

**Minutes**  
**Indiana Rural Safety & Health Council**  
**November 16, 2009**

Lisa Chaudion opened the meeting at 3:00 p.m. with the following individuals present:

Rick Ainsworth – Farm Bureau Insurance

Anna Ariens – Indiana FFA

Lisa Chaudion, Indiana Young Farmers

Bill Field, Purdue University

Roger Tormoehlen – Purdue University

Minutes of the July 23, 2009 were approved without changes.

There was no Treasurer's Report due to the absence of Ernie Sheldon, the Treasurer. Bill Field will follow-up with Ernie to get a report for attachment to the minutes.

There was a discussion on the need to have an insurance policy to cover board exposure to liability associated with Council-related activities. Rick would look at the cost of a Director's Liability Insurance policy.

Lisa Chaudion presented a request that the council support the Annual Young Farmer's Convention. Bill Field moved that the Council provide \$400 in support. It was seconded by Rick Ainsworth and passed by voice vote. The funds will be to support the organizations safety education programming.

The 2009 Agricultural Safety and Health Week media event was reviewed. It was a successful event with respect to the amount of media exposure given to farm safety. There were at least a dozen print and electronic media stories released as a result of the event.

Lisa led a discussion on upcoming events that the Council could participate in that would increase public awareness concerning the agricultural safety problem. Events could include:

- 2010 Indiana Safety and Health Conference, March 1-3, 2010
- National Agricultural Safety and Health Week, September 19-25, 2010

Bill Field will follow-up on the Indiana State and Health Conference in March to explore avenues of participation.

It was agreed that the Council would host a media event during the 2010 National Agricultural Safety and Health Week, September 19-25, 2010. An actual date would be set later.

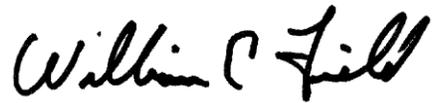
Lisa brought up the need for certification options for high school agricultural education students. Could the Gearing Up for Safety curriculum be used to provide certification for students? The council would provide third party testing at sites across the state for a fee. This topic would be discussed at future meetings. Roger and Bill would submit a proposal to

Department of Education to present the Gearing Up for Safety curriculum as a certification option for secondary ag students.

The next meeting was scheduled for January 19, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at Farm Bureau Insurance Building. At that time officers will be confirmed for the coming year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William C. Field". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "W" and "F".

W.E. Field  
Secretary