggested that we approach Lilly about matching the Council's endowment funds. A committee was appointed to set up a endowment plan to include Bill Field, Ernie Sheldon, and Mac Legault.

Rick Ainsworth distributed a draft for an updated Council Award's Program. He suggested that we review it for corrections. A motion was made to approve the document for implementation with editorial comments.

Bill Field will contact Michelle Wallpe about the newsletter and the need to have one to promote the Forum and Awards Program.

A general discussion took place on how to promote the forum and how to get the right people there.

The next meeting was scheduled for April 25, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at Farm Bureau.

Submitted by,

W.E. Field
Secretary