

Minutes
Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council
February 25, 2009
Indianapolis, IN

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Chaudion at 12:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Insurance Building in Indianapolis. Those present were:

Rick Ainsworth, Farm Bureau Insurance
Anna Ariens, Executive Director, Indiana FFA
Lisa Chaudion, Indiana Young Farmers
Bill Field, Purdue University
Wayne Newhart, Retired
Ernie Sheldon, Indiana State University
Santiago Tijerina, Transition Resources
Roger Tormoehlen, Purdue University

The minutes of the August 11, 2008 meeting were approved by voice vote.

Ernie Sheldon distributed a Treasurer's Report. There was a discussion related to the annual summary of financial activities. It was noted that statewide REMC had not paid their sponsorship for the Ag Safety and Health Forum. Ernie will follow-up.

Rick Ainsworth moved that a payment of \$5,000 be made to Purdue to cover council-related expenses. Seconded by Ernie Sheldon. Bill Field will provide a letter requesting the payment.

The Treasurer's Report was approved contingent upon an annual audit.

Bill Field moved that the officers remain the same for 2009. Seconded by Rick Ainsworth. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President: Lisa Chaudion
Vice-President: Anna Ariens
Secretary: Bill Field
Treasurer: Ernie Sheldon

Bill Field will send out a 2009 membership application to everyone on the list. Bill encouraged everyone to join this year.

Ernie will arrange to file the annual report with the Secretary of State.

The 2009 State Fair exhibits were reviewed. They will include:

1. Grain bin safety display in Young Farmer's Building

2. AgrAbility display in FFA Building/Tug-a-war
3. Student grain safety and Arthritis and Farming display/Farm Bureau Building (contingent upon confirmation with Farm Bureau)

There was concern raised over lining up an adequate number of volunteers to staff the exhibit due to the increased length of the fair.

Anna Ariens moved that the Council support students enrolled in their senior design project at Purdue up to \$500 to build a display on grain bin safety for the fair.

Anna and Wayne Newhart will talk about the possibility of having an electrical safety display in the FFA Building at the State Fair. The Council will consider sponsoring some of the costs for the exhibit.

The decision was made to not host the Ag Safety and Health Forum in 2009.

Bill Field made a motion to support the Indiana Young Farmer's Association with \$400 for their annual convention. Attendance at this event is approximately 150. Roger Tormoehlen seconded the motion was passed. The Convention brochure will identify the Council as a sponsor.

Lisa brought up the National FFA Convention and that it would move to Louisville in 2012. The dates for this fall's Convention are October 21-24.

Lisa discussed the possibility of having the Council sponsor an ad in the FFA Impact, Indiana addition. Lisa would explore the possibility of having several smaller ads rather than one large ad.

Bill Field reported on the status of F.R. Willsey Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Ernie Sheldon requested sponsorship of a student fund raising event at Indiana State. Proceeds will go to support student attendance at the ASSE meeting. Roger moved that the Council support the effort in the amount of \$200. Seconded by Rick Ainsworth. Motion passed.

The next meeting was set for April 9, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Farm Bureau in Indianapolis.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Submitted by,



W.E. Field
Secretary