

**SCHC Board Meeting
February 19, 2004**

ATTENDANCE:

Board of Directors:

Present

Michele Sullivan - Chair
Bob Skoglund – President
Denese Deeds - VP
Anita Knight - Secretary/Treasurer

Ann Brockhaus
Donna Edminster
Angenette Grant
Len Hong
Pam Kreis
Dan Levine

Absent:

Pat Dsida

MEETING OPENED

M. Sullivan opened the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the January 15, 2004 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded Dan Levine and Denese Deeds, respectively, to accept the minutes as amended. It was approved.

1. Spring Meeting

Per an e-mail from L. Chaplin regarding registration for the Spring meeting; 68 have registered for meeting.

According to D. Eisner, Arrangements chair, room reservations are at 80%.

Registrations for courses are acceptable. All courses advertised will be held since total number of attendees exceeds the minimum cut-off.

Following discussion it was agreed that Bob Skoglund would draft a note to the membership for distribution by e-mail encouraging members to register for meeting and/or courses.

2. Possible US Senate Hearing on MSDSs

M. Sullivan reported that Senator Enzi (R-Wyom.) may be calling a hearing on the effectiveness of MSDSs. The issue was initiated by Mr. Ron Hayes of NACOSH. Senator Enzi's office has contacted Mr. Tom Grumbles, president of AIHA, about this issue. Mr. Grumbles, in turn, indicated that the SCHC was the appropriate organization to contact regarding MSDSs. Although SCHC has not been contacted at this time, the Board discussed how SCHC might participate and serve the interests of its members. Motion: Form an ad hoc committee to develop text if invited to appear at the hearing. The committee would circulate draft testimony to the Board members for comments. D. Levine put forth the motion; it was seconded by P. Kreis.

The ad hoc committee will be chaired by M. Sullivan. Other members are B. Skoglund, A. Brockhaus, D. Deeds and J. Gillick (SCHC counsel).

3. AIHA & OSHA Alliance

M. Sullivan met with T. Grumbles, president of AIHA. They discussed coordinating efforts regarding Globally Harmonized System (GHS) training. AIHA has capabilities to set up training video. Both groups agreed that there may be a need to charge a small fee to trainees in order to cover costs. However, OSHA has expressed some concern at this. This will be pursued further with OSHA.

Any training plan/script developed by SCHC will be reviewed by J. Gillick (SCHC legal counsel).

OSHA confirmed that they sent an abstract to the National Safety Council regarding a presentation on GHS in September 2004.

4. Financial Work Group

B. Skoglund reported that the group is still reviewing information and forward its recommendations to the Board for review in New Orleans.

5. Program Update

A. Brockhaus had requested that the Program Committee chairs distribute the preliminary agenda for the Fall Meeting to the Board. Some comments were made.

A. Brockhaus agreed to follow-up on program title change for K. Heddrick's talk

6. Other Business

A. Knight raised the question of record retention. Due to the time, the discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

A. Grant indicated that she has drafted a letter to send to retiring members. It has been forwarded to S. Steinhauer, chair of Membership.

B. Skoglund indicated that the deadline for participating in the poster session has been extended.

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Next meeting is Monday, March 22 at 1 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Pamela Kreis

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Acting Recording Secretary